PERRY HALL HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2024

College Application Guide



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THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

Welcome to your senior year! This booklet provides you with important instructions to complete the college application process. Please share it with your parents and keep it as a resource to use throughout the year. The booklet includes current and useful information for choosing and applying to college and financing the cost of college. Please pay close attention to deadlines. The colleges, school counseling office, and other organizations to which you may be submitting documents expect you to meet designated deadlines.

It is critical that you discuss your post-high school plans with your parents, teachers, school counselor, and others whose opinions you value. Communicate with your counselor on a regular basis so she can be of assistance with the process.

Your senior year of high school is important to the college admissions counselors. They expect you to continue challenging yourself with rigorous courses and to continue participating in extra curricular activities and contributing to your community. Most of all, your grades should be as strong as possible. The college admissions office will likely review your mid-year and will definitely review your final transcript to ascertain your continued eligibility for admission to college.



College Planning Calendar

September

- o Discuss your classes, college plans, & test scores with your school counselor
- o Utilize NAVIANCE
- o Create online application accounts
- o Stay organized. Set up a filing system.
- o Arrange campus visits.
- o Register to take the SAT/ACT early in the Fall.
- Begin to search for scholarships & grants (a year long process). Use free online search websites.
 See the list in this booklet.

October

- Make transcript requests in Naviance, your counselor will send your transcript to colleges through Naviance.
- Ask for letters of recommendation from school counselor, teachers, coaches (you will likely only need TWO letters)
- o Write/re-write/review/re-write college application essays.
- o Complete early action applications.
- o Take SAT/ACT again if needed.

November

- o Continue completion and submission of applications (November deadlines).
- Fill out and submit colleges' required financial aid forms (FAFSA (December), CSS Profile, Institutional Financial Aid forms).
- When you have financial aid questions, contact the appropriate college FAO (financial aid office) or your college counselor.

December

- o FAFSA COMPLETION EARLY— ACCESS BEGINS early December
- o Continue completion and submission of applications (December deadlines).
- o Search for additional sources of financial aid including local and national scholarships.
- o Stay organized. Keep copies of all forms submitted by mail or online.
- o Continue to track important dates and deadlines on your calendar.

January-March

- o College decision and financial award letters start rolling in.
- o Arrange to have mid-year transcripts sent to colleges as needed.
- o Check with each college, as some may have earlier financial aid deadlines.
- o Check online for your Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FAFSA.
- Be sure to discuss any special circumstances affecting your family's financial situation with the FAO at the college you are planning to attend. You may need to file an appeal for more financial aid through the FAO.
- Respond quickly to college requests for additional documentation

April

- o Carefully analyze your letters of acceptance and financial aid offers.
- o Make a decision & send your deposit (most colleges ask for response by 5/1).
- Contact the colleges that you have been accepted to but have decided not to attend so they will be able to give your spot to someone on their waiting list.
- o Carefully follow the directions in your acceptance letter (esp. important deadlines, instructions on housing, financial aid, orientation, etc.).

May

- o Fill out the form provided by the school counseling office to specify which college should receive your final official transcript.
- Respond quickly to requests and return necessary forms—when in doubt contact the **financial aid office** (**FAO**).
- Notify your FAO of any additional funding you'll be receiving to pay for college (scholarships and loans, etc.).
- Evaluate student loan lenders and take time to understand student loans.
 Learn about borrowing responsibly. When in doubt, contact the FAO or your college counselor.

Things to Consider When Choosing a College

Academic program
Location (urban, suburban, rural)
Size (small, medium, large)
Extracurricular activities
Housing accommodations
Dining provisions
Health and counseling services
Safety
Actual cost of attending
Diversity
Technology resources
Religious affiliation
Job placement services for graduates



RESEARCHING COLLEGE

Keep an open mind to the possibilities:

Use NAVIANCE, college search websites, College Board, and your school counseling office resources to narrow the list to a manageable number of colleges.

