



Parkway North College Information

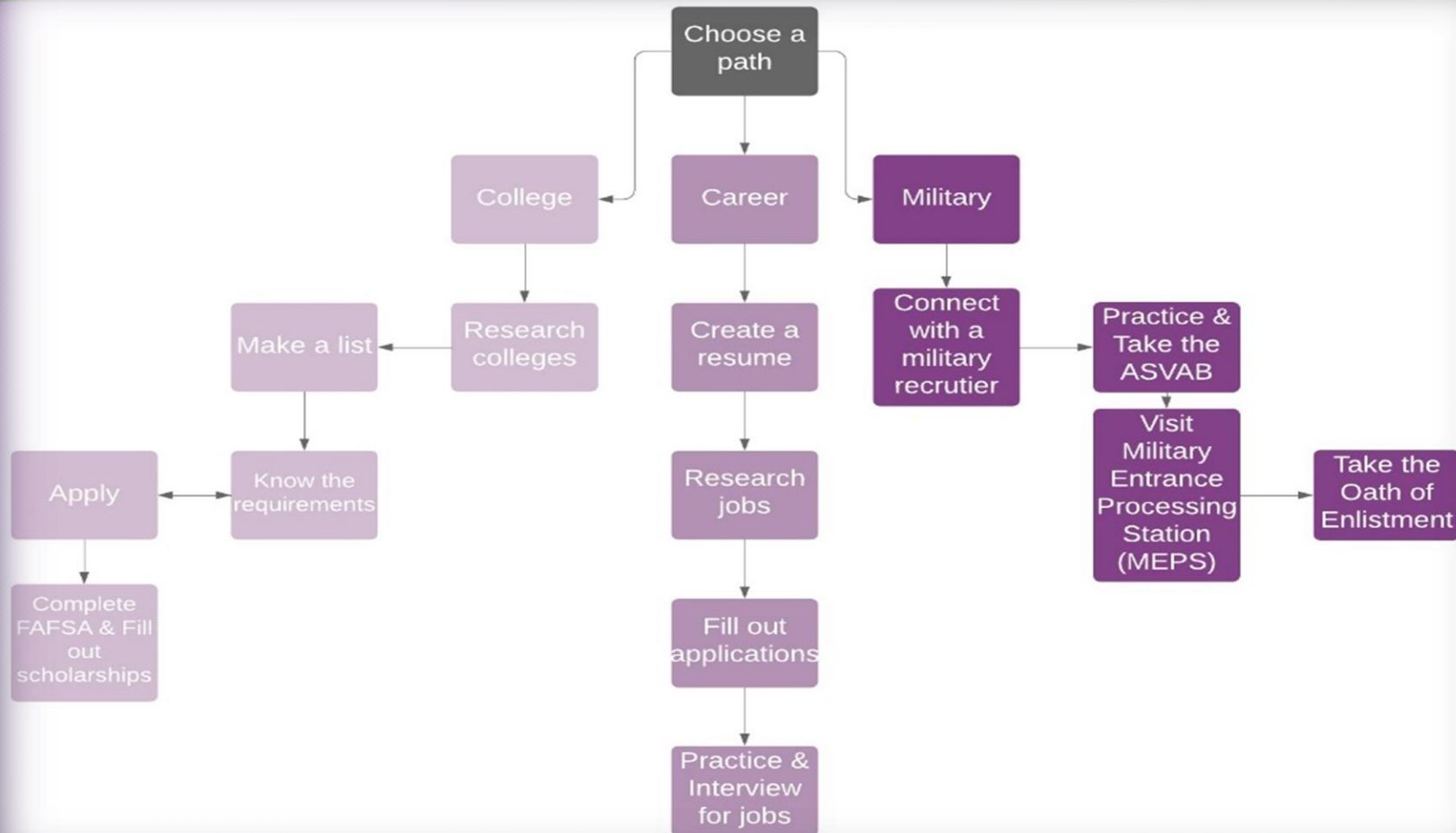
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Upcoming Events!

