



WATCHUNG HILLS

REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2022
SENIOR COLLEGE NIGHT

September 20, 2021

7:00 pm

INTRODUCTIONS

- *Jason Sabino, Director of School Counseling*
- *Rob Carmenini, School Counselor*
- *Trish Godon, School Counselor*
- *Glenn Graham, School Counselor*
- *Fran Hernandez, School Counselor*
- *Lauren Krueger, School Counselor*
- *Barbara Meyer, School Counselor*
- *Tara Miles, School Counselor*
- *Monica Rito, School Counselor*
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WELCOME ALL CLASS OF 2022 SENIORS AND PARENTS ATTENDING THIS EVENING!



FINDING YOUR COLLEGE FIT

Embrace The College Website

Research, Dig In, Check and Double Check, Look Again

1 Where YOU can learn and grow intellectually

What do you want to learn? Does the college offer a strong MAJOR to match your interest?

2 Where YOU can thrive socially and find new friends

Location? Community? College resources for student engagement? Webinars? Social media?

3 Where YOU will likely be accepted

What does the College want? What can YOU bring to the college?

Show off your talents, interests, abilities, academic record in your Application



APPLICATION PROCESS

- ❑ **Online applications** (go to the college's website, look for "Apply Now" links), School Specific App, Common App, Coalition App:
 - ❑ Demographic Info
 - ❑ Activities/Extracurricular commitments
 - ❑ School Specific Info (drop down questions, **short answer/essays**)
 - ❑ **Personal Statement** (word limit varies)
 - ❑ Additional Information (Common App OPTIONAL)
 - ❑ General prompt 650 words
 - ❑ COVID or other natural disaster prompt 250 words
- ❑ **Transcript and profile**
- ❑ **Standardized test scores** *VIEW ADMISSION OFFICE WEBSITES*
 - ❑ Test Optional? Test Flexible? Test Free? Tests Required? Dates to commit to the process?
 - ❑ Report directly to colleges from www.collegeboard.org and/or www.actstudent.org. or do they allow you to self report?
- ❑ **Recommendations**
- ❑ **Special talent or skill: Audition? Portfolio? NCAA Eligibility?**
- ❑ **Demonstrated Interest (In person, virtual, WHRHS-specific)**



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APPLICATION INFORMATION

High School Information

SSN# _____ - _____ - _____ *

Class Size: 499 Date of Graduation: 6/17/22

Class Rank: *None (we do not rank)*

Six Semester Unweighted GPA _____ /4.0 scale

Six Semester Weighted GPA _____ /5.3 scale

**Common app only allows the selection of a 4.0 scale, so you will self report your unweighted GPA on that application*

Full year courses = 5 credits

Lab sciences = 6 credits

Semester courses = 2.5 credits

PE = 1.25 credits each quarter

Health= 1.25 credits

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SENIOR CHECKLIST



- ❑ **Questionnaires:** Make sure you have submitted your counselor questionnaire. Make sure you handed out your teacher recommendation forms. If not then please do ASAP!
- ❑ **Resume:** Utilize Resume Builder on Naviance if needed.
- ❑ **List of Colleges:** You should have been researching schools to develop a list. Be aware of application due dates and deadlines. Review list with your counselor.
- ❑ **SAT/ACT Testing:** Check with your college as many have adopted test-optional policies for the Class of 2022. Read each school specific policy, as they can differ from college to college. Students are responsible to send their scores to the colleges.
- ❑ **Student Athletes:** You need to register on the NCAA website if you have not done so already. WHRHS cannot send out your transcript to them unless this is done.
- ❑ **Application Process:** Start working on your applications and college essay. Once you have submitted an application you need to schedule an appointment with your counselor. You will complete the Naviance Process with your counselor. (requesting transcript/recommendations)
- ❑ **Counselor Meetings:** Seniors should email their counselor with questions throughout the application process. We are here to help. Students MUST also schedule an appointment with their counselor after they have submitted each application to complete the Naviance process. (Request recommendations and transcript)

SENDING RECOMMENDATIONS & TRANSCRIPTS



The process for having documents sent to colleges is as follows:

1. Students apply to school(s). This means the student completes application, pays application fee and submits application to college(s).
2. Student sends SAT www.collegeboard.com and or ACT www.actstudent.org scores to college(s) directly from testing service
3. Colleges you have applied to **MUST** be added to your "College's I'm Thinking About" tab prior to meeting with your counselor for transcript and recommendation request submission
4. Provide a signed (by parent) copy of the Universal Transcript Release Form to your counselor (One release covers all applications) [Transcript Release](#)
5. Student schedules an appointment with counselor:
 - E-mail address used on Common app (if applicable)
 - Naviance Password
 - Name(s) of teacher(s) providing recommendation
 - List of college(s) student has submitted applications
 - Midyear reports when requested go to ALL colleges in the "colleges I'm applying to" list

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Students do **NOT** need to add anything to the "Colleges I'm Applying To" section in Naviance. All requests are added by or with counselor.

WHRHS uses Naviance there is no need to add Recommenders" in the Common Application

****DO NOT ADD COUNSELORS OR TEACHERS IN THE COMMON APPLICATION RECOMMENDERS SECTION****

2021-2022 Application Deadlines

College Application Deadlines	WHRHS Application Deadlines
November 1, 2021	October 7, 2021
November 15, 2021	October 22, 2021
December 1, 2021	November 09, 2021
December 15, 2021	November 22, 2021
January 1, 2022	December 1, 2021
January 15, 2022	December 17, 2021



FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- ❑ Attend Financial Aid Night: September 27th @ 7:00pm
- ❑ FAFSA form – www.fafsa.ed.gov
- ❑ HESAA - <https://www.hesaa.org/Pages/Default.aspx>
- ❑ FAFSA4caster: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/spa/fafsa4c/#/landing> and Net Price Calculators
- ❑ Helpful tools - <http://www.collegeboard.com/parents/pay/> and www.studentaid.ed.gov
- ❑ Scholarship search engine – www.fastweb.com, [Unigo](#), [Cappex](#), [Niche](#)
- ❑ CSS/Financial Aid Profile – <https://profileonline.collegeboard.com/index.jsp>
- ❑ NCAA Eligibility Center - <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND LINKS

- ❑ WHRHS School Counseling Dept. College Information - <https://www.whrhs.org/guidance/college-information>
- ❑ NAVIANCE - <https://student.naviance.com/whrhs>
- ❑ NCAA Eligibility Center http://web1.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.jsp
- ❑ CollegeBoard Big Future - <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>
- ❑ Niche - <https://www.niche.com/colleges/search/best-colleges/>
- ❑ Fair Test - <https://www.fairtest.org/>
- ❑ Common App - <https://www.commonapp.org/>
- ❑ Alternatives to Traditional College - <https://www.collegiateparent.com/high-school/alternatives-to-traditional-college/>



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Financial Aid Night
Next Monday (9/27) at 7pm

Questions?

Look forward to speaking with you soon! Thanks!