



Welcome Trojans Class of
2020!

Senior Talks 2019-
2020

Who is my counselor?

By Last Name:

- **A-D** – Mr. Massey
- **E-L** - Ms. Bellon
- **M-Q** – Ms. Franklin
- **R-Z** – New counselor TBD
 - See Ms. Franklin in the meantime
- Who is my College Adviser?
 - All students – Ms. Karout
- Career and Technical Education:
 - Ms. Ferreira
- Work Based Learning Coordinator:
 - Mr. Kim

Post-Graduation Options

- Military
- Workforce
- 2 Year/Community College/Technical and Vocational Programs
- 4-Year College



Military and Workforce

- Military

- Create an account on the branch's website (goarmy.com, airforce.com, navy.com, etc.) to get more info on ROTC programs, scholarships, and enlisting. Keep an eye out for recruiter visits at NCHS.
- Note: All male students are required to sign up for the selective service when turning 18.



- Workforce

- Contact Ms. Ferreira for career advising.
- Create a resume using Naviance's Resume Builder.
- Explore career paths using Naviance's career search tools.



2-Year Schools

- You do not need an SAT/ACT score or a certain GPA!
- No application fee
- You **will** need a transcript, Residency Determination, and FAFSA (if applicable)
- If you're interested in specialty jobs (welding, air conditioning repair, etc.) check out the offerings of 2-year schools
- You can transfer from a NC community college to a public NC university- cost effective and most (if not all) credits will transfer easily. Check university websites for their transfer application requirements (they often vary by major)



CENTRAL PIEDMONT
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

4 year school checklist

- ✓ Pay attention to deadlines & apply early!!
 - ✓ Naviance can organize all your college applications including early, regular, and rolling deadlines.
- ✓ Residency Determination on CFNC (for NC colleges!)
- ✓ Submit SAT/ACT scores through SAT & ACT websites
 - ✓ Retake tests if you need to. Make sure your scores will be available before college app deadlines!
- ✓ Send Transcripts through Naviance or CFNC. For Out-of-state schools or official paper copies, see Mrs. Elwood– the first 3 are free. After that they cost \$5 each.
- ✓ Tell Ms. Karout about acceptances so we can celebrate you!

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

QUEENS UNIVERSITY
of
CHARLOTTE



Minimum Admissions Requirements for UNC system schools

UNC System Minimum Course Requirements

- 4 units of English
- 2 consecutive language units (e.g. Spanish I and Spanish II)
- 4 units of math
- 3 units of science
 - At least 1 life science/biology course
 - At least 1 physical science (physical science, chemistry, physics)
- 2 units Social Studies
 - At least one US history course

If you don't meet these requirements but want to go to a UNC system public school (e.g. NC State, UNCW, NC A&T) transferring from a community college is an amazing option! See Ms. Karout.

Minimum GPA and Standardized Test Scores Requirements

- 2.5 weighted GPA
- 880 SAT or 17 ACT
 - If you take the test multiple times, they will take the highest score from each section, even if they were achieved on different test dates
"Superscore"
- Failure to meet any of these requirements means you won't be eligible for admission.
- Meeting these requirements does not guarantee admission!
- Some programs (e.g. nursing, engineering) may have additional requirements beyond the minimums. Always double check!

Financial Aid

- File your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) which opens on Oct. 1
 - Schools need this for Financial Aid
 - Complete the FAFSA even if you don't think your family will qualify for aid (most do).
 - Many scholarships require it as well!
- Some Schools Require the CSS Profile (Davidson, Duke, Elon, Chapel Hill, Wake Forest are the only NC colleges that require it)
- *Wednesday October 2, 2019 - Financial Aid Night @ Concord Middle School*
- Check the college's website to see if they have a priority financial aid deadline – sometimes applying later means receiving less money.
- Go ahead and **create your FSA ID** for yourself and a FSA ID for your parent/guardian.
- Never pay to find scholarships—it's a scam. Check the NCHS website for scholarship opportunities and scholarship search tips.