- College Night: September 12, 2019 6:30-8:30 @PNHS
- Parkway-Rockwood College Fair: September 16, 2019 6:00-8:00 @Queeny Park **Please register @ www.strivefair.com
- Senior parent night: September 17, 2019 @PNHS 6:00 Commons
- HBCU Awareness College Fair: September 28, 2019 11:00-2:00 @Harris-Stowe State University, Emerson Performance Art Building
- FAFSA workshops: October 3, 2019 starting at @PNHS
- *A LOT of colleges will be visiting PNHS. Please register to speak with the representative on Naviance at least one day in advance.

You made it to senior year... Let's make a plan



Transcript Release Form & Requesting Transcripts

TRANSCRIPT & RECOMMENDATION RELEASE

Both sections must be signed for any submission of an official transcript or submission of counselor/teacher recommendations

2019-2020 TRANSCRIPT RELEASE

The official transcript reports courses and grades earned beginning in the student's freshman year of secondary school (whether Parkway North or a previous school) as well as summer school and correspondence courses. The transcript also includes an accumulative grade point average (weighted and unweighted).

When requested, standard test scores are also included with the transcript. Parkway North includes all ACT and SAT results. *Most colleges require SAT and/or ACT scores be sent directly from the testing company to the college.

I give my permission for the Counseling Office to send my official Parkway North High School transcript to any college, university, or scholarship program I request throughout the 2019-2020 school year.

Print Student Name: _____ Date: _____
Student Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

2019-2020 COUNSELOR/TEACHER RECOMMENDATION WAIVER

Sign the waiver below, regarding any letters of recommendation or secondary school reports. By waiving your right, "you allow the college specialist and teachers to write a complete assessment of your performance and abilities". If you "waive your right" on this form (Waiving your right lets colleges know that you do not intend to read your recommendations, which helps reassure colleges that the letters are candid and truthful. Colleges encourage you to do so), you should also "waive your right" on any college applications you complete.

If a college or university asks about suspensions/discipline, we will disclose any out-of-school suspensions and/or other serious infractions. It is in your best interest to self-disclose these infractions when asked on the application. Please contact Stephanie Bluestein if you have any questions or concerns.

As conferred by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I recognize the confidential nature of the teacher and/or college specialist letter of recommendation and

I do do not waive my rights to access contents of all the letters of recommendation.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARKWAY SCHOOLS

PARKWAY NORTH HIGH SCHOOL
12880 FEE FEE ROAD
ST. LOUIS, MO 63146
314-415-7600

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT
314-415-7615
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COORDINATOR

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SOCIAL WORKER

CAITLIN TRITCH
CARE COORDINATOR

1. A transcript & Recommendation Release MUST be signed by the student and a parent/guardian and on file in the counseling office before the student can request a transcript
2. Transcripts must be requested through the student's Naviance account

ACT/SAT/SAT II (subject tests)

****All test scores must be officially sent from the testing company to the college. This can be done by logging into your ACT/CollegeBoard account****



Test Date:	Registration Deadline:
October 26, 2019	September 20, 2019
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019



Test Date:	Registration Deadline:
October 5, 2019	September 6, 2019
November 2, 2019	October 3, 2019
December 7, 2019	November 8, 2019

<http://www.act.org>

<http://www.collegeboard.org>

Don't Miss the
deadline!