Colleges offer open house programs in the fall for seniors and their parents. Physically placing yourself on the campus and talking to staff and students gives you a better sense of yourself in that environment. You may also be able to schedule an interview to speak to an admissions representative. Make the appointment prior to the open house visit. Take a copy of your transcript with you to the interview. Take a copy of the "Questions to Ask on A College Visit", that is included in the booklet, with you to the open house program.

There are also virtual tours and interactive communication sites with current students on the internet that can <u>help</u> in your search for the college that is the best fit for you.

The Perry Hall College Fair 9/27/23 @ 6:30 pm & The NACAC College Fairs on 9/26/23 from 6:30-8:30 pm provide opportunities to speak with college representatives in person and virtually.

Representatives from many colleges schedule visits to Perry Hall's School Counseling Office throughout the first semester. You may sign up to meet with visiting college admissions officers by signing up in Naviance under "What's New" link and then click on "More Info/Register" to sign up. The Counseling Office will send you a pass in first period the morning of the visit.

Community Colleges

For many students, a community college provides the best fit for the transition from high school to college. Also, difficult economic times have required students and parents to explore alternatives to entering four-year college programs as freshmen. Community Colleges provide many opportunities for students. Financially, they are much less expensive than four-year colleges. Students are admitted regardless of their educational experience. In general, University of Maryland System Colleges have transfer agreements with the community colleges in Maryland to accept transfer credits toward bachelor's degree programs.

Military Academies and ROTC Scholarship Programs

Students considering application to military academies and ROTC programs must start the process prior to senior year. Seek the assistance of your counselor with this application process.

Athletes

If you are planning to participate in Division I or II sports in college, you must register with the NCAA ASAP at http://www.ncaa.org/ or Google NCAA Clearinghouse.

Some Important "Early" Definitions

Many students like the idea of applying to colleges early, having the process completed by winter break, allowing them to focus on the scholarship process during the second semester. Applying early might, in fact, be a good idea for some students. Below is an explanation of some of the terms used to describe the various ways of applying early:

Early Decision

Several schools offer an admission plan for those students who are certain of their college choice during the first semester of their senior year. Application deadlines for **early decision** plans are usually in October or November. A student who applies to a school under an **early decision** must sign a contract (as do the student's parents and college counselor) which states that the student will commit to that school if accepted. The student also states that he/she will withdraw all other applications submitted to other schools and that he/she will not submit any others. **Applying to a school early decision is a serious and binding commitment.**

Students applying early are reviewed primarily on the basis of their performance through junior year, so the early decision option is usually advisable only for students with outstanding academic records. Responses for early decision applicants are usually received before winter break of the senior year. A student may apply to only one school as an early decision candidate, so if you decide to do this, you should be sure that it is the school you would like to attend.

Early Action

This is a decision plan similar to that described above, but the **important difference** is that your acceptance is not binding. Most early action deadlines are in November and December, and you will usually receive a decision before winter break. You will have until the May 1st National Decision Date, to decide whether or not you will attend that school. You may still apply to other schools even if accepted

under this plan. Decisions under this plan are made primarily on the basis of your performance through junior year.

PRIORITY

This decision plan is usually the same as Early Action but may be linked to scholarship money.

Helpful Hints on Choosing a College

Select colleges that will best satisfy your needs, interests, lifestyle, and personal and professional goals. A good "match" between you and your college will be the key to your success and happiness over the next four years. Establish with your parents the budget for application fees and only apply to colleges that you really would attend if accepted. To help you make that difficult final decision, the following "helpful hints" may assist you in determining which college is right for you.

1. Visit Colleges

Visit the colleges you are considering when classes are in session. We recommend that you tour the campus, attend one or two classes, meet with the faculty in the department which interests you, eat in the dining hall, and, perhaps most importantly, talk with current students. Students are the best sources of information about the college; they will talk honestly and knowledgeably about the social life, academic program, and atmosphere on campus, dorm life, and other topics that are important to you. If possible, plan to spend one night in a college dormitory. It will enable you to communicate informally with students, get the "feel" of the campus, and "sample" life as a student. The Admissions Office at most colleges will arrange an overnight visit for you, either before or after acceptance. Remember that you are not just choosing a place to go to school; you are also choosing a home for the next four years. It should be a place where you feel comfortable, relaxed, involved, and challenged.

