

Learning Targets

- 1. I can describe what we will be doing in Guidance AT's this fall and understand why it is important to attend *ALL* AT's <u>and</u> check my email regularly.
- 2. I can confirm that my transcript is accurate.
- 3. I know where/how I can find out about colleges coming to visit CHS and why it is important to meet with college representatives.
- 4. I can describe the differences between Early Action, Early Decision, Regular Decision and Rolling Admissions
- 5. I can describe the general timeline of the college application process.



With privilege comes responsibility

- It is <u>essential</u> that you come to AT, and with your computer!
- Check your email!!!
- •What we have learned from past seniors:
 - AT
 - Individual appointments (what to do if we're busy)
 - Help sessions



Guidance AT's for Seniors

- We'll cover:
 - The college application timeline and process
 - The Common App
 - Financial aid (FAFSA)
 - Scholarships and the VSAC Grant
 - Sending transcripts
 - Sending SAT/ACT scores
 - Recommendations
 - Importance of Naviance
 - And so much more!

We get to cover all those things in AT!? That's so exciting!

*safety tip- Although you still have to attend all ATs, please make individual appointments with your counselor if you feel like the pace of AT isn't working for you.



HELP SESSIONS





- There will be AT help sessions in October, November, and December
- Tell your counselor if you would like to be booked for any of these sessions (you can tell us the week before as well).
- Feel free to also make individual appointments with your counselor. Some students choose to meet with their counselor weekly throughout the college application process.

What if I have other plans?



- If you know <u>for sure</u> that you are not interested in college and have another plan, let your counselor know the details of your plan via email as soon as possible.
- We'll do a quick call home to confirm and then "un-book" you from the college related AT's.
- If you'd like to talk about different options that don't include college, feel free to make individual appointments.
- FYI- There will be other AT's later in the year that you will **have to** attend. Not all Senior AT's are college related.



What's the difference between Early Action and Early Decision?



Early Action

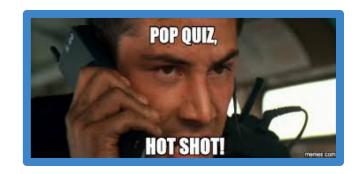
- Non-binding.
- The "new regular admissions."
- Get the college application process done and out of the way.
- Some schools (like UVM) even waive admissions cost if you apply EA. Apply to multiple colleges this way.

Early Decision

- Binding-you must attend this school and pull all other applications!
- You are <u>absolutely</u> sure where you want to go.
- You have the funds to afford any package awarded to you. You will receive your offer of admission and financial aid simultaneously so you will not be able to compare financial aid offers from other colleges.

What does the timeline look like?

- > October- FAFSA time (new-ish).
- > November 1 (November 15)- Most Early Decision and Early Action applications are due.
 - > Dates can vary.
 - Check specific college/university websites
- > December- Some other Early Action Deadlines are December 1
 - --Decisions may come back from colleges for ED and EA



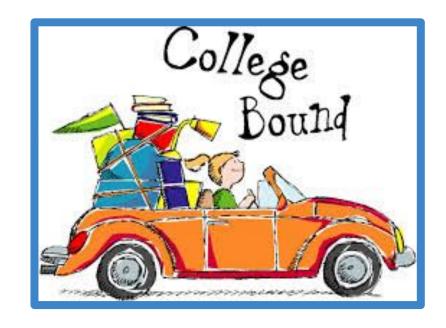
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Early Decision and Early Action

What does the timeline look like?

- > January 1, 15 or February 1, 15th.

 Regular admissions deadline depends on the school
 - > Check college websites
- ➤ **March** Regular admissions decisions come in
- > May 1- Commit to school



What about Rolling Admissions?

• Rolling admissions- Any time. BUT, with certain majors, you really need to get your application in early. When programs fill, they fill.



Here is a copy of your

Transcript

Let's take a look....



