HOW TO USE NAVIANCE

Waterbury area high schools are pleased to introduce Family Connection from Naviance, a web-based serviced designed especially for students and parents. Family connection is a comprehensive web site that you can use to help in making decisions about colleges and careers. Family Connection will allow you to:

- Get involved in the planning and advising process-build a resume, complete on-line surveys, and manage timelines and deadlines for making decisions about colleges and careers.
- Research colleges-compare GPA, standardized test scores and other statistics
- Learn about college visits and scholarships

Activate Your account

Go to http://connection.naviance.com/waterbury and use the personalized registration code you received from your guidance counselor to login. Set up your Naviance account as a new user. You will need to create a password and provide an email address. If you have already registered, you can skip this step. For returning users, the email address and the password you provided during registration will be your way to sign into your account.

Features to Explore

Feature	Description	How to Access
Resume	• Record your high school Activities, awards, volunteer experiences, etc • Rearrange your information into multiple printable versions of a resume that you can use to present to potential employers or colleges	1. Click the About Me Tab 2. Click the Resume hyperlink under the Interesting Things about Me section
Explore Interests	• Take a career survey, a tool that can help you discover the types of work activities and careers that match your interests. Use the results to explore suggested occupations, examine the education, training and skills required (and where to obtain them), as well as wages typical for these occupations	1. Click the Careers tab 2. Click the Career Interest Profiler hyperlink under the What Are My Interests Section

College Search	• Set search criteria to yield a list of colleges to explore. Save your search to access/modify later. • Click on the various tabs of the college profile (*general, admissions, financial aid, majors and degrees, and student life*) for additional information. • Add colleges you're interested in to your *My Colleges* list for future reference.	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *College Search* hyperlink under the *College Research* section
Maps	• Groups types of colleges by location. Click on a college to view its profile	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *College Maps* hyperlink under the *College Research* section
Scholarship List	• National, regional, local and collegiate sponsored scholarship opportunities. Database lists entries by name, deadline, award amount, merit vs need-base and application requirements; click on a column header to sort entries. You can also browse by category to yield a search relevant to your interests.	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *Scholarship List* hyperlink under the *Scholarships & Money* section
Application History	• Summary of DHS application results (admit, deny, enroll) by year.	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *College Lookup* hyperlink under the *College Research* section 3. After looking up and selecting a college, the *Application History* table appears in the middle of the page
School Statistics	• Historical summary of DHS application outcomes (number admitted, denied, etc.) by application decision plan (i.e., regular and early decision) by college.	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *College Lookup* hyperlink under the *College Research* section 3. After looking up and

	• Historical average of GPA, SAT and ACT scores for admitted applicants by college	selecting a college, click on *School Stats* hyperlink located beneath the college's contact information. Two tables are displayed: a) *Outcomes* and b) *GPA and Test Scores*
Graph	• Historical application results (admit, deny, waitlist) represented by a scattergram; applicant average GPA appears on the y-axis and applicant average SAT scores on the x-axis. For an applicant to be represented on a scattergram for a given college, three things must be present: • An application result (accepted or denied) • A GPA • A Test score	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *College Lookup* hyperlink under the *College Research* section 3. After looking up and selecting a college, click on *Graph* hyperlink located beneath the college's contact information
College Compare	• Compare your GPA and test scores to the average GPA and test scores of DHS admitted students for colleges you are considering. School averages are displayed in green when your numbers are higher and in red when your numbers are lower than those of past admitted students	1. Click the *Colleges* tab 2. Click the *Colleges I'm Thinking About* hyperlink from the *My Colleges* section 3. Click the *Compare Me* hyperlink above the table.