College Deadlines

- **Early Decision:** Early Decision you can apply early (October, November, December). Though Early Decision deadlines have a similar timeline to Early Action (see below), it has one huge difference: they are *binding*. That means, by applying to a school Early Decision (and you would only apply to *one* school Early Decision), you are agreeing to enroll if you are admitted. If accepted, you must contact any other colleges you applied to and withdraw those applications. It's not for the faint of heart—or the unsure applicant. Only apply Early Decision if you are 100% sure the college is the one for you.
- **Early Action:** Early Action is the *non-binding* one, a.k.a. the less intense one. With Early Action, you also submit your application early (October, November, even December deadlines). You can still apply to other schools.
- **Priority Deadline:** Many state and/or public schools use their Priority Deadline to encourage early applications. Some colleges use this priority deadline for scholarship consideration.
- **Rolling Admission:** Schools with rolling admission deadlines accept applications until the programs fill up, often as late as April. However, there is a chance of losing your spot if the class fills up, so it's best not to wait *too* long. (Many rolling admission schools recommend applying on the same timeline as their Regular Decision counterparts, I would say apply before Christmas break) Also, some colleges with rolling deadlines will still have set admission deadlines for particular academic programs (such as medical programs) and also scholarship consideration. Check with your schools to be sure!
- **Regular Decision:** Regular Decision deadlines for fall admission usually occur in the preceding January or February, and students receive a decision by April.



How to Apply??