2. Consider Actual Cost Rather Than "Sticker Price."

Unfortunately, some students base their college choice on the "sticker price" - the full cost for tuition, fees, room and board - rather than on the <u>actual</u> cost of attending. Most colleges offer significant amounts of financial aid, including non-repayable grants, to students with demonstrated need. In addition, colleges frequently offer installment payment plans, low interest loans, academic scholarships, jobs on campus, and other forms of aid to students, irrespective of need. When all forms of aid are considered, a college education, either private or public, can be surprisingly affordable. Apply for aid (even if you don't think you qualify) and consider actual cost when making your final decision.

COLLEGE ADMISSION TESTING

Most four-year colleges require the SAT or ACT under normal circumstances. Due to COVID-19, many colleges have gone test-optional, meaning, you have the option to submit test scores or not. If you do not submit test scores, remember that all other pieces of your application will take on more weight. You may decide to take an SAT prep course through another institution. There are SAT preparation programs

through the high school, at Community Colleges, online at www.collegeboard.org or through private companies such as Kaplan, Huntington, or Sylvan (these can be very costly). To register online for the SAT, go to www.collegeboard.org. To register for the ACT, go to www.act.org. If you are applying to a college early, take the SAT/ACT test no later than October of your senior year so your scores will be available at the time you submit your application.

At the time of registration for your SAT/ACT tests, you may request your scores be sent to up to four colleges of your choice at no additional cost. Additional requests for score reports can also be made at a later time for a fee. Students who qualify for Free/Reduced lunch may qualify for a fee waiver for the cost of the SAT/ACT. See your counselor to get the SAT or ACT fee waiver if you participate in the Free/Reduced lunch program. It is the **student's responsibility** to request his/her official scores be sent directly from the College Board or ACT to each college.



SAT Testing Dates and Deadlines

| SAT Test DATES | Registration Deadline \$60 test fee | Late Registration Deadline | | | |
|------------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| 2023-24 | | Online \$30 late fee | Changes to Registration \$25 change fee | | |
| October 7, 2023 | September 7 | September 26 | September 26 | | |
| November 4, 2023 | October 5 | October 24 | October 24 | | |
| December 2, 2023 | November 2 | November 21 | November 21 | | |
| March 9, 2024 | February 23 | February 27 | February 27 | | |
| May 4, 2024 | April 19 | April 23 | April 23 | | |
| June 1, 2024 | May 16 | May 21 | May 21 | | |

Students who qualify for free/reduced lunch should request a fee waiver from their School Counselor. Scores must be sent directly from College Board and from ACT to colleges. When registering students can designated up to 4 colleges included in the registration fee.

ACT Testing Dates and Deadlines

| 2023-24 Test Dates | Test | Registration De | eadlines | |
|-----------------------|------|---|----------------------------|--|
| | | Regular No Writing \$60 Test plus writing \$85 | Late (\$36 fee applies) | |
| September 9 | ACT | August 4 | August 18 | |
| October 28 | ACT | September 22 | October 6 | |
| December 9 | ACT | November 3 | November 17 | |
| February 10 | ACT | January 5 | January 19 | |
| April 13 | ACT | March 8 | March 22 | |
| June 8 | ACT | May 3 | May 17 | |
| July 13 | ACT | June 7 | June 21 | |

RELEASE OF SCHOOL RECORDS

Official Transcript Permission Form/College Transcript Permission Form

An essential step in the college application process is to have your high school transcript sent to the colleges to which you are applying. Have your parent/guardian, **if you are under 18 years old**, sign the **Naviance Transcript Release form**, provided in this booklet and available in hard-copy through the counseling office, which allows your counselor to send your official high school record of classes, grades, class rank and GPA to colleges. The Release of Record or College Transcript Permission Form requires a parent/guardian signature to comply with federal law. Complete the required information and return the form to the counseling office. Transcripts are usually sent to colleges electronically, but some colleges require that a "hard-copy" be sent. If you need a paper copy, you will submit your request with the School Counseling Secretary. At mid-year, your transcript will be sent only to the colleges that require one. You must again complete a request that a "mid-year" transcript be sent if your college requires that.

