# COLLEGE APPLICATION NIGHT

Moorestown High School Counseling Department

## Application Data for Class of 2023

# 2,788 applications processed to 391 different colleges/universities

#### Top 10 # of Applications - Class of 2023:

Rutgers University-New Brunswick

**Rowan University** 

University of Delaware

Pennsylvania State University

University of Maryland

**Drexel University** 

Virginia Tech

The College of New Jersey

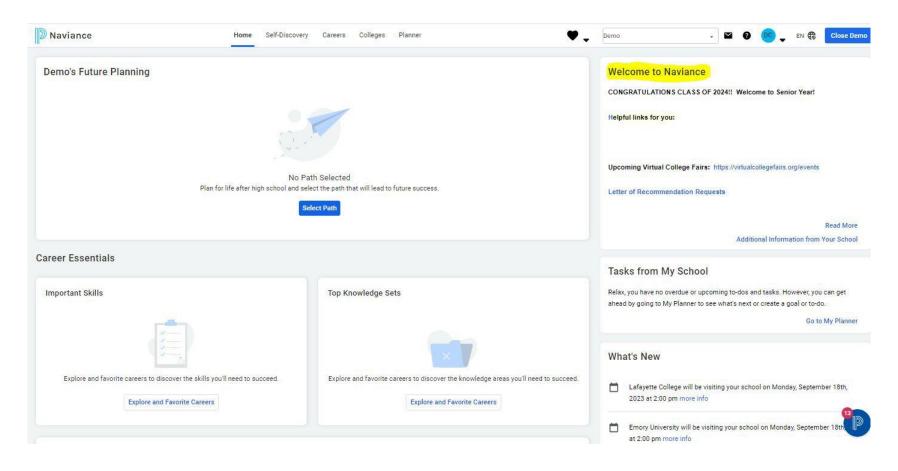
Northeastern University

University of Pittsburgh

# What is Naviance?

- A web-based resource for students and parents/guardians that encourages and supports high school and postsecondary planning.
- Contains school-specific college admittance information for the past ten years.
- Electronically submits and documents receipt of college application materials which include:
  - Official transcript
  - Secondary school report, if required
  - ➤ MHS profile
  - Counselor letter of recommendation

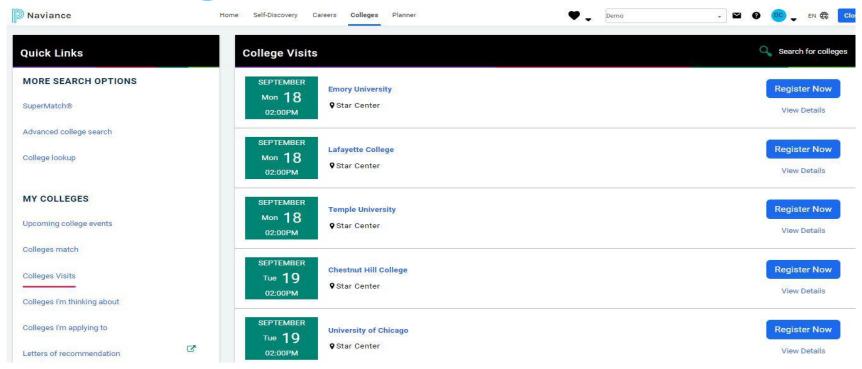
### Naviance Student Homepage



#### Naviance Student website:

https://student.naviance.com/moorestown

# College Admissions Visits



- College admissions visits are posted in the "Colleges" tab of Naviance Student.
  - ☐ In-person visits at 2:00 pm in the STAR Center (Guidance Office)
  - ☐ Virtual visits at 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm or 5:00 pm
- Be sure to register for college admissions visits in your Naviance Student account!

