

Senior Year

Post-Secondary Planning



NHHS School Counseling Department
2015-2016

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Important Information for
Completing Applications

School Address:

North Haven High School
221 Elm Street
North Haven, CT 06473

School Phone Number: 203-239-1641

School Counseling Department Fax Number: 203-234-8316

CEEB/High School Code: 070570

Date of Entry:

The date you started at NHHS (for most it will be Sept 1, 2012)

Graduation Date: June 09, 2016

Class Rank:

Available in your Naviance account by September 30, 2015

Class Size:

GPA:

4.0 Weighted GPA for Common App; 4.33 Weighted GPA for other applications

Important Dates for 2015-2016

2015

September 3	Registration Deadline for October 3 SAT
September 16	Open House 6pm
October 9	Registration Deadline for November 7 SAT
October 28	Financial Aid Night/Funding College 6:30pm
November 1	Typical Early Action/Early Decision Deadline
November 5	Registration Deadline for December 5 SAT
December 10	Last day to request college transcripts for processing prior to December vacation

2016

January 1	Begin FAFSA submission
February 1-5	AP Exam Registration
May 1	Deadline for colleges to receive deposit
May 2-13	AP Exam Administration



College Application Process

STEP 1 – Set Up Common Application Account

Common Application

- Many schools utilize this one site for submitting an application. If a school accepts the common application, it is advised to apply via this method.
- Goto www.commonapp.org and register for an account
- Create a **User Name** and **Password**
- The email associated with your Naviance and Common App account **MUST BE THE SAME.**
- Students must complete the FERPA waiver. This is found by adding a college to your Common App Dashboard. Click on any college in your list. Click 'Recommenders and FERPA'. Click 'release authorization'. Complete the form as indicated. We recommend you 'waive your rights to review recommendations'.

Step 2 – Update Email and Link Common App with Naviance

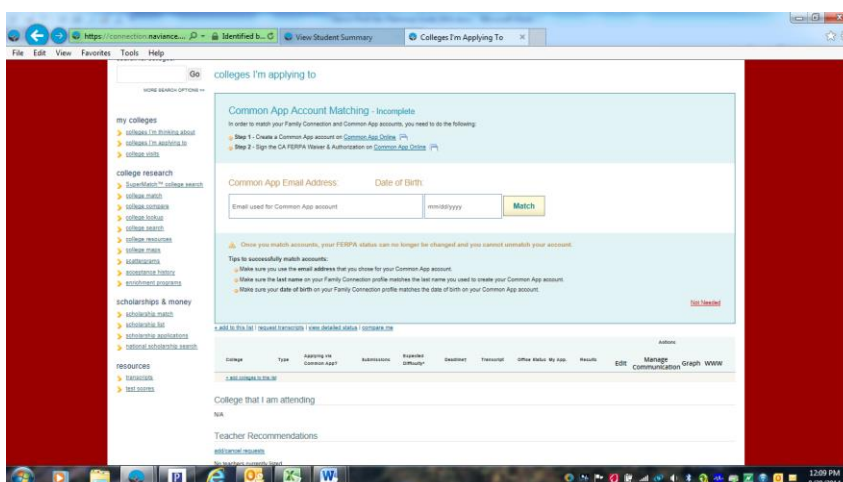
In Naviance

1. Update Email

- Go to <https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=northhavenhs>
- Click **About Me** tab
- Click **Profile**
- Click the **Pencil Icon**. Update your email address. Common Application (CA) users must use the same email associated with their accounts.

2. Common App Account Matching Field

- Enter the email you used in creating your Common App account to match the accounts



Step 3 – Add Colleges You Are Applying To

Converting ‘Colleges I’m Thinking About’ to Active Applications - Naviance

- Click on the **Colleges** tab
- Click **Colleges I’m Thinking About**
- Click the **check box(es)** next to the colleges you wish to convert
- Click **Move to Application List**
- Select how you will be applying (i.e. Regular Decision, Early Action, Rolling, etc.) and **click the ‘request’ box**
- Click **Add Applications**

Applying to Colleges - Naviance

- Click the **Colleges** Tab
- Click **Colleges I’m Applying to**
- Click “**+add colleges to this list**”
- Select “**Application Deadline Type**”
- ‘Lookup’ the college you would like to apply to
- Click the box for **Request Transcript**
- Select how you will be applying from the drop-down menu

Step 4 – Request Teacher Recommendations

Adding Teacher Recommendations – Naviance

Please ask teachers in person for recommendations prior to adding them to your Naviance account. You must add them in your Naviance account. Additionally, Naviance and Common App will only send the number of recommendations allowed by the college. Please be mindful of how many teachers you ask. Two or three (max) is appropriate. If your teacher is mailing a recommendation directly to the college please provide them with an addressed and stamped envelope.