After you graduate, one final transcript will be sent to the college that you report to us at the end of your senior year, by filling out and returning a senior survey online.

School counselors will need at least seven (7) school days to process transcript requests.

Completing the College Application

The application process has been made a little easier with the use of NAVIANCE and the Common Application. Read directions carefully. Look for key words such as Early ACTION, Early Decision or REGULAR DECISION. How you apply DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE in the admissions process. Make sure you complete your application **completely** and **accurately** (and **neatly if you are completing the rare paper application) and by the deadline.**

Most college applications have an associated application fee which is non-refundable. **Students who use a fee waiver for the SAT/ACT test may also be able to get a fee waiver for <u>some</u> college applications. Students may also have application fees waived by college admissions representatives by visiting a college. Submit your application in sufficient time so that it is received before the application deadline date.**

How to Obtain a College Application

- 1. Different colleges use different types of applications. Many colleges use the Common Application which is one application and essay that can then be submitted to any college using the Common App. Applications will be available on www.CommonApp.org. If the college you are looking for does not show up in a search on the Common App website, then they do not accept that application. Students will need to link their NAVIANCE account with their Common App to ensure that teacher recommendations and transcripts can be processed and sent. Linking Common App and Naviance Watch the video with directions on how to do this located on your home page of Naviance.
- 2. Some colleges have their own application located on their website. Sometimes, this is the only way to apply or sometimes they give the option of their own application or the Common App. If that is the case, they have no preference. A college's application will be typically located under the "Admissions" tab on their website.
- 3. Many HBCU's (Historically Black Colleges and Universities) use the Common Black College Application located at https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/

Application Essay

The application essay is a perfect opportunity for you to directly address the college's admission committee to introduce them to you from a personal perspective. You can share your reasons for applying to a particular college, career goals, insights, and opinions as well as your accomplishments. Through your essay, the committee will be able to assess your communication skills, while acquiring a broader understanding of your attitudes, feelings, imagination, and creativity. The essay should help them to distinguish you as an individual from the other applicants. The essay should reflect your personal voice.

Arrange with your English teacher to have him/her read the rough draft of your essay and assist you with changes, as needed. Remember, this is a process that takes time. It will require you to write,

revise, and rewrite several times. Ideally, you should start your essay in the Spring of your Junior year to afford yourself the time to create a well written essay that you will be proud to submit to the admission committee.

Follow-up after Completion of the Application

Verify with your college that they have received your application, letters of recommendation, transcript, Standardized Test Scores, etc. **Do not assume that your application is complete until you have obtained that confirmation**. A college will not consider your application complete unless they have all required materials by the deadline. Even one missed item will cause you to miss the deadline. A second in-person visit to your top-choice colleges can assist you in making the final decision as to where you will attend college.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Counselor Recommendation:

Most applications require a School Counselor assessment and/or Secondary School Report. Most Secondary School Reports will be completed by your counselor electronically. It is your responsibility to speak to your School Counselor to ensure that this form is completed and then to complete the required NAVIANCE process and submit it to your counselor.

The counselor will need at least ten (10) school days to complete your letter of recommendation and secondary school report before it is submitted to the college to which you are applying. Please watch your deadline date to ensure that your paperwork will be completed by the date designated.

Teacher Recommendations:

Some colleges require/accept teacher recommendations. Carefully consider one or two teachers, preferably ones who you have worked closely with who will write a complimentary recommendation for you. It can/may be a teacher from a previous year. Meet with the teacher(s) personally and provide a copy of your student activity summary/resume, unless they can access it on Naviance. Make sure that you have also completed your Senior Brag Sheet located at the link on the homepage of your Naviance account. Provide your teacher time to complete a recommendation; at least *Three weeks prior* to your deadline date. Follow up with the teacher with a thank you note and verify with them that the recommendation has been completed.

