

# Class of 2018!

### NAVIANCE COLLEGE SEARCH PROCESS



LHS GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Today's Lesson

**Naviance Login** 



**NAVIANCE Research Tools** 

**College Search Procedures** 

**College List** 

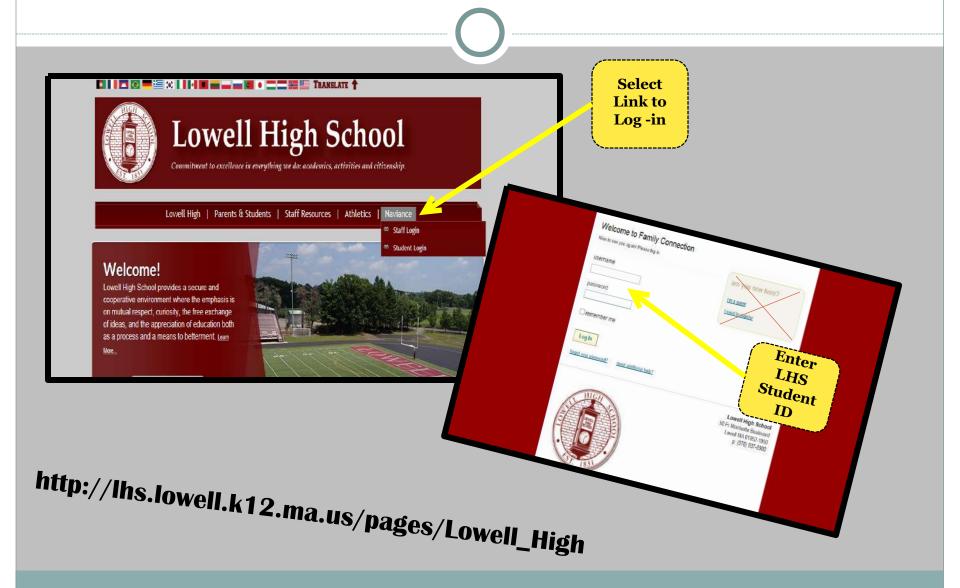
**Spring/Summer Timeline** 

# Getting Started With NAVIANCE

- Go to the Lowell High website:
  - Ohttp://lhs.lowell.k12.ma.us
  - Oclick on "Naviance" at the top right corner
  - O Select "Student Login" from the dropdown
- Your Username and Password are your LHS ID #
  - O Type in your LHS ID# as your username and password
  - OThen click "Log In"
- You DO NOT need to click "I Need To Register"
   under the "Are You New Here Box."



# NAVIANCE Log In



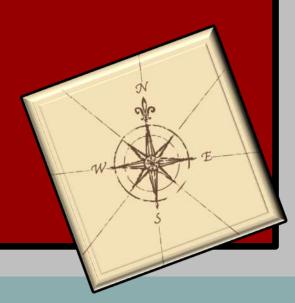
### Options After High School



Technical/Trade Programs

Military

**Employment** 





# 2 & 4 Year College Planning

#### 2 Year College: Associate's Degree/Certificate Programs

- Any student with a high school diploma or GED can attend
  - Generally, no GPA requirement or SAT tests (check specific program)

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- Quick application process; transcript required
- Must take Accuplacer before selecting classes; prepare ahead

#### 4 Year College: Bachelor's Degree

- Eligibility Requirements= 3.0 average GPA, SAT/ACT/TOEFL test scores (example: UML GPA 3.6, SAT 1240 average), essay, & letters of recommendation; more competitive colleges may require SAT Subject Tests
  - ❖ High school coursework to include: 4 English, 4 Math (Alg. I/II, Geometry, comparable coursework), 3 Science with labs, 2 Social Science, 2 Languages (must be of the same language), 2 Electives; more competitive colleges will require 4 years of all subjects
  - No GPA below a 2.0 will be accepted at any Mass State College/University; alternative admission programs may be available to students between a 2.0-3.0 who struggled with SAT/ACT



### Build Your College List

Build a college list that includes Reach, Target, and Safety schools based on GPA and standardized test scores; include both public and private, selective and less selective schools to increase your chance of admission and financial aid opportunities, including the more expensive/selective colleges; your list should range anywhere from 6-12 colleges (fee waivers available to income-eligible students)

#### **Reach: HARDEST**

A more selective/competitive school that is your dream school; your GPA & standardized test scores fall at or below the school's published data on accepted students and/or the acceptance rate is less than 30%

