



Setting Up & Starting The Common App

The Arc of Glory

Learning Targets

College timeline, Common App, Colleges in Naviance

I can..

Set up common
app

Enter key details
into C.A.

Add colleges to
C.A.

Have the pink
form &
application
Checklist

More Common App

I can..

Complete and
sign the FERPA
release in C.A

Add colleges to
my Naviance
Account

Identify HOW I
am applying in
Naviance
i.e. C.A. or Direct
to Institution

Linking Naviance & Common App. Sending Transcripts

I can..

Officially request
transcripts

Choose the
accurate "type" of
application for
each school. ED, EA,
Rolling

Link C.A and
Naviance

Letters of Recommendation

I can..

Follow the
appropriate process
to request teacher
letters of
recommendation

Follow the
appropriate process
to request
counselor letters of
recommendation

FAFSA & paying for college

I can (identify)..

Where and how to
start the FAFSA

Where and how to
start the VT state
grant

Start finding \$ for
college using
scholarship tools
like the fastweb,
CHS website, and
Naviance

VSAC and Local Scholarships

I can..

Identify multiple
resources I can
use to apply for
scholarships

Describe how to
apply for VSAC
scholarships

Identify at least
1 scholarship I
am eligible for in
the VSAC booklet

Graduation Tasks

I can..

Take the
graduation
Survey on
Naviance

Request my final
transcript on
naviance

Take the CHS
exit survey on
naviance



Set up a Common App account

<http://www.commonapp>  **Create Account**

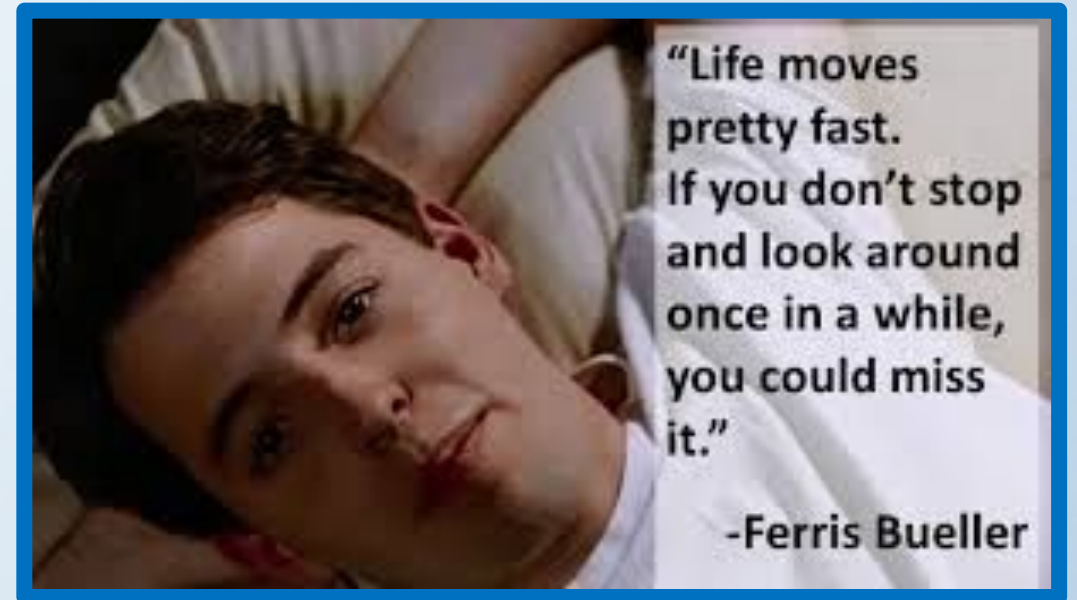
(we recommend you use a personal email in case you need to access this later on)