Types of Financial Aid

<u>Grants</u> – This type of aid does not have to be repaid, but there may be an obligation regarding grades while in college, selection of major, or employment upon graduation. Grants are awards that may be based on financial need or other eligibility criteria.

<u>Scholarships</u> – Scholarship recipients may have to meet criteria such as academic achievement, extra curricular activities, community involvement, etc. They may also require certain criteria to be met while in college.

<u>Federal Loans</u> – These usually have lower interest rates than commercial loans and must be repaid generally after you have graduated or left college.

<u>Student employment or work aid</u> – This may mean a job that the college located for you or employment you found on your own.



How to Apply for Financial Aid

Look on the websites of the colleges to which you are applying to request specific information about institutional scholarships and institutional financial aid. This will usually be located under the "Financial Aid" tab/link. Complete the institutional financial aid forms neatly, accurately, completely and timely. Meet your deadlines!

Use **free** websites to do scholarships searches (some sites are available in this packet). Start your search for scholarships early in your senior year. Scholarships are available throughout the year. Criteria for scholarships vary widely: academic merit, leadership, service to school and community, talent, financial need, etc. Scholarships that are advertised to PHHS will be added to Naviance where you can access the link or application. Local scholarships will be advertised and available on Schoology and in the Counseling Office.

FAFSA

Timeline for FAFSA—early December

The FAFSA is the U.S. Dept. of Education's *free application for federal student aide*. The FAFSA is used by colleges to determine eligibility for financial assistance. Go to https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm to get your FAFSA ID that you will need to be able to complete the FAFSA. Complete the FAFSA as early as possible beginning in early December. The form should be done online at: www.fafsa.ed.gov (this is a **FREE** application). Most colleges award financial need monies based on the determination of need on the FAFSA report. You will need your ID to access the student aid report (SAR) online.

The State of Maryland requires that you complete the FAFSA to be considered for any State financial aid programs. You will need to create an MDCaps account to access MD aid. Information about scholarships available through the Maryland Higher Education Commission can be accessed at www.mhec.state.md.us

CSS PROFILE

The CSS/PROFILE is a financial aid application used by some number of private colleges and universities. The CSS Profile is a very detailed financial application used by colleges/universities to determine financial need. There is a fee for this application. Apply early. Check the Colleges website to see if this form is required.

Attend the financial aid evening presentation with your parents here at our school. The Counseling Office at PHHS sponsors a Financial Aid Night on October 5th and FAFSA Completion Days TBD.

Please be aware of and alert to financial aid and scholarship search scams. Be careful of scams from unscrupulous people who wish to charge you for scholarship searches that you can do for free. You should NOT be charged for a scholarship search. Remember, you should not spend money to get money!

HELPFUL WEBSITES

Naviance: www.naviance.com (Must be logged in to your BCPS Google account and log in via "Clever")

The College Board: https://www.collegeboard.org/

The National Association of College Admission Counselors (NACAC) - a good resource to an array of links: www.nacac.com

ACT - includes test registration and test-prep information: www.act.org

Peterson's -links to the company's many resources: www.petersons.com

US News and World Report - be wary of the rankings, but there is much to learn at this site. The "school comparison" feature is great: https://www.usnews.com/education

Colleges That Change Lives - site based on best-selling, highly regarded college advisor, Loren Pope. Insights about some wonderful and sometimes overlooked places: https://ctcl.org/

CollegeNET - an all-purpose site with a host of useful links and programs: https://www.collegenet.com/elect/app/app

Princeton Review - Test prep, college search and other college-related info: https://www.princetonreview.com/

The Common Application – 900+ schools accept it and you should use it if available for your schools of choice. www.commonapp.org

Historically Black Colleges Common Application - find applications for 58 different institutions: https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/