- Ask Teacher for recommendation
- Click **Colleges** tab
- Click **Colleges I’m Applying To**
- Scroll to the **Teacher Recommendation** section
- Click **Add/Cancel Requests**
- Select a teacher from the drop-down menu and add a note to the teacher if desired
- Repeat for all other teacher requests you have made

Step 5 - Complete Your Resume in Naviance

Resume

- Click About Me tab
- Go to Resume
- Add categories using the drop-down menu

Step 6 – Send Test Scores

Send SAT Scores: Go online to www.collegeboard.org and make sure you have sent your scores to each college that requires them. It may take three (3) weeks or longer for colleges to receive your scores. Please plan ahead.

Send ACT Scores: Go online to www.actstudent.org and make sure you have sent your scores to each college that requires them.

Step 7 – Submit Transcript Request Form

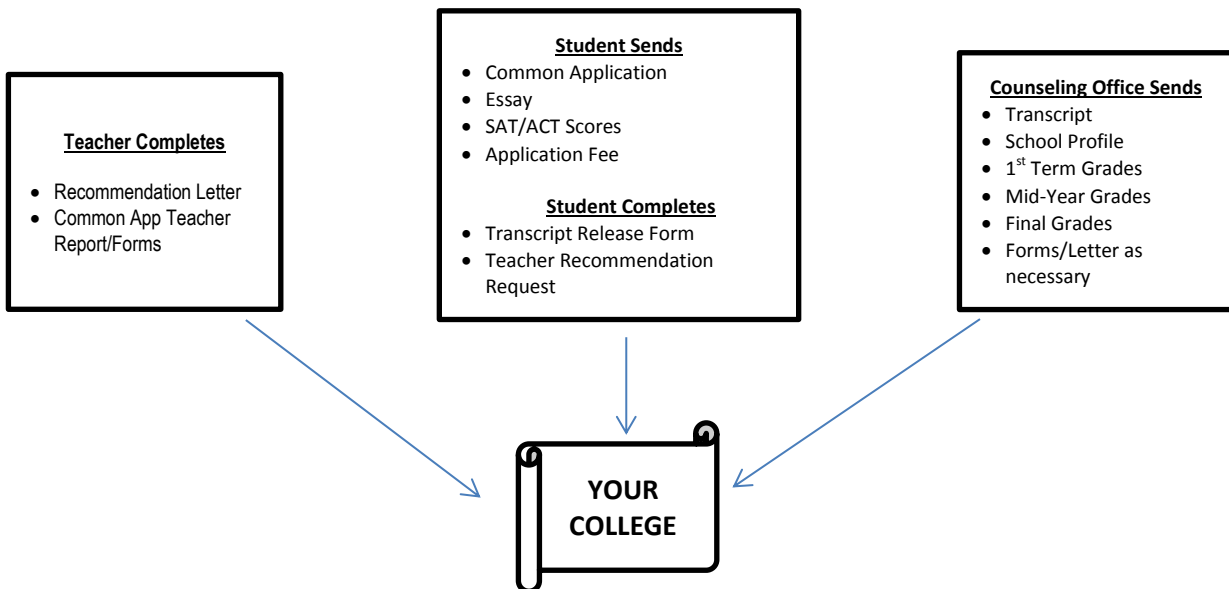
Transcript Request Form:

Complete the NHHS Transcript Request form included in this packet listing the colleges you are applying to and submit to Mrs. Bimonte-Ferrull in the School Counseling Department. **TEN school days are required** to process transcript requests. A list of deadlines can be found on page 9 of this packet.

NCAA Division I or II Eligibility: Students wishing to play Division I or II athletics must file online with the NCAA Eligibility Center at www.eligibilitycenter.org. SAT scores must be sent directly from the College Board to the Eligibility Center. The NCAA code is: 9999

Please return the following forms to the School Counseling Office:

- Transcript Release Form
- Teacher Recommendation Survey
- Counselor Recommendation Questionnaire (if appropriate)
- Envelopes and stamps (if appropriate).



College Representatives Visits

North Haven High School students are provided opportunities to meet with college admissions representatives at various dates and times in the Career Resource Center (located in the School Counseling Department). In the early fall, watch for postings in Naviance under the 'Colleges' tab for dates and colleges who will be visiting. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about and demonstrate interest in a college. Register to visit with a representative in your Naviance account.