Once you get to the page that says “Hello!” you can stop

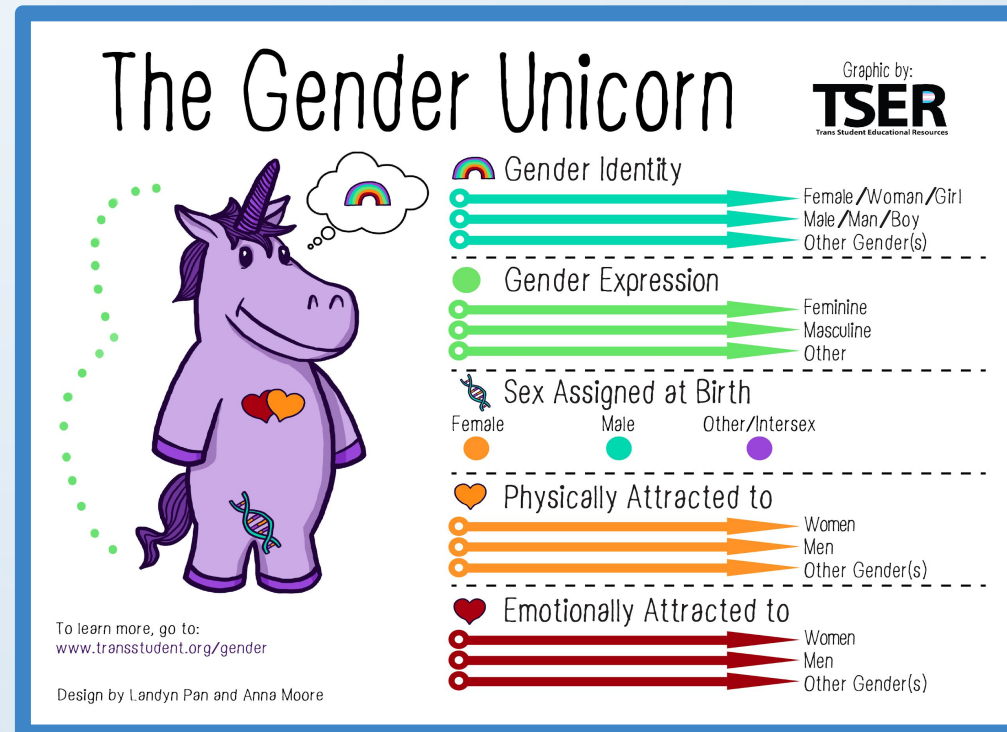
***PLEASE** set aside some time at home to work on your Common App. This will **not** be something you will complete during school

- ☐ You will have to Fill out **all the sections** of the Common Application.
- ☐ We'll get you started with a couple sections and tips
- ☐ If you are having trouble with your essay, make sure to meet with an English teacher for help and editing. Amanda Hughes and Cynthia Barnes will be running essay writing help sessions once a week. Email them to set up time for help.



FYI...Profile Section changes

- On the question of “Sex,” students have to answer “Male” or “Female” 😞
- The good news is... there is a section that says “If you would like the opportunity, we invite you to share more about your gender identity below.”



Let's start by adding a college

Welcome, Katherine!
Practice Applicant [Usage Tips PDF](#)
CAID 14600349
katherine

Sign Out

Dashboard

My Colleges

Common App

College Search

Financial Aid Resources

College Search

Application Requirements

College or City Name

boston

Separate multiple search terms with a comma, e.g.: Washington, Boston

More filters

15 results

Sort by: College Name

+ Boston College
Chestnut Hill, MA - USA

+ Boston University
Boston, MA - USA

+ Emerson College

Help and
instructions!!!

Instructions and Help

How do I find colleges
that are a good fit for
me?

Planning for college doesn't
have to be stressful. There
are many free tools that can
[Read more](#)

How do I search for a
college?

The **College Search** tab
allows you to find the
Common App member
[Read more](#)

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Profile

Family

Education

✓ Testing

Activities

Writing

Courses & Grades
0 college(s) require

Education

Video Tutorials

Current or Most Recent Secondary/High School

Other Secondary/High Schools

Colleges & Universities

Grades

Graduating class size (approx.)*

Class rank reporting

None

GPA Scale reporting

Choose an option

Instructions and
HelpI already submitted, can I
change some of my
answers?

2. CHS specifics

Common App Tab →
Education → Grades:

- CHS does not rank
- The 2021 class size is 163
- Leave GPA scale blank as we are on a 4.33 scale.
- Grades are un-weighted

Dashboard

Pages

Common App

College Search

Add Colchester High School as
your Current School

Common App

Profile

Family

Education

✓ Testing

Activities

Writing

Courses & Grades
0 college(s) require

Education

Video Tutorials

Preview

Current or Most Recent Secondary/High School

Current or most recent secondary/high school *

Colchester High School

131 Laker Lane

Colchester, VT 05446

USA

Public

CEEB Code : 460108



Change



Remove

Date of entry*

Example: August 2002



Date should be entered in the Month Year format.