# The Application Process

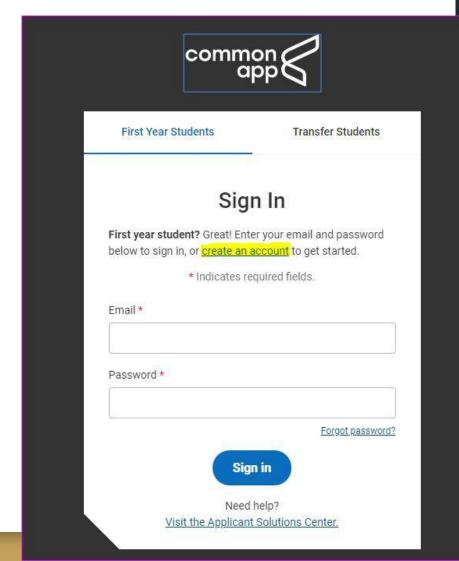
All seniors are familiar with accessing Naviance. To begin applying to colleges, seniors should proceed with the following:

- Create an account at commonapp.org, coalitionforcollegeaccess.org, and/or begin the application on the college's website (if applicable)
- 2. Complete application including the FERPA Release Authorization. It is in the best interest of the student to waive their right to access recommendations that are submitted on their behalf.

#### **Common Application Website**

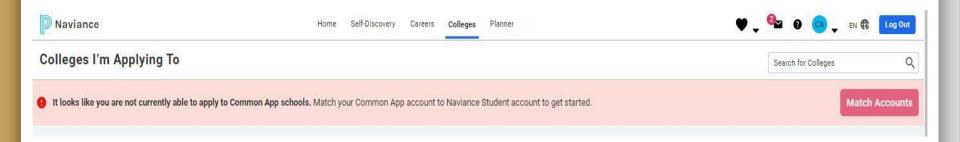
#### www.commonapp.org

- Each year, more than one million students - a third of whom are first generation - apply to college, research financial aid and scholarships, and connect to college counseling resources through Common App.
- The Common App is accepted by over 1,000 colleges & universities.
- Many MHS students apply to several colleges and universities via the Common App.



# **Common Application Account Matching in Naviance Student**

- If a student is applying to any colleges or universities via the Common Application, the student must complete the Common Application account matching process in Naviance Student.
- Students can complete the matching process under the "Colleges I'm Applying To" tab:



# Documents Sent from School Counselor via Naviance

- The school counselors at MHS are able to submit the following documents to colleges and universities via Naviance:
  - Official Transcript
  - Secondary School Report, if required
  - MHS School Profile
  - Counselor Letter of Recommendation
- It is imperative for the student's "Colleges I'm Applying To" list to be accurate in Naviance Student.
- It is the student's responsibility to submit to their counselor a signed
   Teacher & Counselor Recommendation Waiver and Transcript Release
   Form with a list of prospective colleges and include deadlines.
  - Forms must be submitted 15 school days in advance of the application deadline.

\*Please be advised if you have applied to more than one college or university via the Common Application, all of their respective admissions offices will have access to all documents electronically submitted on your behalf. In the Common Application, you agreed to the following statement: I acknowledge that every school that I have attended may release all requested records and recommendations to colleges to which I am applying for admission. I also understand that employees at these colleges may confidentially contact my current and former schools should they have any questions about the information submitted on my behalf.

Transcript release forms need to be completed for every school for which the student has applied to ensure that non common application schools receive the proper documents and for office recordkeeping.

Requests for Transcripts in Naviance do not automatically submit documents. Please remember to turn in your form 15 school days prior to the college application deadline.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO **CHECK YOUR TRANSCRIPT BEFORE** SUBMITTING YOUR TRANSCRIPT RELEASE FORM TO YOUR **COUNSELOR TO ENSURE ACCURACY BEFORE THEY ARE SENT TO** COLLEGES.

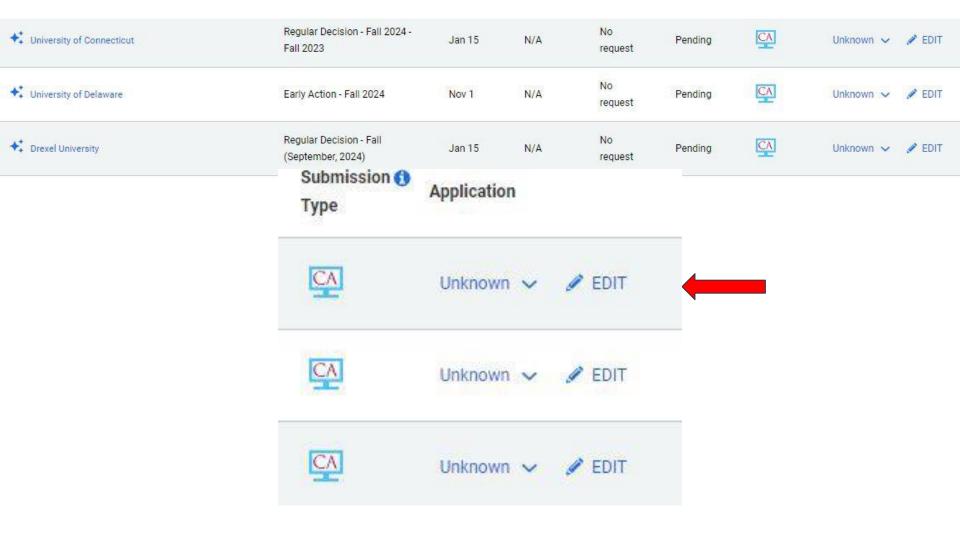
**Finalize** "Colleges I'm Applying To" list in Naviance Student Please **specify** submission type (Common App, Direct to Institution, etc.)

