

Senior Updates and College Application Guide

Class of 2022



- College Search Review
- College Admissions Information
- College Application Procedures for Students, Parents/Guardians, and Counselors
- Understanding your Transcript
- Second Semester Activities
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The College Search

- Your child's school counselor is available to help them through the entire process.
- Use Naviance Supermatch or <u>College Search- Big</u> <u>Future</u>
- Add colleges of interest to your "colleges I'm thinking about" page on Naviance
- <u>NJACAC College Fair</u> at Monmouth University -Sunday, October 24th from 1-4pm @ Ocean First Bank Center.
- Students can register prior to the event at <u>www.strivefair.com</u> barcode swipe at table.

Daily College Rep Visits at RBR

- The College Reps coming to RBR can give your child all the information he/she/they need about a school. In most cases, the rep is the person reading your shield's application.
- Colleges that are visiting are listed on Naviance under "Colleges" → "Visits" This is where your child can sign up.
- College Visits are also listed on <u>school website</u>, outside Room 140, and announced during daily announcements.
- Sign up Through Naviance at least one day prior- a list of students attending will be sent to your teachers by 7:30am on the day of the visit.
- Any questions about the college visits schedule, come to guidance.

Financial Aid Information

- Virtual Financial Aid Night for RBR on October 28 for students and parent/guardian (in English and Spanish).
- Every college has a **net price calculator** on the college website to help predict what the college will cost you.
- FAFSA (<u>Free Application for Federal Student Aid</u>) forms available on October 1st and use tax information from the prior-prior year (Class of 2022 will use taxes from 2020)
- Students who qualify and submit Free and Reduced Lunch Applications qualify for Free College Applications and Free SATs/ACTs.

Equal Opportunity Fund

The New Jersey Educational Opportunity Fund provides financial assistance and support services (e.g. counseling, tutoring, and developmental course work) to students from educationally and economically disadvantaged backgrounds who attend institutions of higher education in the State of New Jersey.

Forty-two of New Jersey's community colleges and public and private four-year colleges and universities participate in the EOF program. However, the actual number of available spaces at each college or university is limited. Because EOF is a campus-based program, each campus is responsible for student recruitment, selection, program services, and its own specific criteria for EOF admission and program participation.

Undergraduate Eligibility:

- 1. Must demonstrate an educationally and economically disadvantaged background
- 2. Must be a New Jersey resident 12 consecutive months prior to receiving the award
- 3. Must apply and be accepted to a participating New Jersey college or university
- 4. Must meet the academic criteria as set by the institution of choice
- 5. Must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- 6. Gross Income must fall within certain criteria

Types of Admissions Deadlines

• Early Decision I or Early Decision II= <u>Binding</u>

- ED I deadlines usually between Nov. 1 and Dec. 1
- ED II deadlines usually between Jan. 1 and February 1
- Early Action = Non-binding, your child can wait until May 1st to decide if he/she/they will attend
 Deadlines usually between November 1st and December 15th
- Single-Choice Early Action/Restrictive Early Action
- Regular Decision
 - Deadlines can range from January 1st to July 1st
- Rolling
 - The college will read the application as soon as they receive it; talk to your counselor when it is best to apply.

Colleges pick their admissions type and deadline so check on each college website!

Instant Decision Days @ RBR

- What is Instant Decision?
- **Upcoming Opportunities**
- **Instant Decision Dates**
 - Rider \bigcirc
 - Kean \bigcirc
 - NJIT Ο
 - **Georgian Court** Ο
 - Stockton University (will be on 11/9) Ο
 - New England Institute of Technology Ο
 - Kutztown \bigcirc
 - Seton Hall
 - FDU \bigcirc
 - Ramapo Ο

HELD AT RBRHS on NOVEMBER 11, 2021; you must register in advance!

PLEASE SIGN UP IN

GUIDANCE FOR THE

SCHOOL(S) IN WHICH

YOUAREINTERESTED

How do Colleges Make Their Decisions?

