

The graphic features a solid red background. On the far left, there is a vertical brown bar. In the center, a white, cloud-like shape with a scalloped border contains the text. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font. The top line reads "Red Bank Regional High School" in brown. The second line, "JUNIOR YEAR", is in a much larger, bold, brown font. Below this, in a smaller brown font, are the lines "LET'S GET STARTED" and "ON PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE".

Red Bank Regional High School

JUNIOR YEAR

**LET'S GET STARTED
ON PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE**

The Emotional Rollercoaster of Life After RBRHS



Options After RBRHS

- 4-Year College
- 2-Year College
 - Associate's Degree
 - Transfer to a 4-Year
- 2-Year Technical School
- Certification/Licensure Program
- Apprenticeship
- Military
- Work

Helping Your Child Choose a Career Path

- Have discussions on their academic interests, extracurricular interests, and work environments.
- Have conversations on different career skills to see what piques their interest.
- Introduce different careers through family members and friends.
- Begin to research careers and compile a list of potential careers.
- Counselors will be working with all juniors to complete career surveys to help match strengths and personality types with careers. (YouScience in Scoir)

The College Search

- **Consider/prioritize the most important factors for the student**
 - Location & campus setting
 - Undergraduate enrollment size
 - Major of interest
 - Cost
 - Student success measurements/ [Return on Investment](#)
(graduation/retention/job placement)
 - Special program consideration or needs

START RESEARCHING COLLEGES

- Colleges Searches
 - Scoir*, Collegeboard's Big Future, Niche and Princeton Review
- College Representatives at RBR
- College Fairs - Monmouth University, October 16th from 1pm - 4 pm
 - Register as student and/or parent at www.strivefair.com
- Look on College Websites for when their representatives will be at local events.
- Campus Tours (youvisit.com, youtube + name of college, etc.)
- College Essay Guy Podcasts

FACTORS COLLEGES WILL BE LOOKING AT

- The rigor of courses/course requirements for some majors.
- Performance in these classes; 6 semester transcript.
- GPA (recalculated).
- Standardized test scores (many test optional schools, Fall 2024 still pending)
- Activities (job, club, sports, leadership role, tutoring, volunteering internships, etc.).
- Personal Essay and some colleges have Supplemental Questions/Essays.
- Recommendations from 2 teachers and School Counselor.
- Some colleges will look at supplemental materials (music, videos, outside recommendations).
- Some colleges look at demonstrated interest.
- Each college weighs each of these differently.

Google

Common Data Set + Name of College

GO to Part C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSION

Villanova

| | Very Important | Important | Considered | Not Considered |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------|------------|----------------|
| Academic | | | | |
| Rigor of secondary school record | X | | | |
| Class rank | X | | | |
| Academic GPA | X | | | |
| Standardized test scores | | | X | |
| Application Essay | | X | | |
| Recommendation(s) | | X | | |
| Nonacademic | | | | |
| Interview | | | | X |
| Extracurricular activities | | X | | |
| Talent/ability | | X | | |
| Character/personal qualities | | X | | |
| First generation | | | X | |
| Alumni/ae relation | | | X | |
| Geographical residence | | | X | |
| State residency | | | X | |
| Religious affiliation/commitment | | | | X |
| Racial/ethnic status | | | X | |
| Volunteer work | | X | | |
| Work experience | | X | | |
| Level of applicant's interest | | | X | |

Penn State

| Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in your first-time, first- | | | | |
|--|----------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|
| | Very Important | Important | Considered | Not Considered |
| Academic | | | | |
| Rigor of secondary school record | | X | | |
| Class rank | | | | X |
| Academic GPA | X | | | |
| Standardized test scores | | | X | |
| Application Essay | | | Pre-Med Only | X |
| Recommendation(s) | | | | X |
| Nonacademic | | | | |
| Interview | | | | X |
| Extracurricular activities | | | | X |
| Talent/ability | | | X | |
| Character/personal qualities | | | | X |
| First generation | | | | X |
| Alumni/ae relation | | | X | |
| Geographical residence | | | X | |
| State residency | | | X | |
| Religious affiliation/commitment | | | | X |
| Racial/ethnic status | | | X | |
| Volunteer work | | | | X |
| Work experience | | | | X |
| Level of applicant's interest | | | | X |

STANDARDIZED TESTING

- SATs vs ACTs
 - Many Colleges are Test Optional or Test Flexible (www.fairtest.org)
- TOEFL Tests
- AP Tests
- IB Tests

DEVELOP A TESTING TIMELINE

- Plan to take the test 2-3 times if possible.
- Consider your math level when developing a testing timeline
- Remember to consider events like AP/IB Tests, Prom, and vacations and where you best test (RBRHS vs. another school).
 - The earlier you sign up, the more options for testing centers especially if approved for accommodations by the SATs or ACTs*.
- Fall School Day SAT Testing in October (Tentative)