#### **Target: MEDIUM-HARD**

❖Your GPA and standardized test scores fit the school's published data on accepted students and the acceptance rate is around 30% - 60%

### Likely/Safety: EASY-MEDIUM

❖Your GPA and standardized test scores are at or above the school's published data on accepted students and the acceptance rate is 60% or higher

### Types of Admission Programs

### **Regular Admission:**

A set deadline which all materials must be postmarked (Ex. Jan. 1, Jan. 15, Feb. 1)

Try to submit in advance before deadline, as programs may fill to capacity

#### **Early Action:**

Early deadline in addition to regular deadline (Ex. Nov. 1st Nov. 15th)
Pros: high GPA/SAT scores may qualify for merit scholarship, shows motivation, receive decision earlier, you don't have to attend if accepted; Cons: college may not see your Q1 grades or Senior SAT scores

#### **Early Decision:**

Same as Early Action except it is a binding contract which means you must attend that school if accepted, even if financial aid award is not enough

### **Rolling Admission:**

Applications accepted & decisions made as soon as completed apps come in Submit applications after your Q1 grades are available Spots are first come, first serve and fill up quickly

# College Application Requirements

\*Use Common Application (can be started at anytime and essay prompts are available now) or individual college application; submit online

\*Take SAT, Subject Tests, ACT, TOEFL Tests; add colleges during registration to send scores (fee waivers available)

\*Colleges <u>MUST</u> have your Official test scores sent from College-Board or ACT, and <u>YOU</u> must send them

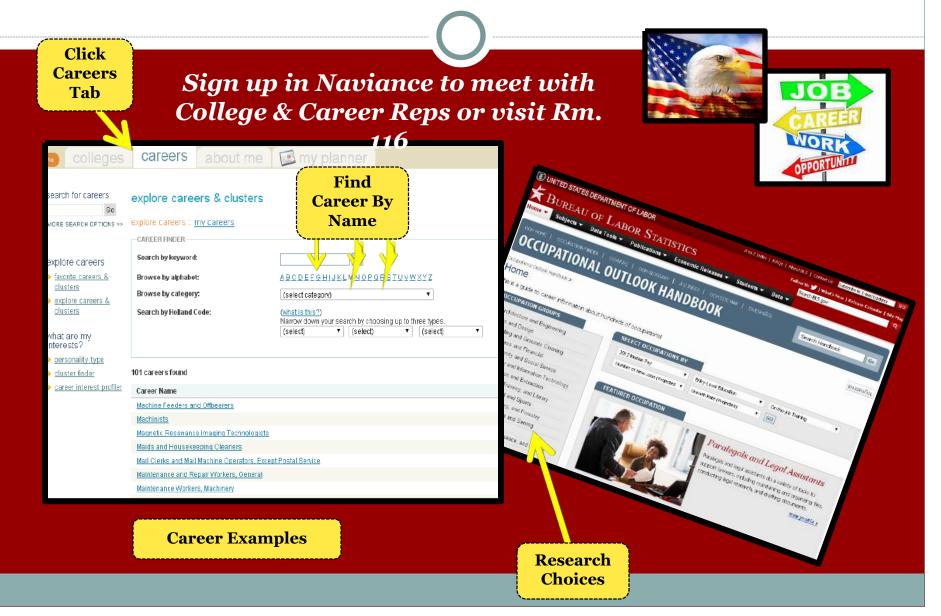
\*Create resume in Naviance

\*Write, edit, submit college essays; complete supplemental essays (additional) on CA, if required