Transcripts

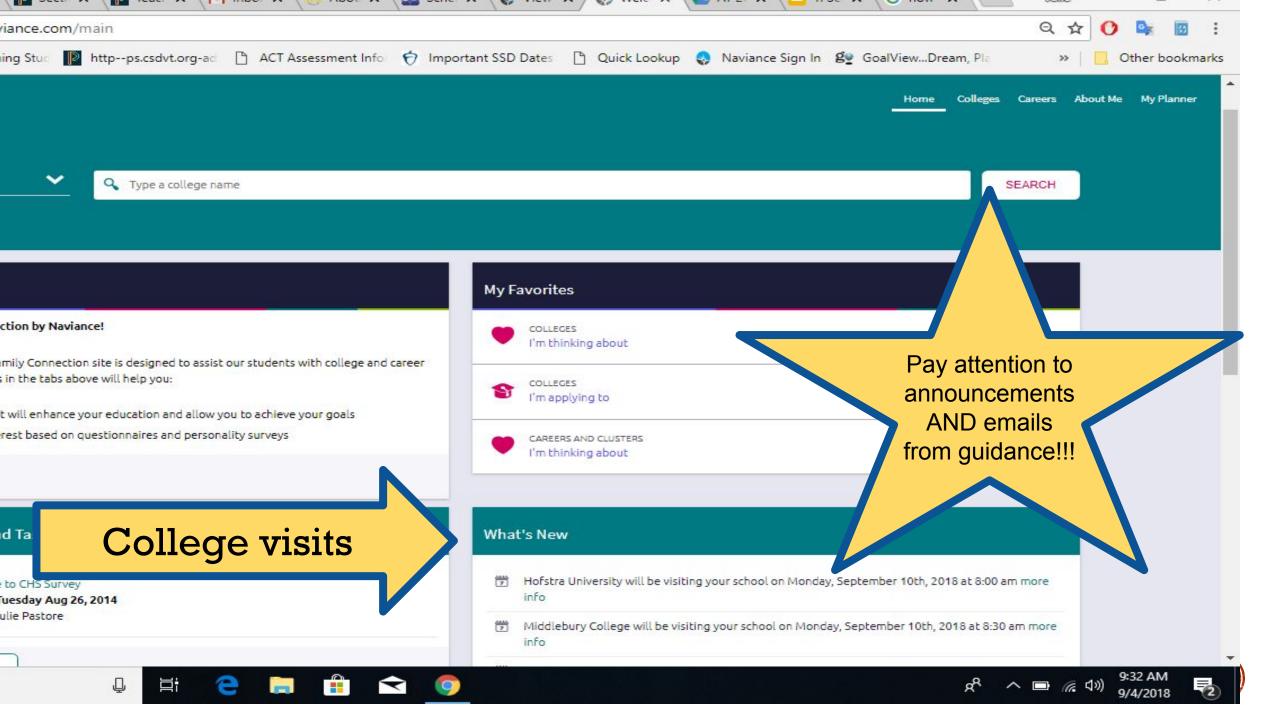
- Does your transcript look right?
- Does it say you earned a "C" in synchronized swimming when you really took physics and got an "A"? Colleges see these so please take the time to double check and make sure they are correct.
- Did you take Honors, but your transcript doesn't reflect that? Mark that on your transcript! (before you request transcripts).
- 8th grade credits for Languages and Math listed?
- Incompletes that need to be amended?
- College credits you already earned?
- See Mrs. Ward to see if we have your college transcripts





*Not as cool as Santa coming to town, but pretty cool









Status: Not Registered

SEPTEMBER Mon 10

08:00AM

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COLLEGE VISIT INFORMATION

Hofstra University

♦ Not Specified

Registration for this event is open.

Visit Description

Time

Monday, Sep 10 2018, 08:00AM

Visit Representative

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Colchester High School

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Colchester, VT 05446-0031

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www.csdvt.org/chs

Contact Counselor



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A note about social media

What would a college admissions rep think if they saw your accounts?

"According to a <u>CareerBuilder study</u>, 70 percent of employers use social media to screen job candidates before hiring them, up from 60 percent in 2016 and 11 percent in 2006." (Business News Daily April 3, 2018)



2018 NEACAC College Fair

The annual **NEACAC** college fair will be hosted at <u>St. Mike's</u> this year

- Wednesday, September 12, 2018 from 6:30-8:30PM
- Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 9-11AM
- Location: Tarrant Recreation Center, Saint Michael's College