FINANCIAL AID

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - A must for anyone applying for need-based aid. You can apply online: www.fafsa.ed.gov

Completing the FAFSA - detailed, step-by-step guidance on completing the form: https://www.nitrocollege.com/fafsa-guide

Compare Financial Aid Packages – part of College Board site that allows you to compare financial aid packages: https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/financial-aid-awards/compare-aid-calculator

Comparing Financial Aid Awards - A US News and World Report product that provides helpful charts enabling you to line up and compare awards:

http://www.usnews.com/usnews/edu/college/tools/brief/awards_brief.php

Bold.org - Scholarship search service that is home to exclusive scholarships that are not listed anywhere else: https://bold.org/applicants/

Cappex – Every college, every scholarship - <u>www.cappex.com</u>

CSS Profile - If applying to private schools, check to see if they require this form. You can apply online: http://profileonline.collegeboard.com/index.jsp

FINAID - general site for anything having to do with aid: www.finaid.org/

FastWeb - general financial aid site with great scholarship search engine as well as an EFC calculator function: www.fastweb.com/

Sallie Mae - information about loans and payment options as well as a scholarship search engine: www.salliemae.com/

Student Guide on Financial Aid - Government site, a comprehensive site with info available in both Spanish and English: https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/resources

Peterson's – A guide to upcoming scholarships: https://www.petersons.com/college-search/scholarship-search/

Scholarships - A free resources for finding scholarships and other information about aid: www.scholarships.com

Savings Plans - Though by the time you are an upperclassman in high school, this information might be too late, finding out about 529 Plans may offer some help: www.savingforcollege.com & www.collegesavings.org

Broke Scholar - Free search engine with links to more than 900,000 college scholarships: www.brokescholar.com

Scholarship Scams - A Federal Trade Commission-run site. It is always good to check on what you learn about on the web: https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-avoid-scholarship-and-financial-aid-scams

Unigo – A search site for all types of scholarships by category. www.unigo.com

Going Merry – Scholarship match service. https://www.goingmerry.com

Central Scholarships – Specifically for MD students – open Jan 1st. https://central-scholarship.org/

College Green Light – for first generation and underrepresented students. https://www.collegegreenlight.com

Career One Stop – Career exploration as well as over 8,000 scholarships and grants. https://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-scholarships.aspx

State of MD Financial Aid – For students who will be staying in-state for school, grants and scholarships are available through the State of MD. www.mhec.state.md.us

SPECIAL INTEREST

National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) - www.ncaa.org

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) - www.naia.org

Hillel: The Foundation for Jewish Campus Life - www.hillel.org

Diversity Questions for Colleges: What to Ask - designed to help students of color navigate the college admission process: https://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/articles/diversity-questions-for-colleges-what-to-ask

Historically Black Colleges – https://hbculifestyle.com/list-of-hbcu-schools/

Jesuit Colleges - www.ajcunet.edu

Macleans - For those looking into Canadian schools, this is an invaluable resource: www.macleans.ca/universities/

Canadian Colleges - A general and very helpful site: https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-permit/prepare/choose-school-college-university.html

Association on Higher Education and Disability - host of information posted by international, multicultural organization of professionals committed to full participation in higher education for persons with disabilities: http://www.ahead.org/

Children and Adults with ADD - www.chadd.org

American Association of University Women - www.aauw.org/

LD Online - Interactive learning guide on disabilities for parents, children and educators: www.ldonline.org

Attention Deficit Disorder Association - Resource on huge array or ADD/ADHD-related issues: https://add.org/

Peace Corp - main resource on the ultimate service learning project: http://www.peacecorps.gov/

CAREER INFORMATION

ASVAB Career Exploration Program - Developed by Department of Defense; free, comprehensive career site: www.asvabprogram.com

US Department of Labor - All the numbers one could possibly hope for in career planning: https://www.bls.gov/k12/

Department of Commerce - Gov. site with host of info on government jobs and other data: https://www.commerce.gov/

Today's Military: A comprehensive website detailing all branches of the military. https://www.todaysmilitary.com/