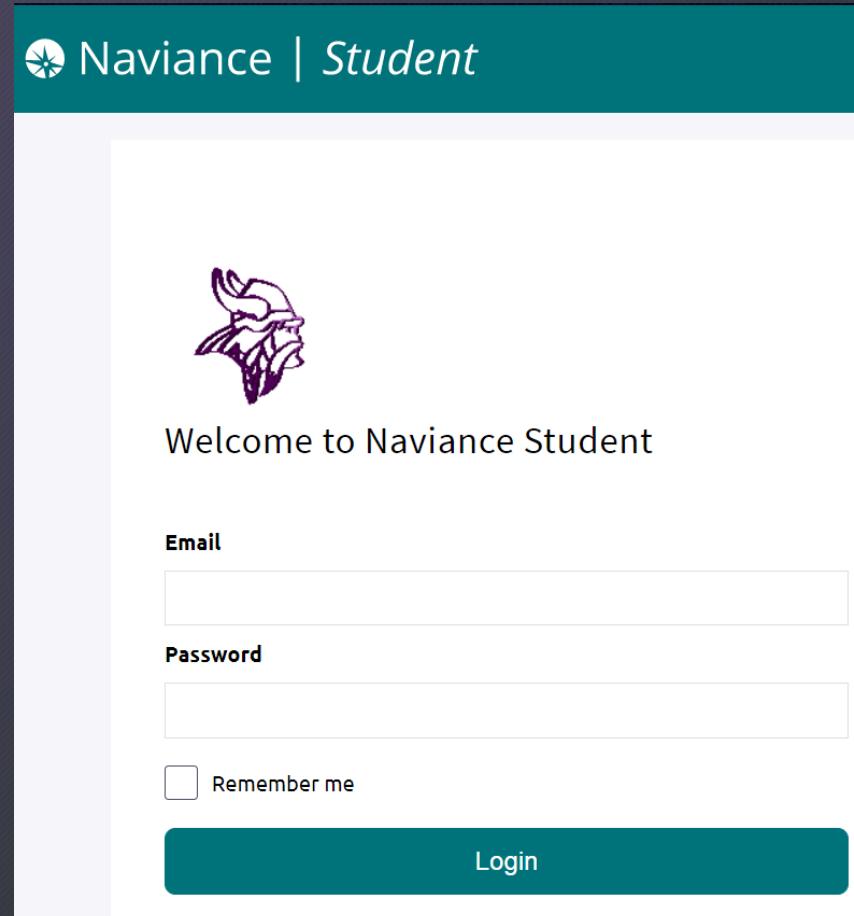


By applying on the college's website

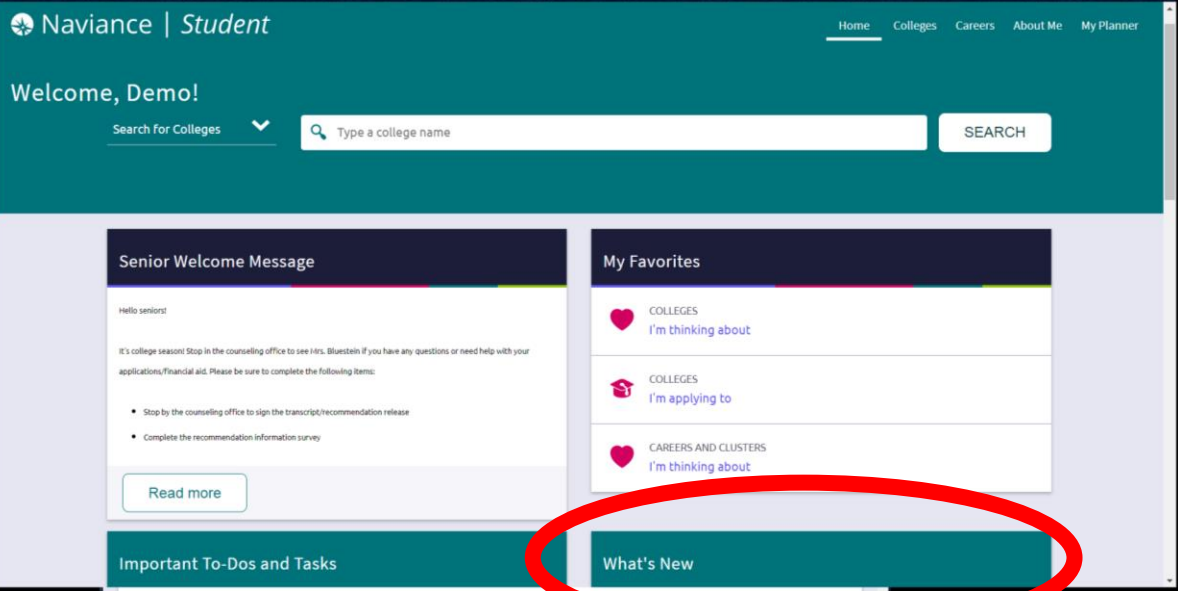
Naviance!

<https://student.naviance.com/pkwynrth>

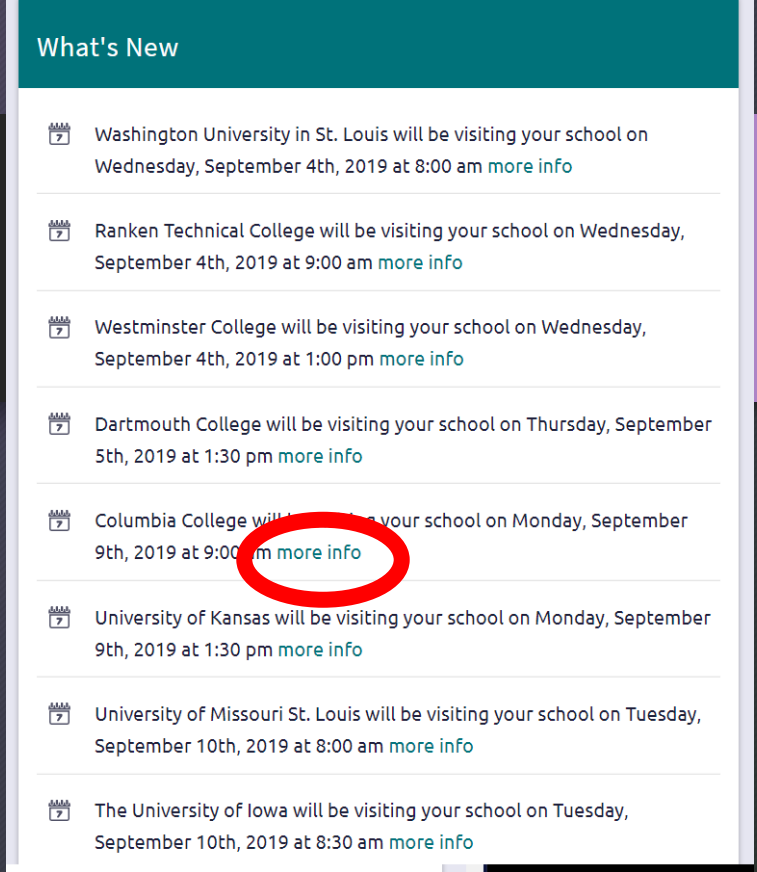
- Use your Naviance account to...
 1. Research careers
 2. Research colleges
 3. Create a resume
 4. Connect to the Common App
 5. Add colleges you are applying to
 6. Request transcripts
 7. Update your admissions decisions
- *All supporting documents (transcripts, letters, etc. are sent through Naviance)*