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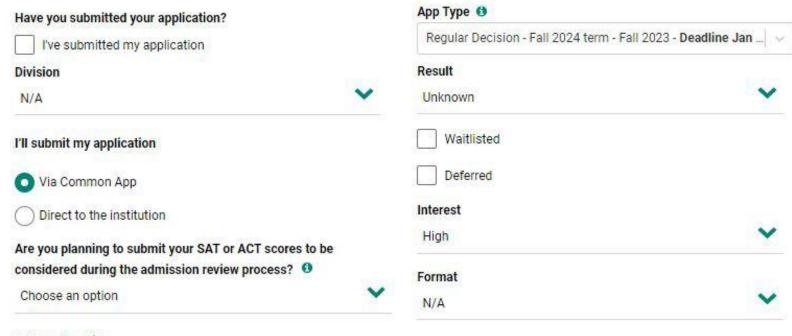


# **Apply** to colleges and then under "Colleges I'm Applying To" click "Edit."



Once you click "Edit," you have the option to check "I've submitted my application," as well as change app type, results, interests, etc.

#### University of Connecticut (CT)



College Deadline

01/15/2024

#### Teacher Letters of Recommendation

- Request letters of recommendation from your teachers at least 15 school days in advance of application deadline.
- Teachers at Moorestown High School have the option to send their recommendation letters via postal mail, electronically via Naviance, or email. It is up to the teacher's discretion.
  - Via postal mail: Please provide stamped, addressed envelopes and any supplemental forms (e.g. Common Application Teacher Evaluation) required to the teachers for your letters of recommendation.
  - Via Naviance: Students need to request teachers LOR's via Naviance and specify which teachers are sending letters to each school. There are some colleges and universities that only accept one teacher letter of recommendation. No Common Application Teacher Evaluation form is needed - this is a step the teacher will complete in Naviance.
  - Via email: It is the student's responsibility to identify how each college would prefer to receive their letters if submitted via email: admissions office email, admissions rep email, etc.
- Be sure to send Thank You notes to those who wrote you a recommendation.

# Submitting SAT/ACT Scores

- ☐ It is the student's responsibility to submit their SAT/ACT scores through the testing agency (if required).
  - https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/sending-scores
  - ACT:
    <a href="https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/s">https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/s</a>
    cores/sending-your-scores.html
- ☐ There are a number of colleges and universities that are "Test Optional" for the Fall 2024 admissions cycle. It is the student's responsibility to review the testing policies of their prospective colleges and universities.

# Self-Reported Academic Record

Some colleges require applicants to self-report their transcript.
 This is referred to as a Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR).

- Examples of colleges that request an SRAR:
  - Rutgers University
  - Pennsylvania State University
  - University of Pittsburgh
  - University of Delaware

 Students can access an unofficial copy of their transcript in the Genesis Parent Portal.

# **Important Notes**

- Be mindful of deadlines. It is important for students to ensure that their applications and supplemental application materials are submitted by the college's application deadline.
- Check applicant portal. Most colleges and universities have an applicant portal. Students typically receive an email with their login information for the applicant portal after they have successfully submitted the application.
- Check email regularly. Admissions representatives may contact students via email if their application file is incomplete.
- Review each college's application checklist. For example, there are colleges and universities that do not consider letters of recommendation in their admissions process (i.e. Rutgers University and Virginia Tech).
- Update Naviance account with admission decisions.

# **QUESTIONS?**