VS

Rutgers University

Admissions Factors

VERY IMPORTANT

academic GPA rigor of secondary school record standardized test scores

IMPORTANT

extracurricular activities

CONSIDERED

character/personal qualities application essay first generation geographical residence interview racial/ethnic status class rank state residency talent/ability volunteer work work experience

NOT CONSIDERED

alumni/ae relation level of applicant's interest recommendation(s) religious affiliation/commitment

George Washington University

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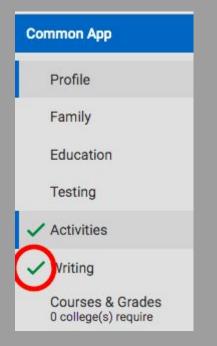
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What do Colleges Use to Make their Decisions?

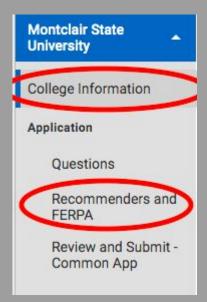
- College Application
 - Your biographical information, family, and education
 - Activities
 - Essay (some schools do not require)
- Test Scores (unless test-optional)
- Your Transcript
 - The level of rigor of your classes (College Prep, Honors, AP/IB/Dual Enrollment)
 - The grades you earned
- Your Recommendations (teachers and counselor)
- Any talent/unique skills/demonstrated passion
- Some colleges look at demonstrated interest (based off of possible supplemental essay answer, did you visit campus/attend local fair or rep visit at RBR, or did you reach out to admissions).

- Application- Complete and Submit
 - Biographical Profile, Family, Education, Testing (schools may be test-optional), Activities (both in/out of school including employment), Essay (not all colleges require), School Specific Questions (some school have supplemental essays)
 - Read and Sign FERPA WAIVER for recommendations
 - Some colleges REQUIRE you to self-report your grades (Self-Reported Academic Record)
- **Test Scores** from collegeboard.org or ACT.org (unless you choose test-optional or the college allows you to self-report until you commit in May)
- Naviance Information: Match Commonapp, Update colleges I am Applying to (select which application & deadline), Request Teacher Recommendations, Complete Resume, and Complete Self-Assessment
- Submit Counselor Google Form for each college
- **Check your email** for the college portal information to confirm materials are received (can take up to 2 weeks to process)

Common Application Example:



Everything must have a green check before you can submit!



Make sure to look at deadlines and college requirements under college information and you must complete the FERPA in order for any documents are able to be released from RBRHS.

• If you haven't already, sign up for and take the SATs (collegeboard.com), ACTs (act.org); all seniors will take SAT school-day on October 13th - sign up through school.

	ACT Dates, Dead core Release Dat		<u>Upcoming SAT Dates, Deadlines, and</u> <u>Score Release Dates</u>			
ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Score Release Date	SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Score Release Date	
July 17, 2021	June 18th	July 27th	August 28, 2021	July 30th	Sept. 10th	
September 11, 2021	Aug. 6th	Sept. 21st*	October 2, 2021	Sept. 3rd	Oct. 15th	
October 23, 2021	Sept. 17th	Nov. 2nd*	November 6, 2021	Oct. 8th	Nov. 19th	
December 11, 2021	Nov. 5th	Dec. 21st*	December 4, 2021	Nov. 4th	Dec. 17th	
February 12, 2022	Jan. 7th	Feb. 22nd*	March 12, 2022	Feb. 11th	Mar. 25th	
April 2, 2022	Feb. 25th	Apr. 12th*	May 7, 2022	Apr. 8th	May 20th	
June 11, 2022	May 6th	June 21st*	June 4, 2022	May 5th	July 13th	

*Remember to have your test scores sent to colleges directly from your accounts on Collegeboard and/or ACT.

- Test optional; some colleges also let you self-report on app
- Athletes for Division I or II: If you have not already done so, register with the NCAA at <u>NCAA Eligibility Center</u>; request transcript through the NCAA site

Naviance

1. Complete sections under "College" and "About Me"



2. Under COLLEGES go to Apply to College \rightarrow Match your account, add Colleges that I am applying to and Request Letters of Recommendation

Colleges I'm applying to							٩,	Search for colleges			
	It looks like you are not currently able to apply to Common App schools. Match your Common App account to Naviance Student account to get started.										
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	and App type										

3. Under "Colleges" go to Request Teacher Recommendations-Add Request, Select General Request***, and then write a nice note to ask and thank the teacher:) This will send the same letter to every college.