Instructions and
Help



Why can't I find my
school in the high school
search screen?

When searching for your
high school within your

Common App, you may not
Read more

3. Test scores

Common App tab→
Testing

Self Reporting your
scores here **does not**
replace sending
your OFFICIAL scores
to schools. You will
need to send them
through:

[Collegeboard.org](https://collegeboard.org)

Or

[Actstudent.org](https://actstudent.org)

IF required

**at least 3-4
weeks before
deadline**

The screenshot shows the Common App interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Dashboard, My Colleges, Common App (selected), College Search, and Financial Aid Resources. Below these, the 'Common Application' section is visible. On the left, a sidebar lists various sections: Profile, Family, Education, Testing (highlighted with a green checkmark and a green arrow pointing to it), Activities, Writing, and Courses & Grades. The main content area is titled 'Testing' (also highlighted with a green arrow) and contains the following text: 'In addition to sending official score reports as required by colleges, do you wish to self-report scores or future test dates for any of the following standardized tests: ACT, SAT/SAT Subject, AP, IB, TOEFL, PTE Academic, and IELTS?*' Below this text are two radio buttons: 'Yes' (selected with a green dot) and 'No'. A 'Clear Answer' button is located below the radio buttons. Further down, there is a section titled 'Indicate all tests you wish to report. Be sure to include tests you expect to take in addition to tests you have already taken.*' which includes a dropdown menu showing 'SAT (before March 2016)' and a link 'Click here for options'. On the right side of the page, there is a 'Video Tutorials' button and an 'Instructions and Help' section with links to 'What is Score Choice and how does it impact what I report?', 'I already submitted, can I change some of my answers?', and 'How do I decide which ACT scores to report?'.

College Application Checklist

(The checklist formally known as the senior checklist)

can be found [HERE](#), in guidance, and on our website

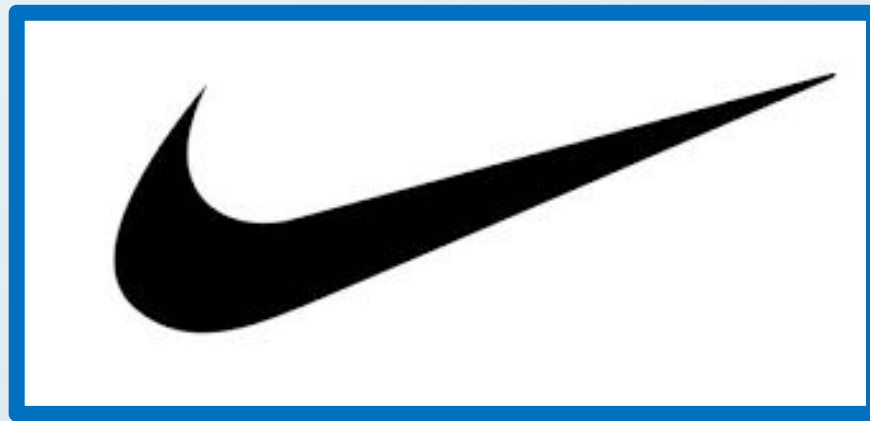


The Pink Form

- ☐ You MUST give your **pink form** aka transcript release form, found [HERE](#) or in Guidance to Mrs. Ward in Guidance ASAP to permit school records to be sent to colleges. This needs to be done **AT LEAST 3 WEEKS** before application deadline
- ☐ You'll need a parent's signature, even if you are 18.
- ☐ **Nothing will be sent to schools until this form is signed and given to Mrs. Ward**