ALTERNATIVE AND YEAR-OFF PROGRAMS

Internship Programs – Listings of +7800 programs and 200,000 positions: http://www.internshipprograms.com/

Study Abroad - www.studyabroad.com

Americorps - National Service Program: https://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/americorps

City Year - National Youth Service Organization - www.cityyear.org

Earthwatch Institute - Info on this research, conservation and education organization: http://earthwatch.org/

Eurolingua Institute - info on language immersion study abroad programs: http://www.eurolingua.com/

Outward Bound - link for adventure-based environmental program: http://www.outwardbound.org/

QUESTIONS TO ASK DURING YOUR COLLEGE VISIT

You may have only a short time on campus for a tour or open house visit. Prioritize the questions that are most important for you to have answered.

What percent of students receive financial aid?

Are faculty members available to assist me with my course selection/Will I have a faculty advisor?

Do professors or graduate students teach freshman courses?

What is the typical class size?

Does the college have an active Career Center to help me prepare for a successful transition to the world of work after graduation?

What is the atmosphere on campus? Friendly? Relaxed? Competitive? Pressured?

What tutorial assistance is available to students?

What part do fraternities and sororities play in the social and extra curricular life of the college?

Does the college provide study abroad and/or internship opportunities?

Does the college support an active visiting speaker's program as well as a diverse mixture of entertainment?

What are the percentages of graduates accepted to graduate, medical, and law schools?

How flexible are dormitory living spaces?

Are students guaranteed on-campus housing? How long are they guaranteed?

Are there medical and counseling services available on campus?

Are there part-time employment opportunities on campus and in the surrounding community?

Is there public transportation to shopping, airports, train stations, and the bus depot?

NAVIANCE

This <u>DOES NOT SEND YOUR TRANSCRIPT</u> You must still RULE 5230, Form A request your transcripts to be sent in Naviance. (See 10 step document)



BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF STUDENT RECORDS

<u>INSTRUCTIONS</u>: This form authorizes the Baltimore County Public Schools to disclose personally identifiable information from the student record. Complete the form, sign where indicated and return the completed form to the principal where the student is enrolled.

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|--|-----------------|---------|--------|------------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| STUDENT INFORMATION | | | | | | | |
| Student's Last Name | | First | | | Middle Initial | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Mailing Address | | | City/ | State/Zip | | School | |
| | | | | | | Perry Hall High School | |
| STUDENT RECORD | (s) AUTHORIZEI | то | BE R | TELEASE | D (MARK A | L THAT A | APPLY) |
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| AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION | | | | | | | |
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| I certify that I am the parent and legal guardian of the student, or eligible student if age 18 or over. | | | | | | | |
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| I hereby authorize Baltimore County Public Schools to release the student record(s) identified above. I | | | | | | | |
| understand that the recipient of the student record(s) will use the record(s) for legitimate interests only and that the information contained therein shall not be further transferred or communicated to any other | | | | | | | |
| party or agency without my expressed written consent except under authority of the Educational Rights | | | | | | | |
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| and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. §1232g. | | | | | | | |
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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION REQUEST FORM

Sample Letter to Teacher/Counselor Recommender for College Application (To be done only <u>after</u> the teacher has agreed to write you a recommendation)

| Dear Dr./Mr./Ms. | | | | | |
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| Thank you for serving as a recommender for my college applications to | | | | | |
| | and | (list all of the | | | |
| colleges to which you plan to apply). | Attached to this no | ote you will find my studen | | | |
| my resume/student activities list. I a | m also available to | meet with you if you would | | | |
| like/need additional information in order to draft my recommendation letter. | | | | | |
| I have sent/will send a request to you through NAVIANCE so you can | | | | | |
| complete my recommendation. I have also asked my counselor, and teacher(s) | | | | | |
| to serv | e as a recommende | er(s) for me. | | | |
| Thank you for assisting me with my college application process. | | | | | |
| Sincerely, | | | | | |
| Your name | | | | | |
| Your email | | | | | |