\*Request Letters of Recommendation from teachers/counselors in person

\*Register with the NCAA for D1/D2 sports: www.eligibilitycenter.org

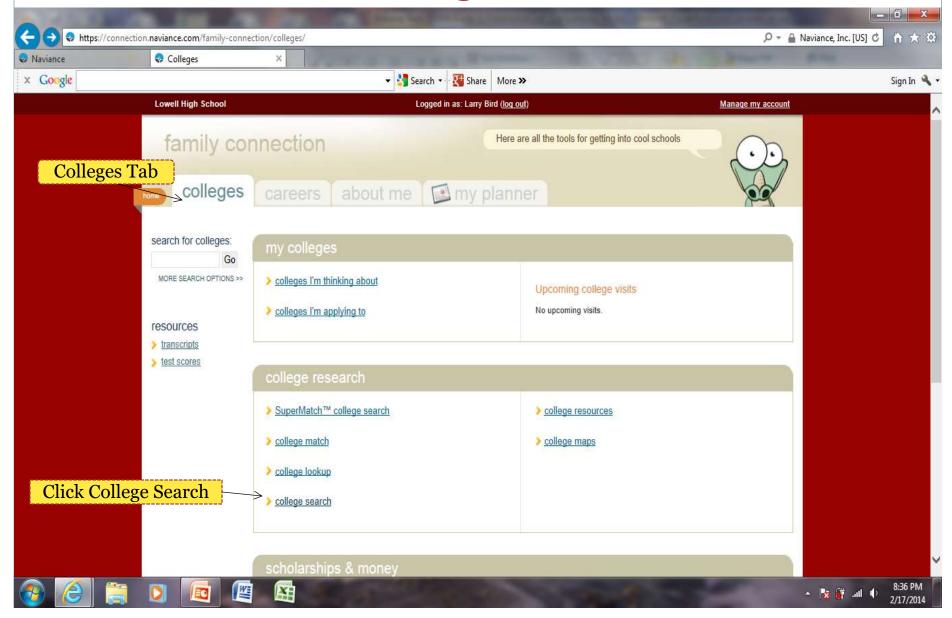
### Career & Military Options



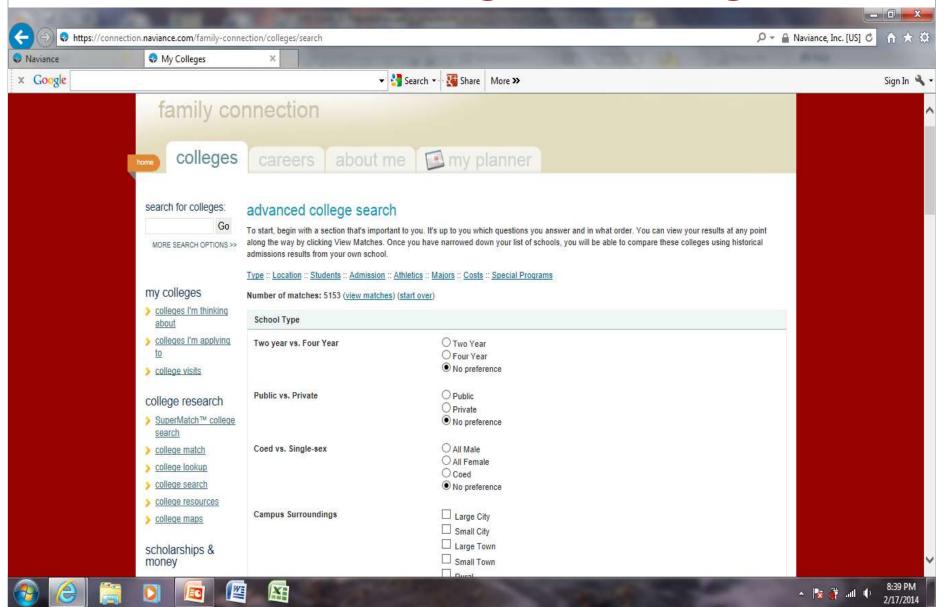
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- You will log in to your Naviance account
- Click on the "Colleges" Tab
- Click on "College Search"
- Begin your college search by answering as many questions as you want on the first page.
- Click "Next" at the bottom of the page to continue your search.
- Save your search when you are done.
- Add 3-5 Colleges to "Colleges I'm Thinking About" in your Naviance account.