College Application/Process Assistance

A school counselor will be available each day (in October and November) during block 2, in the Career Resource Center to provide additional support with the application process and problem-solve any difficulties you are having. Sign up in the School Counseling Department. You may also make an appointment with your counselor.

College Application Fee Waivers

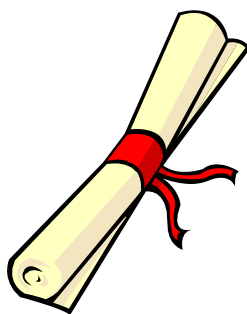
Students who utilized a College Board fee waiver when taking the SAT will receive four (4) application fee waivers directly from the College Board. Some colleges may accept a different fee waiver request. Please see your counselor if you feel application fees may prohibit you from applying to college.

Financial Aid

Our Financial Aid/Funding College presentation will be on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 6:30pm at NHHS. Mr. Charles Wareham of Valark Financial Services will review all aspects of the financial aid process. Please go to fafsa.ed.gov for information about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The CSS Profile, an additional form that is required by *some* colleges, will be available online October 1. Keep an eye on financial aid deadlines set by each college.

Scholarships

During the school year the School Counseling Department receives information on many of scholarships available to students. A list is maintained in Naviance as well as in hard copy in the office.



DEADLINE DATES TO REMEMBER

College and scholarships adhere to deadline dates. Students risk being left out of consideration for admission or scholarships when they fail to get necessary materials in on time. NHHS requires a **10 SCHOOL DAY** timeframe to process transcript requests. In order to assist you in your planning, below is a guideline for request submissions.

*College or Scholarship Deadline:	Your request <u>must</u> be in to the SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT by:
October 16, 2015	October 1, 2015
November 2, 2015	October 19, 2015
November 16, 2015	October 30, 2015
December 1, 2015	November 13, 2015
December 15, 2015	December 1, 2015
**January 1, 2016	December 10, 2015
**January 15, 2016	December 23, 2015
February 1, 2016	January 15, 2016
February 17, 2016	February 1, 2016

* If you have a college with ROLLING admission, please submit your **Transcript Release Form** to Mrs. Bimonte-Ferrull as soon as possible. This admission type allows schools to make decisions as soon as they have all of your materials. Apply ASAP!

****January deadlines** for submission of transcript requests to the School Counseling Department are early due to the December vacation. Please plan ahead!

School Counseling
Senior Recommendation Questionnaire

1. What four words describe your personality? Consider your attitudes on school, friends, self, and future.

1.

2.

3.

4.

2. A. What have you done in the past 4 years that you are most proud of?

B. Describe a specific instance/provide an example of something you did in high school that made a difference to you.

3. What do you consider your greatest strengths?

4. What do you consider your greatest areas for improvement?

5. Has any circumstance interfered with your academic performance? (after school job, illness, parental pressure, English not spoken at home etc.)

6. What activities outside of school do you enjoy? What activities would be important to continue in college?

7. If you could live through your high school years again, what would you have done differently?

8. What type of person would you like to become?

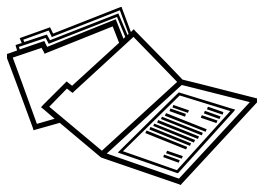
9. How would someone who knows you well describe you? Do you agree?

10. What are your future career plans? (if unsure please list a few activities or interests that you have-I like to paint, I like to write, I like to shop, etc).

11. What would you most like the college admissions committee to know about you?

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM PROMPTLY
WITH THE TRANSCRIPT RELEASE FORM!

Teacher Recommendation Survey



Please list the order of preference you would like your teacher recommendations sent. Some colleges will only accept one or two recommendations. If you ask more than two teachers, the counseling office needs to know which recommendations you would like sent.

Please note, this is not a request for teacher recommendations. Requests must be done in person and via Naviance.

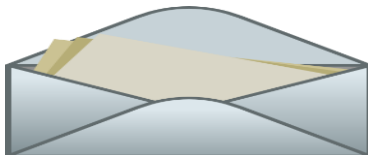
Student Name:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

ONLY FOR COLLEGES THAT ARE NOT
NAVIANCE/COMMON APP



If your college **does not** participate with Naviance/Common App you need to bring in envelopes and stamps for **ONLY** these schools. Each set should include:

- 1- 8x11 envelope
- 3- business size envelopes
- 6- stamps (unattached)

All envelopes must be addressed to the college with the return address:

North Haven High School
221 Elm Street
North Haven, CT 06473
(your full name)