Federal Student Aid
An OFFICE of the U.S. DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION



Personal Statements and Essays

- Stick to the word count!
- Be sure it sounds like you.
- Edit Edit Edit – Colleges know your grades & activities, but this is your chance to show them your personality and describe your experiences.
- Always get a second (or third) person to look over your essays.
- Mention what you hope to accomplish, and how that specific school/program will help you do so.



Some more things...

- Have a professional email address that isn't your Cabarrus county email! You won't have access to your school email account when you graduate.
- Write down all your logins and passwords, in the notes section of your phone or somewhere else that you won't lose it!
- Planning to play sports in college? Talk to your coach about recruitment, and to Mr. Massey for NCAA eligibility.



College Application Week 2019

October 21st – 25th

- Apply to many NC colleges for free (even when you don't normally qualify for a fee waiver)
- Special college-related events all week long!

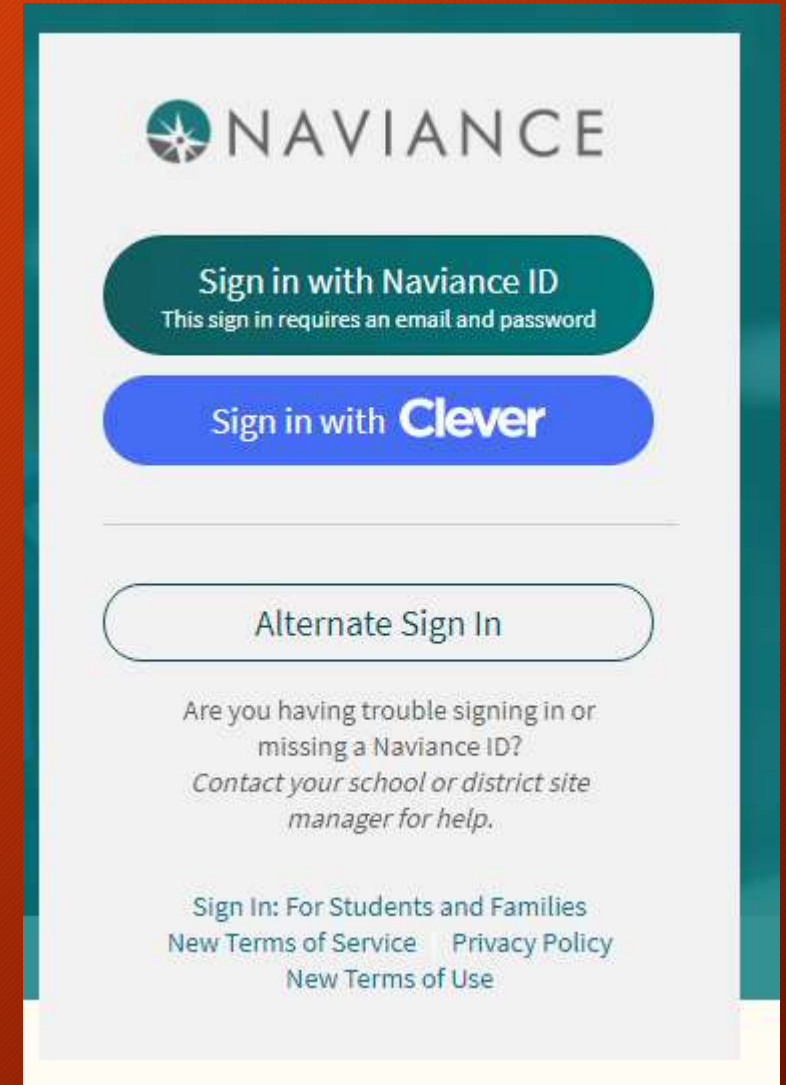


PUT THIS
on YOUR
CALENDAR!


Naviance

- Log in to Naviance using the Clever Instant login
- Enter your student email and password

id.naviance.com



The screenshot shows the Naviance login interface. At the top is the Naviance logo, which consists of a teal starburst icon followed by the word "NAVIANCE" in a sans-serif font. Below the logo are two primary login buttons: a teal button labeled "Sign in with Naviance ID" with the subtext "This sign in requires an email and password", and a blue button labeled "Sign in with Clever". A horizontal line separates these from an "Alternate Sign In" button, which is a white button with a teal border. Below this button is a message: "Are you having trouble signing in or missing a Naviance ID? Contact your school or district site manager for help." At the bottom of the page, there are four links: "Sign In: For Students and Families", "New Terms of Service", "Privacy Policy", and "New Terms of Use".