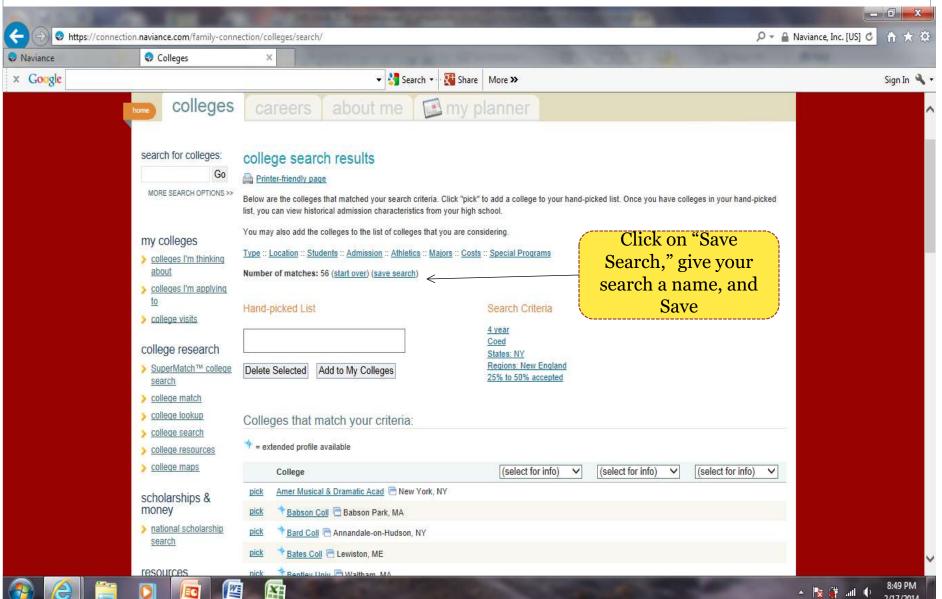
### Colleges Tab



### Advanced College Search Page



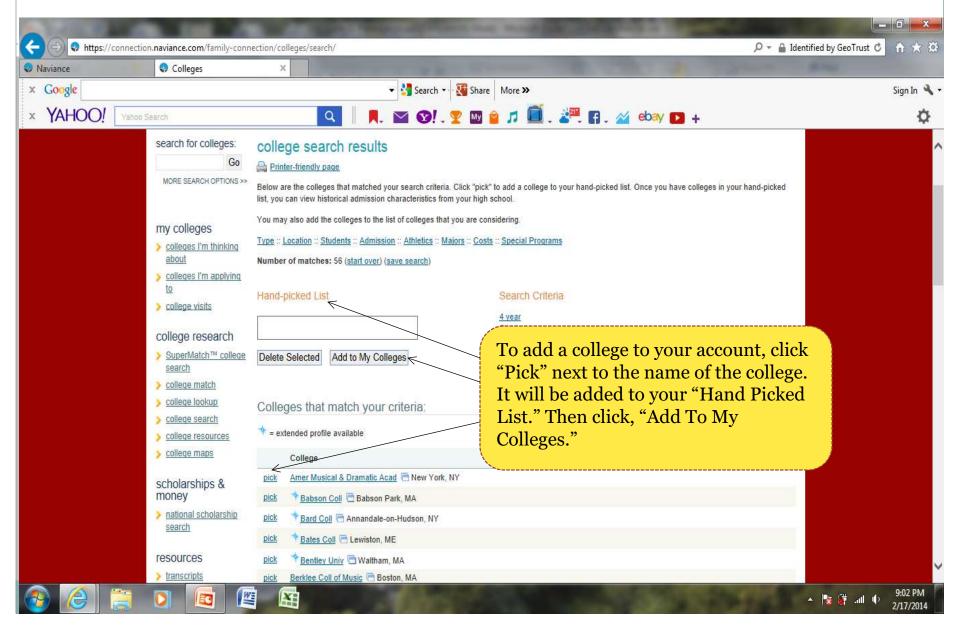
### College Search Results Page



### Add Colleges to Your Account

- Click on the names of some of the colleges on your College Search List, and research the information on the schools.
- Add 3-5 Colleges to Your College List in your
   Naviance account by doing one of the following:
  - OAfter clicking on the name of a college, click on the "Add To List" Link in that college's page; or
  - Oclick "Pick" next to the college while looking at your overall Results Page. When you are finished picking schools, click the "Add to Colleges I'm Thinking About" Box at the top of the list.

### College Search Results Page



### 2017 Spring/Summer Timeline

#### **Spring:**

- Register for SAT and/or SAT Subject Tests on collegeboard.com
  - O May 6 SAT registration deadline is Apr. 7, late registration is available until April 25
  - O June 3 SAT registration deadline is May 9, late registration is available until May 24
  - O Late registration fee applies; fee waivers are available for eligible students in CCC/Guidance
- Conduct college/career/trade research in Naviance
- Contact teachers for letters of recommendation, use request form
- Begin/update Resume

#### **Summer:**

- Update College List in Naviance
- Create Common App Account on www.commonapp.org
- Begin College Essay
- Register for October SAT (request fee waiver before summer vacation)
- Visit College Campuses
- Apply for summer jobs or internships