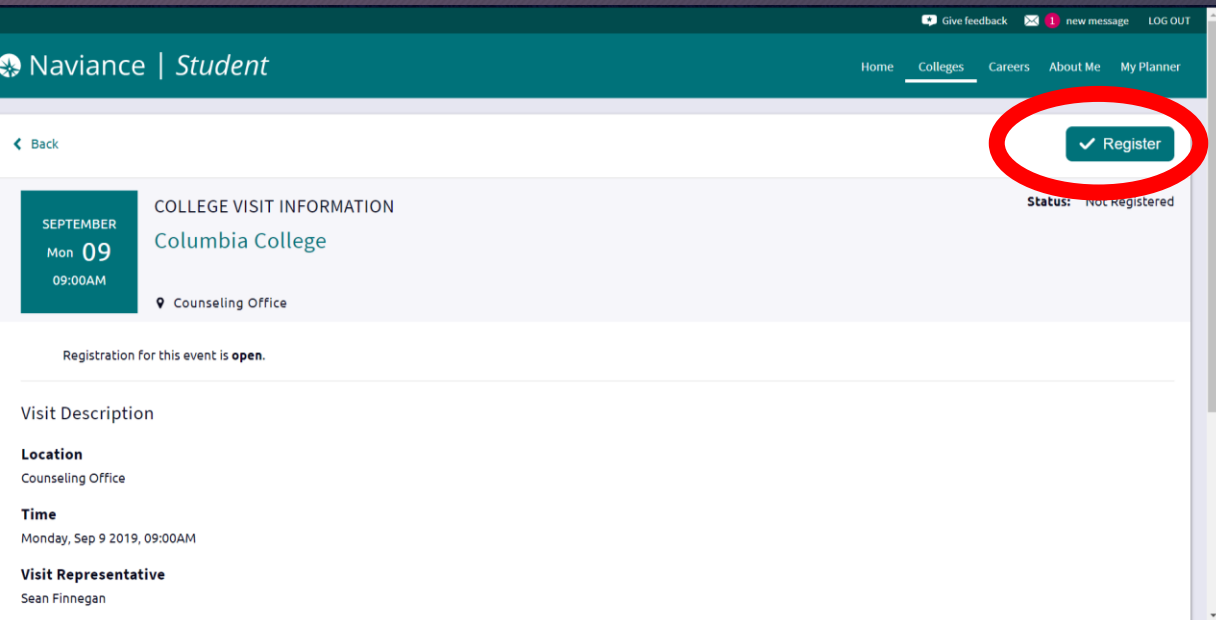
The screenshot shows the Naviance Student login interface. At the top, there is a teal header with the Naviance logo and the text "Naviance | Student". Below the header, the page is white. In the center, there is a purple logo of a stylized animal head. Below the logo, the text "Welcome to Naviance Student" is displayed. Underneath, there are two input fields: "Email" and "Password". Below the password field, there is a checkbox labeled "Remember me". At the bottom, there is a teal button labeled "Login".



Step 1. Go to the Naviance homepage under "What's New to see who is visiting. This updates frequently so keep checking back!