Submit the College Application Processing Request Form for YOUR Guidance Counselor

- <u>Mrs. Byrd</u>
- <u>Mr. Desiere</u>
- <u>Mrs. Greene</u>
- <u>Ms. McLaughlin</u>
- <u>Ms. Pirher</u>
- <u>Ms. Tirrell</u>

Remember to complete this form for EVERY college to which you apply. You **must submit** your application before you complete this form!!!

Submitting College Applications Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

- Complete the Official Document Review and Release Request posted on the Parent Portal- we cannot release information without parent/guardian permission
- Complete the Early Decision Agreement Form (if applicable)
- Complete the Financial Aid Forms by deadlines (determined by each college)
 - <u>Free Application for Federal Student Aid</u> (FAFSA)
 - CSS Profile (only required by some colleges)
 - College Financial Aid Forms (only required by some colleges)
 - Complete Equal Opportunity Fund Forms (if applicable)
- Support your child in the process, but do not complete the student responsibilities, and ASK Questions to the guidance staff as we are here to help.

Submitting College Applications Counselor/Guidance Staff Responsibilities

- Guide your child in your college search and application process.
- Complete and submit a counselor written evaluation based on his/her knowledge of your child and information provided in your resume, and the RBRHS Parent/Guardian Insight for Counselor Rec and the RBRHS Student Self-Assessment for Recommendation.
- Send transcript (either ranked or unranked based off of the Official Document Review and Release Request).
- Send teacher recommendations (if applicable).
- Send outside recommendations; please have letters email from recommender directly to your counselor.
- Process all materials within 10 school days from when you submit form.

College Procedures

Deadlines

- All required materials must be submitted to Guidance 10 school days before the college's deadline (although you may bring them earlier).
- When you are ready to submit your first application requests, it is <u>mandatory</u> that you make an appointment with your counselor.
- DON'T FORGET the supplemental materials esp. for RUTGERS, UDEL & PENN STATE SRAR (Self-Reported Academic Record)

College Procedures Continued

College Deadline	RBRHS Deadline to Submit Forms (always 10 school days)			
November 1st	October 19th			
November 15th	October 31st			
December 1st	November 15th *Thanksgiving break			
January 1st	December 10th *Winter Holiday Break			
February 1st	January 19th			
Deadline not listed	Always 10 school days prior			

Guidance will always send out your school information, but if you miss these deadlines we cannot guarantee your school materials will be sent to college by the deadline.

Transcript Review

		Red B	ank Regio	nal High School			
Student Name & Addre	35			High School Name & . Red Bank Regiona 101 Ridge Road Little Silver, NJ 07	I High School		
				732-842-8000			
Parent or Guardian			Student ID	SID Sex M		Date of Birth	
Guidance Counselor Byrd, Maria		CEEB Code 311300		Entry Withdrawal 09/06/2018		Graduation 06/17/2022	
		S	itudent Acader	nic History		Official 1	Transcript
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- 1. Confirm your name and address are correct.
- 2. Confirm your date of birth is correct.
- 3. Confirm all of your classes are listed (including summer school).
- 4. Decide if your class rank will help or hurt you in the college application process.
- 5. Review transcript with your parent/guardian.
- 6. Parent or guardian must complete the Official Document Review and Release Request on Parent Portal in order for your records to be released.

For outside RBR recommendations:

- Have the outside RBR recommenders email their letters of recommendation directly to school counselor
- Please have this done 2 weeks before any deadline.
- Not all colleges require or accept outside recommendations.

Second Semester Activities

- Scholarships/Financial Aid: Check Naviance, <u>www.fastweb.com</u>, <u>www.scholarships.com</u>, <u>www.finaid.org</u> for scholarships and other funding opportunities
- RBRHS Scholarship Opportunities (helps with cost of books and living expenses).

Staying Connected

- Sign –up for Student Portal/Parent Portal for daily classroom grades and Guidance announcements
- Naviance/Family connection Parent & Student account access/updates
- Join Guidance Twitter @RBRHS_Guidance
- Daily Announcements for Students/Google Classroom
- Guidance Quarterly Bulletins
- Join Guidance Remind to get notifications

Day	Smart Phone Code- Open Web Browser and go to link listed	Text for Non-Smart Phone Text Code listed to 81010
A Day	rmd.at/h3cd64f	@h3cd64f
B Day	rmd.at/2h9hff	@2h9hff

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Questions?