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Naviance Student Portal

1

Familiar Tabs: Drop down menus will help you navigate Naviance more easily!

2

Welcome Message, 2.0: Check out the Welcome Message from your school in the top left section. Click “Read more” to see the whole message.

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“My Favorites” combines your Careers and Colleges lists: Want to jump to your “favorites” lists more easily? We’ve got them all in one place for you here.

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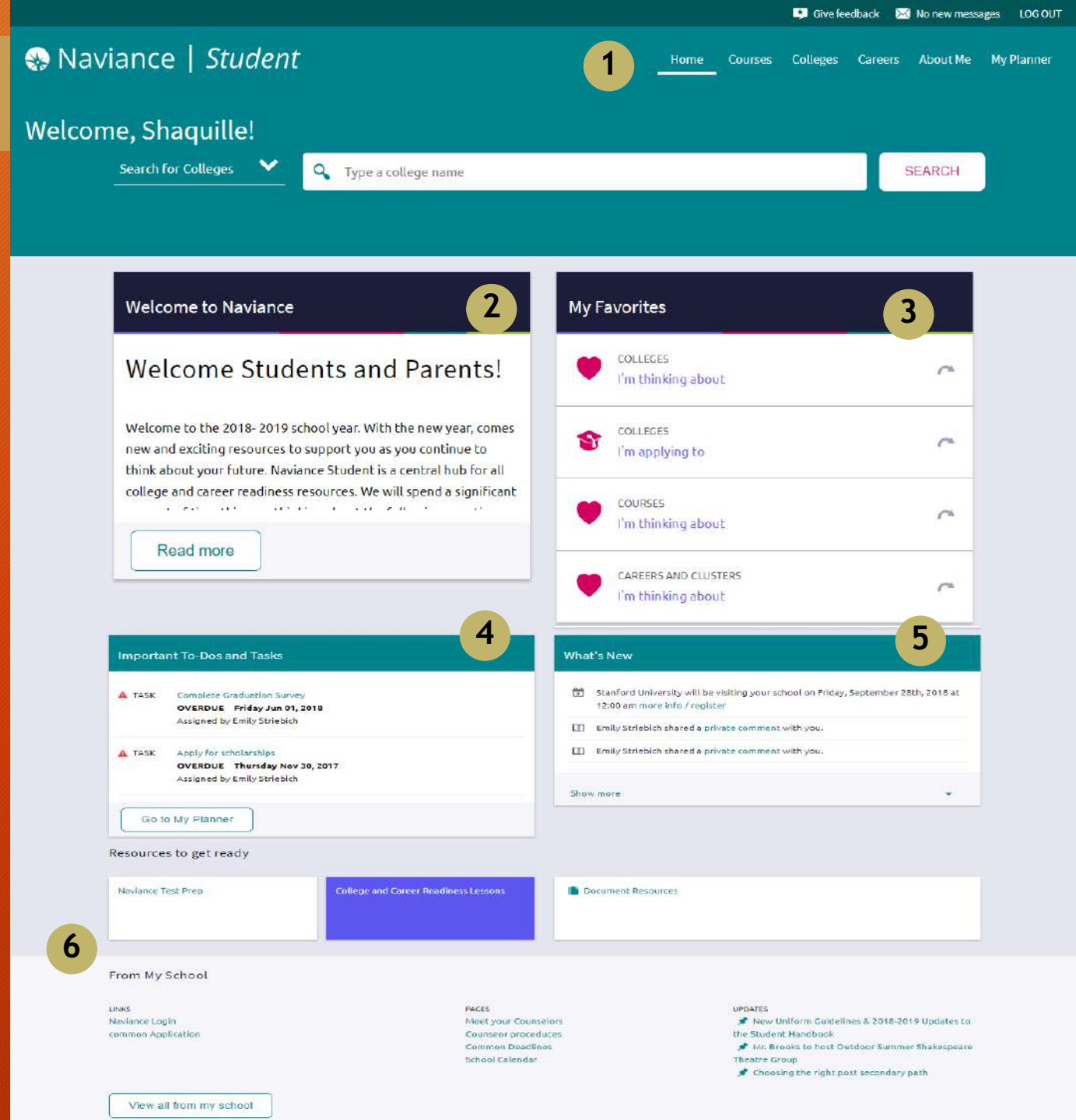
Important To-Dos and Tasks: Stay on top of you’re a-game by checking our what due dates are coming up. You can still view all tasks assigned to you in the My Planner tab.