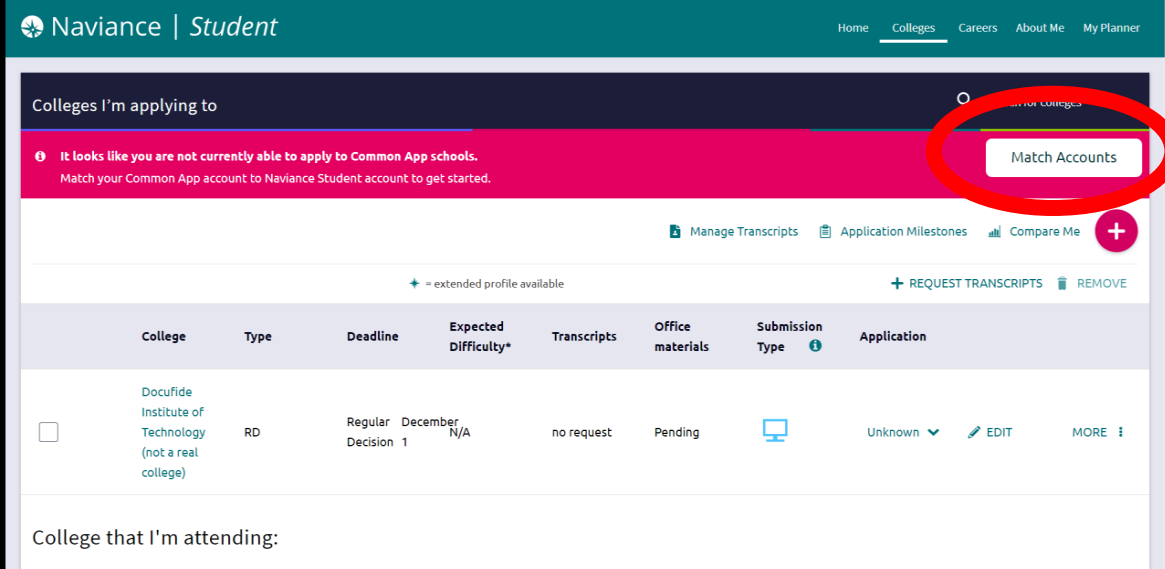
Sign up for Rep Visits!



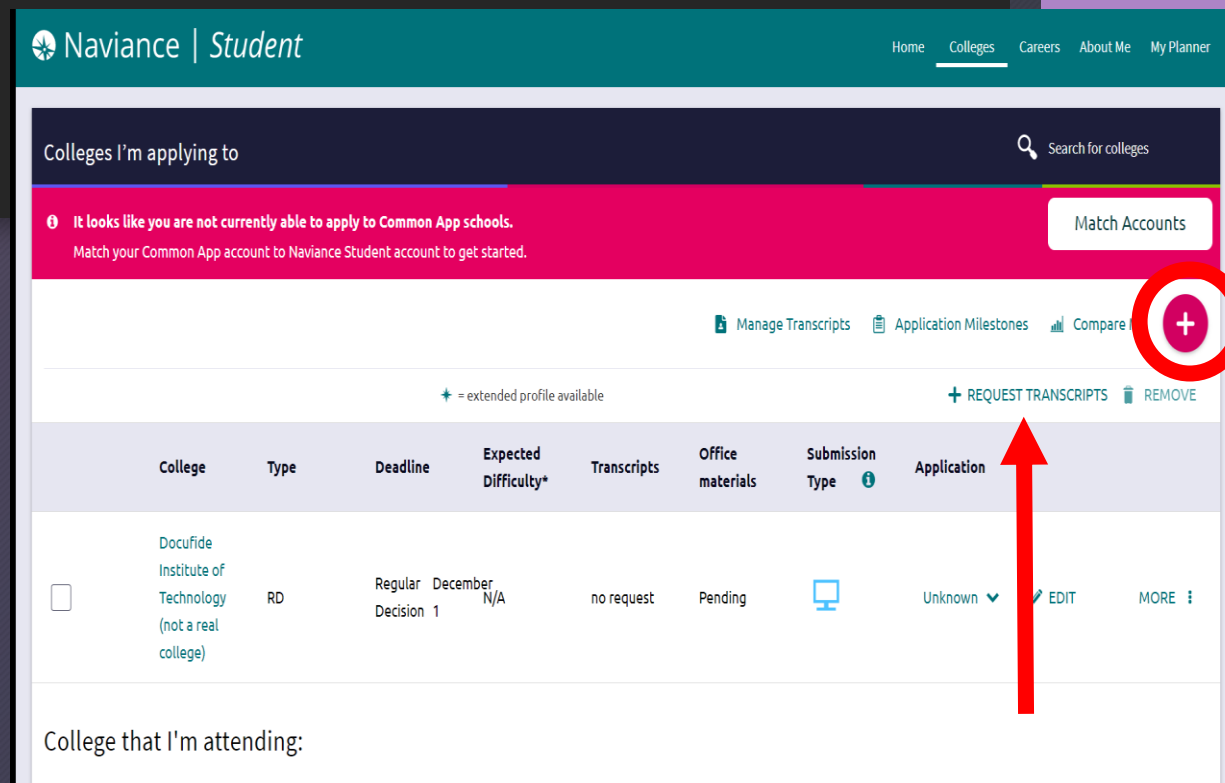
Step 3: Click Register!

