Marvin Ridge High School Junior Planning Night

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 6:30 pm Marvin Ridge High School

Graduation Requirements

- English- Four Credits
- Math- Four Credits
- Science- Three Credits ; (3 Lab Sciences SC)



- (Lab Sciences: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Anatomy, Marine Science, Forensics)
- Social Studies- Four Credits
- Health & PE
- Two Electives- Either CTE, Arts or World Language
- Four Electives- Strongly recommended from either CTE, Arts, or any other subject area
- A fine arts credit is <u>not</u> needed for graduation; some universities do require one fine arts credit (Clemson, USC, U of California schools, etc.)

Standardized Testing

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

 SAT Subject Tests

American College Test (ACT)

• Register for Tests Online

Collegeboard.org; ACT.org



- ACT administered at MRHS on February 20, 2019*
- SAT administered at MRHS on April 9, 2019*

*Registration not required for school administered SAT/ACT

ACT & SAT Test Dates (2018-2019)

ACT			SAT		
ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Scores Back Date	SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Scores Back Date
September 8, 2018	Aug. 10	Sept. 18*	August 25, 2018	July 27	Sept. 7
October 27, 2018	Sept. 28	Nov. 6*	October 6, 2018	Sept. 7	Oct. 19
December 8, 2018	Nov. 2	Dec. 18*	November 3, 2018	Oct. 5	Nov. 16
February 9, 2019	Jan. 11	Feb. 19*	December 1, 2018	Nov. 2	Dec. 14
April 13, 2019	Mar. 8	Apr. 23*	March 9, 2019	Feb. 8	Mar. 22
June 8, 2019	May 3	Jun. 18*	May 4, 2019	Apr. 5	May 17
July 13, 2019	Jun. 14	Jul. 23*	June 1, 2019	May 3	Jul. 10

*anticipated dates

To-Do list for Juniors



- Stay on track with your classes and your grades.
- Organize your college information and begin narrowing down your choices. Make a list of schools you would like to visit in the upcoming spring and summer months.
- Prepare and plan for the SAT and ACT. Register online.
- Research courses to register for your senior year. Make graduation requirements and recommended courses for the colleges you are interested in a priority.

To-Do List for Juniors



- Stay involved with (and keep track of) extracurricular activities and volunteer opportunities. Begin planning for summer employment and/or internships, volunteer experiences and other enrichment opportunities.
- Visit colleges during the spring or summer. Take a tour and speak with admissions and financial aid staff. Tours can be scheduled on most schools' websites.
- Begin working on college essays. Remember to proofread.
- Begin thinking about teachers you will ask to write your recommendations.

Colleges look for a well-rounded student

- Good grades...GPA
- Class rigor
- Solid SAT/ACT scores
- Passionate commitment to community--Get involved!
- Demonstrated Leadership
- Extracurricular Activities



College Choices

Target/Match School

A school that you really, really, *really* want to attend, and where your stats (GPA, test scores, etc.) <u>match</u> their admissions standards.

Dream/Reach School

Your dream school that may be a <u>reach</u> to get into...but you never know!

Safety School

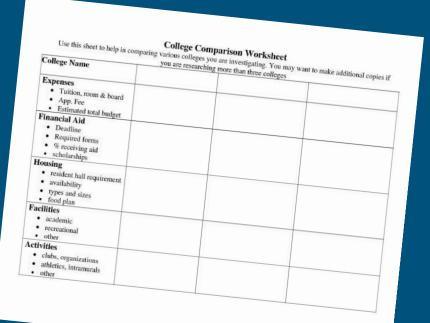
A school where you are very confident that you are going to be accepted. Your stats <u>exceed</u> all the requirements and you would be happy attending there if need be.





Comparing Colleges

- Consider the characteristics of each college as well as their admissions requirements.
- Visit colleges.
- Compare multiple colleges by using a checklist, making a pro's/con's list, or even by using a website such as <u>College Raptor</u>



College Admissions Options

DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION



National Association for College Admission Counseling Guiding the way to higher education

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?