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What’s New: Stay up to date on events, counselor messages, and other Naviance activities and updates.

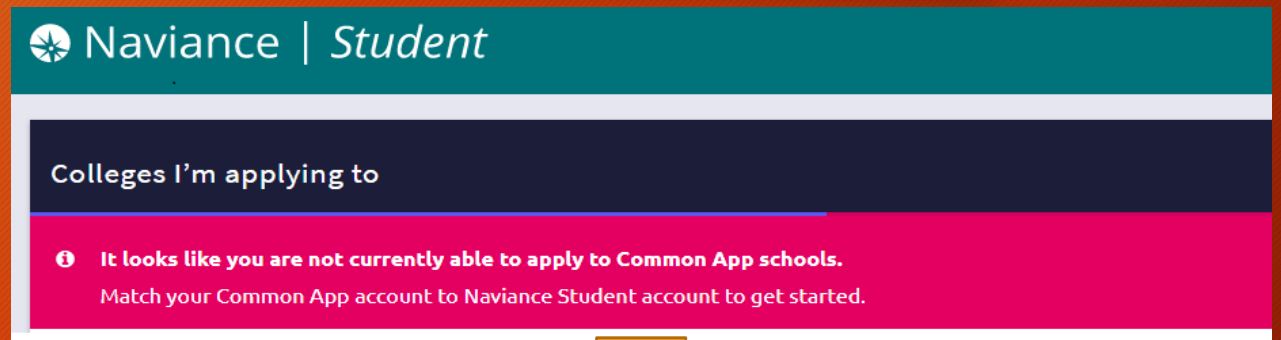
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From My School: Think of this as your digital resource library. Check out college and career related links, handouts from your counselors, and announcements from your school.



Connecting Common App to Naviance

- If you are applying to schools through CommonApp, you will link it with your Naviance account.
- Once synced, you track your progress on applications, see upcoming deadlines, request teacher recommendations, transcripts (also available through CFNC.org) , etc.

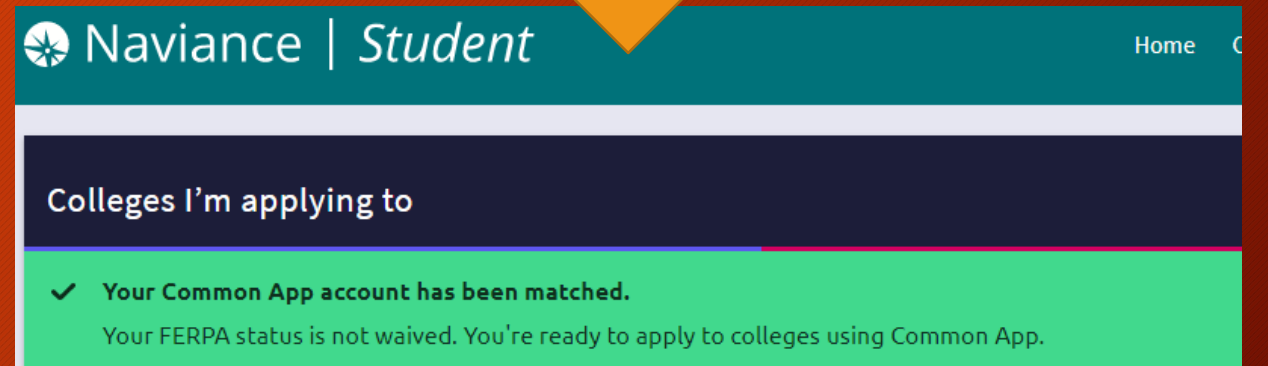


Naviance | Student

Colleges I'm applying to

ⓘ 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.