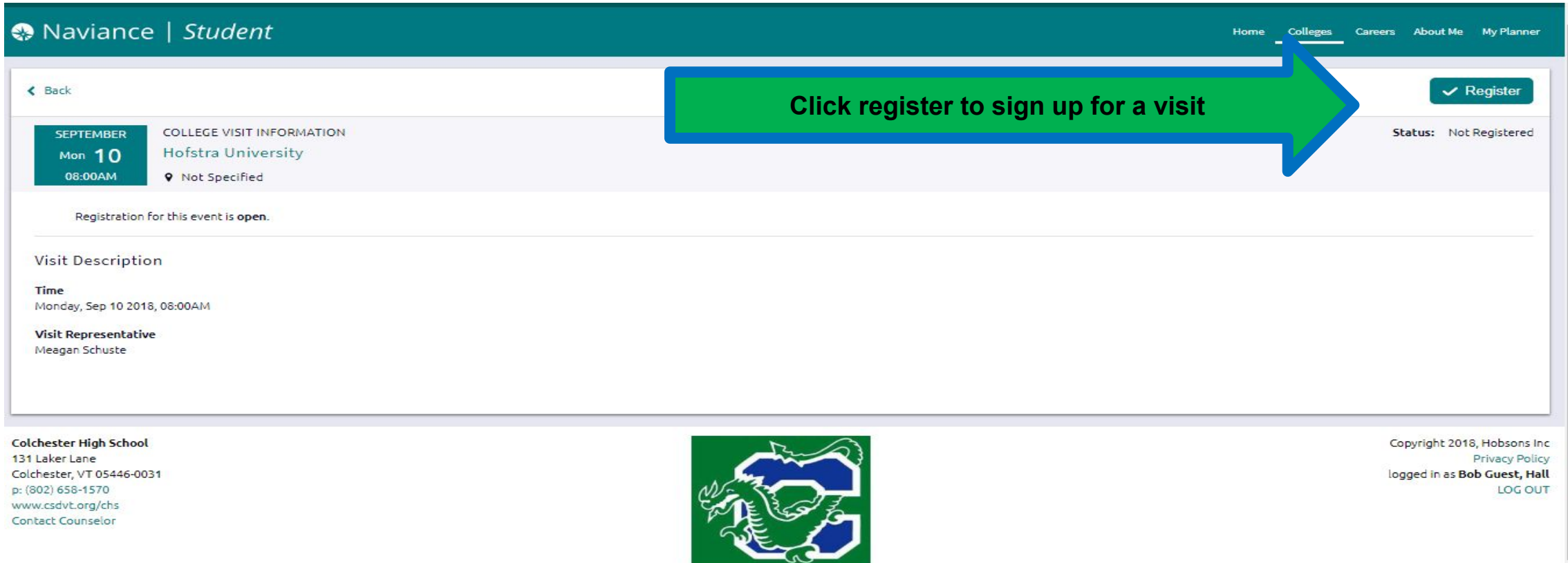
BY NEXT WEEK:

YOU NEED TO HAVE YOUR SIGNED PINK SLIP IN TO GUIDANCE IN ORDER TO DO THE NEXT STEPS!!!!



Bonus Activity

- Sign on to Naviance
- Look at the “What’s new” section “click view more” and click on a college you would like to visit with.
- Sign up for at least one college admissions rep visit in Guidance



The screenshot shows the Naviance Student interface. At the top, there's a teal header with the Naviance logo and the word "Student". Navigation links include Home, Colleges, Careers, About Me, and My Planner. The main content area shows a college visit information card for Hofstra University, scheduled for September 10 at 08:00AM. A green arrow points to the "Register" button with the text "Click register to sign up for a visit". Below the card, it says "Registration for this event is open." and provides a visit description, time, and representative (Meagan Schuste). The footer includes contact information for Colchester High School and a copyright notice for Hobsons Inc.

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SEPTEMBER
Mon 10
08:00AM

COLLEGE VISIT INFORMATION
Hofstra University
Not Specified

Click register to sign up for a visit

Register

Status: Not Registered

Registration for this event is open.

Visit Description

Time
Monday, Sep 10 2018, 08:00AM

Visit Representative
Meagan Schuste

Colchester High School
131 Laker Lane
Colchester, VT 05446-0031
p: (802) 658-1570
www.csdvt.org/chs
Contact Counselor

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logged in as Bob Guest, Hall
LOG OUT

Next AT

- More Common App fun with key details and essential reminders
- Linking Common App and Naviance
 - Why is Naviance so important, anyway?



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

SENIOR COLLEGE NIGHT IS THIS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 FROM 7-8 ON ZOOM

VSAC FINANCIAL AID NIGHT IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 FROM 7-8 ON ZOOM

NEACAC COLLEGE FAIR- VIRTUAL ON 10/12, 10/18, AND 11/8.
REGISTER AT WWW.VIRTUALCOLLEGEFAIRS.ORG