Non-Restrictive Application Plans Restrictive Application Plans Rolling **Early Decision Restrictive Early Regular Decision Early Action (EA)** Admission Action (REA) (ED) **DEFINITION: DEFINITION: DEFINITION: DEFINITION: DEFINITION:** Students apply Students make a Students apply to Students submit Institutions review an institution of an application by a applications as early and receive commitment to specified date and they are submitted a decision well a first-choice inpreference and receive a decision and render admisin advance of the stitution where. receive a decision in a clearly stated sion decisions institution's regular if admitted they early. They may be period of time. throughout the response date. definitely will enrestricted from applying ED or EA or admission cycle. roll. The application deadline and REA to other instidecision deadline tutions. If offered enrollment, they occur early. have until May 1 to confirm. COMMITMENT: COMMITMENT: COMMITMENT: COMMITMENT: COMMITMENT: NON-BINDING NON-BINDING NON-BINDING BINDING NON-BINDING

The Common Application/Coalition



- Developed to cut down on multiple applications and essays for students.
- Required essay section.
- Students must enter their counselor's name and email address for the required counselor recommendation and transcript area.
- Do your own research about deadlines and types of applications for each college.
- Complete your applications early, especially if you need recommendations!

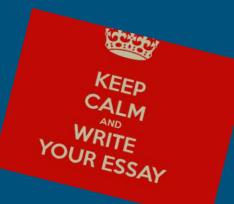
College Applications



- Complete a practice college application! Simply go to the Apply tab at CFNC.org and look for "Complete a Practice Application."
 - (https://www1.cfnc.org/Apply/To_College/_default.aspx)
- You will be able to see what it's like to complete an online application for college.
- Note that some colleges have only three or four pages of information in their online application while others have more than 10 pages.

Writing College Essays

• Colleges often rank essays 5th in importance when making admissions decisions.



- View the essay as an opportunity...
- Make yourself <u>real</u> to admissions officers!
- *Proofread!!!!!* Essays can make or break an applicant's chances!
- "Optional Essays" really aren't optional!

Letters of Recommendation

- Many colleges require but not all!
- Letters may come from teachers, coaches, counselors or community leaders.
- How to request a Recommendation Letter and then say Thank You
- School Counselor Forms/Secondary Reports and Recommendations



Student Resumes

- Show off all your hard work at school and in extra-curricular activities
- Gives you a leg up on college and scholarship applications
- Naviance Resume Builder >slide 25
- <u>Student Resume Example</u>



NCAA Eligibility

- The NCAA Eligibility Center can be accessed <u>here</u>.
- Division I and Division II requirements, steps on monitoring your eligibility, and much more information can be found on this site.



Community Colleges

- There are 59 Community Colleges in North Carolina.
- Community Colleges are an economical option and offer a wide variety of course selections.
- Many courses taken at Community Colleges will transfer to Universities.
- North Carolina residents pay \$72 per credit hour for community college courses.



Career and College Promise

- Earn college credit tuition-free through SPCC (dual enrollment)
- Articulation Agreement for College Transfer
- Requirements: 3.00 GPA, "college-readiness" scores
- Program Guide, application instructions p.24
- Talk with counselor in spring for senior year.



Internships Career & Technical Education

Qualifications

- Senior year
- Successfully completed two CTE courses within a pathway
- Minimum of 92% attendance rate
- Reliable transportation
- Positive feedback on references

Scheduling

- Community sponsor and student determine schedule based on the business' hours of operation and convenience
- Minimum of 135 hours

Placements, Assignments, and Grades

- Placements are based on student's interest
- Most assignments are completed online and include journals, terminology, time sheets, and a capstone project
- Grades are based on required assignments, attendance at scheduled meetings, and sponsor evaluations
- Internship grades are shown on report cards and transcripts and used to calculate GPA

**Go to <u>www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/2717</u> for more information on Internships!



Career & Technical Education Cooperative Education

- Cooperative Education, or Co-op connects the Marketing Education classes to a student's work experience.
- To enroll in Co-op, a student must be concurrently enrolled in a Marketing class
- The job must be directly related to the CTE course
- Students must work a minimum of 135 hours
- Co-op grades are shown on report cards and transcripts and are used to calculate GPA

Military Options

- Recruiters from the different branches of the military visit MRHS periodically throughout the year.
- The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is required for enlistment into the military. Marvin Ridge is hosting an ASVAB administration on Tuesday, December 11th. Sign up in the counseling office.