ACT Test Dates

| ACT Date | Registration Deadline | Late Registration Deadline | Photo Upload |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| December 10, 2022 | November 4, 2022 | November 11, 2022 | December 2, 2022 |
| February 11, 2023 | January 6, 2023 | January 20, 2023 | February 3, 2023 |
| April 15, 2023 | March 10, 2023 | March 24, 2023 | April 7, 2023 |
| June 10, 2023 | May 5, 2023 | May 19, 2023 | June 2, 2023 |
| July 10, 2023 | June 16, 2023 | June 23, 2023 | July 7, 2023 |
| September 9, 2023* | August 4, 2023* | August 18, 2023* | August 31, 2023* |

If you qualify for accommodations based off an IEP or 504, requests must be made at least 8 weeks in advance. This is a separate process than SATs or school-based tests. ACTs must approve the accommodations. Must wait to register for test.

SAT Test Dates

Digital SAT Testing
March 2024

| SAT Date | Registration Deadline | Late Registration Deadline | Deadline for Changes |
|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| December 3, 2022 | November 3, 2022 | November 22, 2022 | November 22, 2022 |
| March 11, 2023 | February 10, 2023 | February 28, 2023 | February 28, 2023 |
| May 6, 2023 | April 7, 2023 | April 25, 2023 | April 25, 2023 |
| June 3, 2023 | May 4, 2023 | May 23, 2023 | May 23, 2023 |
| August 26, 2023 (Anticipated) | | | |
| October 7, 2023 (Anticipated) | RBR has also held the School Day Testing Wednesday, 10/11 (Tentative) | | |

If you qualify for accommodations based off an IEP or 504, requests must be made at least 8 weeks in advance. This is a separate process than ACTs or school-based tests. Collegeboard must approve the accommodations. Make this request ASAP.

How to Register (not including the dates on the previous slide)

SATs → www.collegeboard.org

ACTs → www.act.org

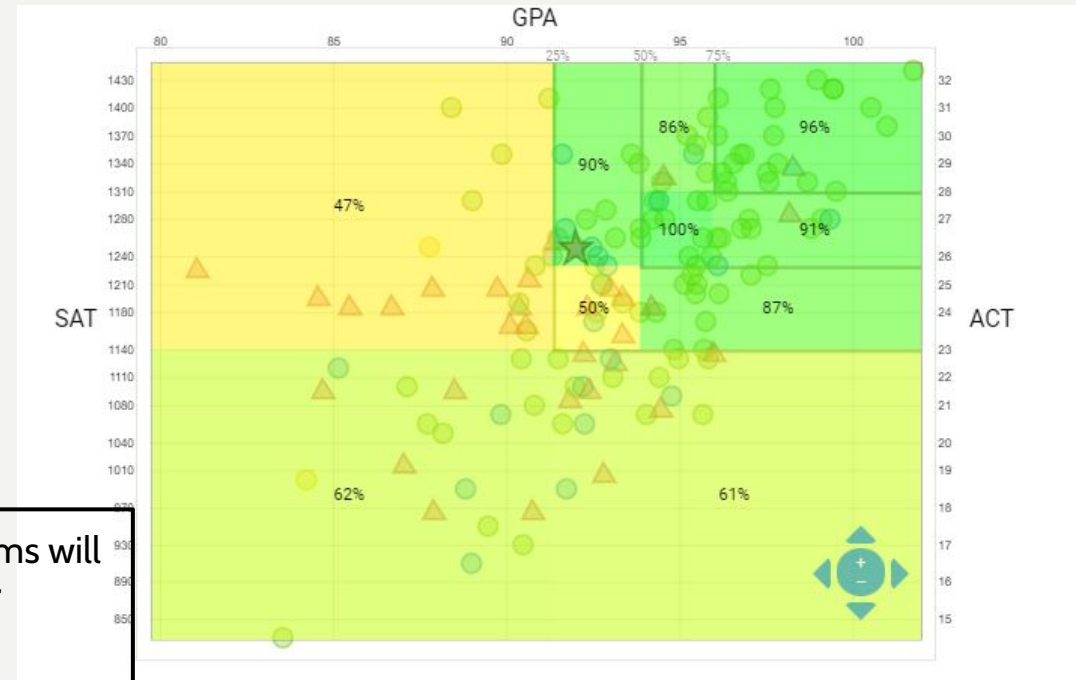
Students **WRITE DOWN** account information. Parents cannot have an account as email address is linked to child.

You will need it again and again!

SCOIR SCATTERGRAMS (GPA/SAT or ACT)

Understanding Scattergrams

Scattergrams display historic application information for RBR student outcomes when enough data is available.



The Scattergrams will be available for students in December.

This information is for RBRHS only.