This screenshot shows the Naviance Student interface with a pink error message indicating that the user cannot apply to Common App schools because their accounts are not matched.



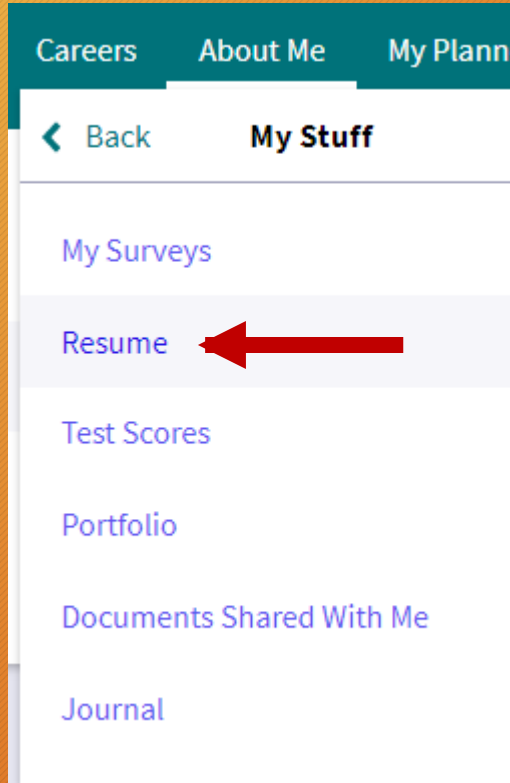
Naviance | Student Home

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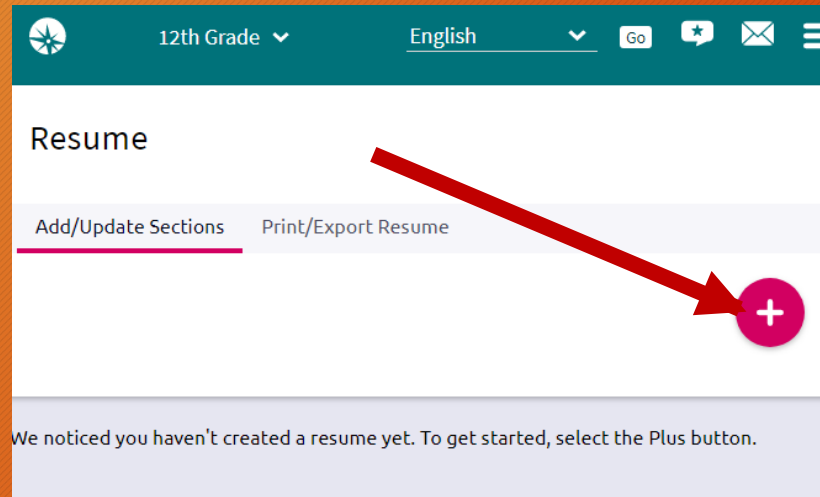
✓ Your Common App account has been matched.
Your FERPA status is not waived. You're ready to apply to colleges using Common App.

This screenshot shows the Naviance Student interface after successful synchronization, with a green success message and a confirmation that the user is ready to apply to colleges using Common App.