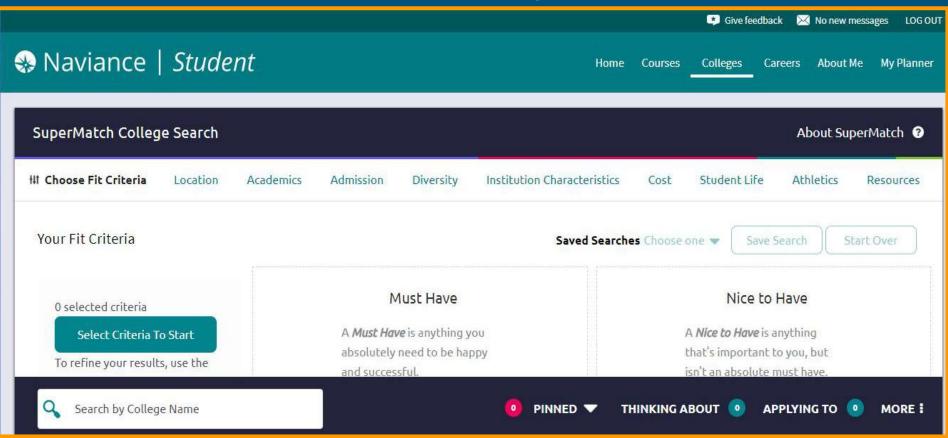
Keep checking for updates to our list of participating colleges!



LOGGING INTO FAMILY CONNECTION



SuperMatch College Search



Naviance

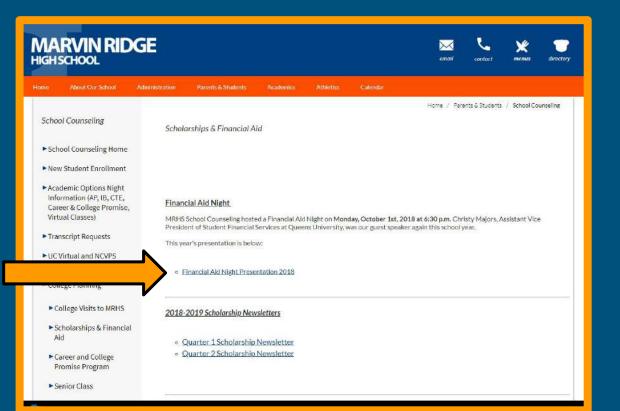
- ✤ Naviance Student Intro
- Naviance Student and Common App Procedures for Rising Seniors

- For screenshots on how to add colleges to your list of applications, request transcripts and letters of recommendation in Naviance <u>Click Here</u>
- For screenshots on how to create your resume' in Naviance <u>Click Here</u>
- For complete Senior Naviance Instructions/Steps <u>Click Here</u>

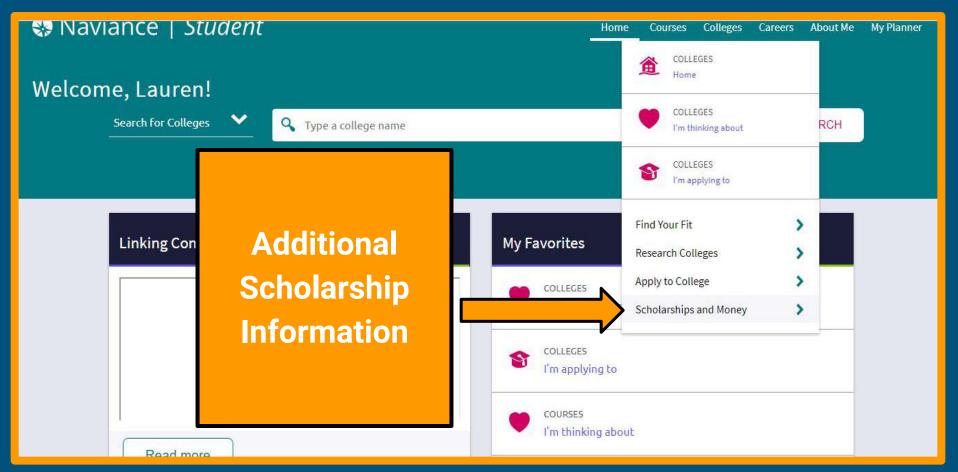
Scholarship & Financial Aid Information

https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4704

Financial Aid Night Presentation & Scholarship Newsletters



Scholarships on Naviance



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Website Resources

- MRHS Counselor Page
- <u>CFNC</u>
- <u>College Board</u>
- <u>Big Future by The College Board</u>
- <u>ACT</u>
- <u>Collegeportraits.org</u>
- <u>Fastweb</u>
- <u>College Navigator</u>
- <u>FAFSA</u>

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