College Timeline & Checklist - Junior Year

The Fall (September – November)

- ☒ Take the PSAT exam and review your scores
- ☐ Organize your testing strategy for the SAT or ACT and register for an exam
 - *Either later this winter or sometime in the spring
- ☐ Junior year grades will say a lot about your academic performance; Study Hard!

The Winter (December – March)

- ☐ Login to SCOIR and Identify possible college matches by completing a search
- ☐ Study for the SAT or ACT and practice (Khan academy, test prep preview)
- ☐ Construct a strong senior year schedule with rigorous courses
- ☐ Create a “top 10” priority list of your wants and needs in a college
- ☐ Create a document or log to organize all of your college information notes.

College Timeline & Checklist - Junior Year

The Spring (March – May)

- ☐ Take the [SAT](#) or [ACT](#) at least once before the end of the school year. Register at their websites.
- ☐ Explore colleges online; take a deeper look by region, size, academic reputation and cost
- ☐ Educate yourself on admission requirements to colleges you are considering
- ☐ Visit different colleges and demonstrate interest by connecting with admission representatives
- ☐ Continue searching for college matches and start creating a list of colleges in Scoir
- ☐ Students will begin the common application in the Spring with Guidance, supplemental essays become available on 08/01
- ☐ Identify and ask a couple teachers to write letters of recommendation on your behalf

The Summer (June – August)

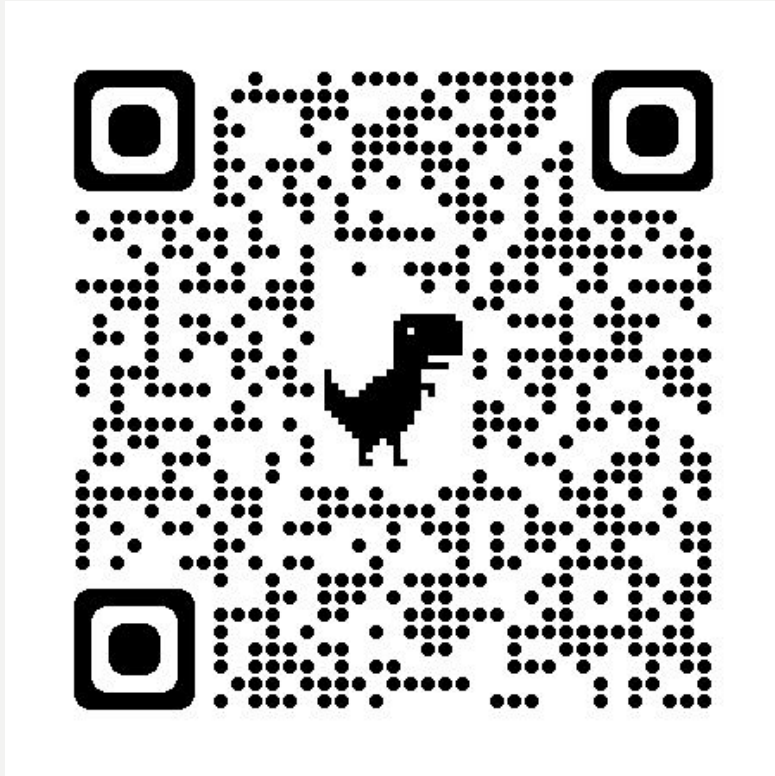
- ☐ Complete the Brag Sheet for your school counselor
- ☐ Complete Teacher Recommendation Forms
- ☐ Practice makes perfect; begin working on your college application essay. RBRHS offers an essay writing workshop over the summer.
- ☐ Continue visiting college campuses and demonstrating interest.
- ☐ Continue searching for college matches and adding to your list of colleges in Scoir
- ☐ Get a summer job or valuable academic experience to help prepare for college
- ☐ Start completing applications and essay(s).



SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

- Federal Student Aid
- U.S. Department of Labor Scholarship Search
- UNT Student Money Management Center
- Accredited Schools Online: Scholarships and Financial Aid for Minority Students
- Adventures in Education
- Affordable Colleges Online: How Colleges Help Visually Impaired Students Succeed
- Affordable Colleges Online: Financial Aid for Minority Students
- [Fast Web](#)
- College Board
- College Funding for Students with Disabilities – Project Do It
- CollegeNET
- FinAid.org
- Good Call Scholarship Search Engine
- Helping Students With Visual Impairments (Includes a list of scholarships opportunities)
- HighYa - The Money Hunt: Ins & Outs of Scholarship Scams
- [GoingMerry](#)

Feedback Form



Future Presentations



October 25, 2022

[The Financial Aid Process by Solution Prep 7pm](#)

Target Audience: Grades 10, 11 and 12

Resources

- College Essay Guy Podcasts
- *The Truth about College Admissions: A Family Guide to Getting In and Staying Together*
 - By Brennan Barnard and Rick Clark

Questions