Resume Builder - Naviance

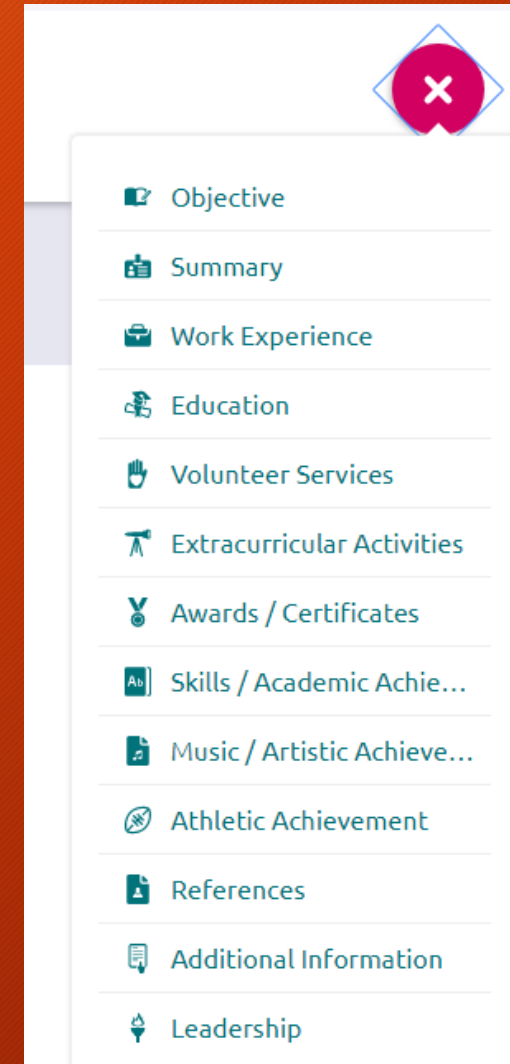


Top right corner,
About me → My
Stuff → Resume



Having a resume is essential for the job search and extremely helpful when applying to college and scholarships. Naviance's resume builder makes it easy.

Click on any section you want to include and customize your resume based your audience.



Focus on the activities that matter the most to you and that are most relevant to the opportunities you're seeking!

Naviance SuperMatch Tool

The image displays three screenshots of the Naviance SuperMatch tool interface. The first screenshot shows the 'My Favorites' section with three items: 'COLLEGES I'm thinking about' (circled in red), 'COLLEGES I'm applying to', and 'CAREERS AND CLUSTERS I'm thinking about'. The second screenshot shows the 'Quick Links' section with 'MORE SEARCH OPTIONS' containing 'SuperMatch®' (circled in red), 'Advance college search', and 'College lookup'. The third screenshot shows the 'SuperMatch College Search' interface with tabs for 'Choose Fit Criteria', 'Location', 'Academics', 'Admission', and 'Diversity'. The 'Location' tab is selected, showing search criteria for 'Search by distance' within 125 miles of ZIP code 28027.

- Enter your search criteria (location, diversity, size, majors)
- Enter your test scores and gpa under "admission tab"
- Find schools that are a "match"
- Narrow list based on "fit"
- Save schools to begin applying!

Match vs. Fit

Match: You fall within the range of their admitted students' average GPAs and Test Scores

Fit: The school has qualities that fit your preferences

Teacher Recommendations

- Request Recommendations through Naviance (new this year!)
- Giving teachers two weeks notice is usually enough.
- Always ask your teacher for a recommendation before signing them up for it.
- Give teachers your resume so they know everything you're involved in.
- Make sure your teacher knows the deadline.
- Ask the teachers/coaches who know you the best.
- Write thank you letters!

Letters of recommendation

Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation. If you don't have any colleges in your list yet, you may still make a request. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!

[Cancel](#) [Submit Request](#)

1. Who would you like to write this recommendation?*

Karout, Alia ▼

2. Select which colleges this request is for:*

All current and future colleges I add to my *Colleges I'm Applying To* list ⓘ
*Select only if you have no preference for which teachers will meet the recommendation requirements for each college

Choose **specific** colleges from your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list

Looks like you don't have colleges in your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list yet. Click [here](#) to add.

3. Include a personal note to remind your recommender about your great qualities and any specifics about your request:

Thank you so much Ms. Karout. I literally don't know what I'd do without you. If I get in I'm sending you on a cruise!

2881 characters remaining

[Cancel](#) [Submit Request](#)

Steps to take now

- Complete the **beginning of the year survey** on Naviance
- Most everything you need for college applications and career research can be done through Naviance.
- Create FSA ID on the FAFSA.gov website – save login and password somewhere you won't lose it (Notes app in your phone is a great place!)
- Register to retake SAT and/or ACT (see Ms. Karout if you need a fee waiver)

Have Questions About College? Need Help?

STOP BY MS. KAROUT'S OFFICE (A-18 in student services) for any of your post-secondary planning needs!

Email me!

Alia.Karout@Cabarrus.k12.nc.us



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→ Student Services



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