Step 2: Click on the more info button of the college you are interested in.

*You must register at least one day in advance to the visit date!!!!



How to request a transcript...



If you are applying to your colleges with the Common Application, you will need to match your Common App account to your Naviance account. You need to complete three steps in the Common App prior to you being able to match your accounts. There is a short youtube video that will show you how to do this! It's called "How To Match Your Common App and Naviance Accounts"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znOq38FUrTc&t=2s>

Or come see me and we can do it together!

If you are not applying through the Common App you will need to add each of the schools you are applying to using the pink "+" button.

Don't forget to request transcripts for each of your colleges regardless of how you apply. This is how I know you need a transcript sent and where!

NAVIANCE SHUT DOWN DATES! *IMPORTANT*



The Naviance transcript request manager will **shut down** during the following time frames. You will not be able to request a transcript during that time. Please plan accordingly so you **do not miss your deadline!!** Note, you can still request a transcript if you haven't submitted your application yet. If you need a transcript sent during the following windows of time, please make sure you request the transcript **prior** to the following shut down dates.

1st shutdown: October 25th-November 4th

2nd shutdown: November 22nd-December 2nd

3rd shutdown: December 13th-January 6th

Letters of Recommendation

- How many?
 - Each college has their own requirement for how many letters you need. Some colleges want 1, 2, 3 or some colleges do not want any! To be safe, you should ask at least 2 core teachers.
- Who to ask?
 - You should ask someone who knows you as a student and an individual.
- How to ask?
 - Don't be shy! Walk up to that person and ask! I know this can be scary, but they are taking their time to write you a letter. Also, follow up with a thank you card, thank you email, or just tell them thanks!
- How much notice should I give?
 - You should give your teachers AT LEAST 2 weeks to write your letters. Remember the last time you procrastinated and wrote a paper the day before? How did you do? You do not want a letter that was written with little time and little thought. Also, other students may be asking the same teacher also. Make sure you give them time to write you a nice letter!



How to Request a Letter in Naviance

Important To-Dos and Tasks

TASK Recommendation Information
DUE Thursday Oct 31, 2019
Assigned by Stephanie Bluestein

TASK Attend college visits
Assigned by Stephanie Bluestein

TASK Apply for scholarships
Assigned by Stephanie Bluestein

See All in My Planner

Step 1: On the Naviance homepage, complete the Recommendation Information Task.

Step 2: Think about who you want to ask. Then ask them in-person!

Step 2: After you ask your teacher in person, go to the “Colleges I am applying to” section in Naviance and then to the “letters of recommendation section”. You will be able to request your teacher letter here. They will get an email notification with your request.

Naviance | Student

Home Colleges Careers About Me My Planner

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. [Match Accounts](#)

Manage Transcripts Application Milestones Compare Me

+ = extended profile available [+ REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS](#) [REMOVE](#)

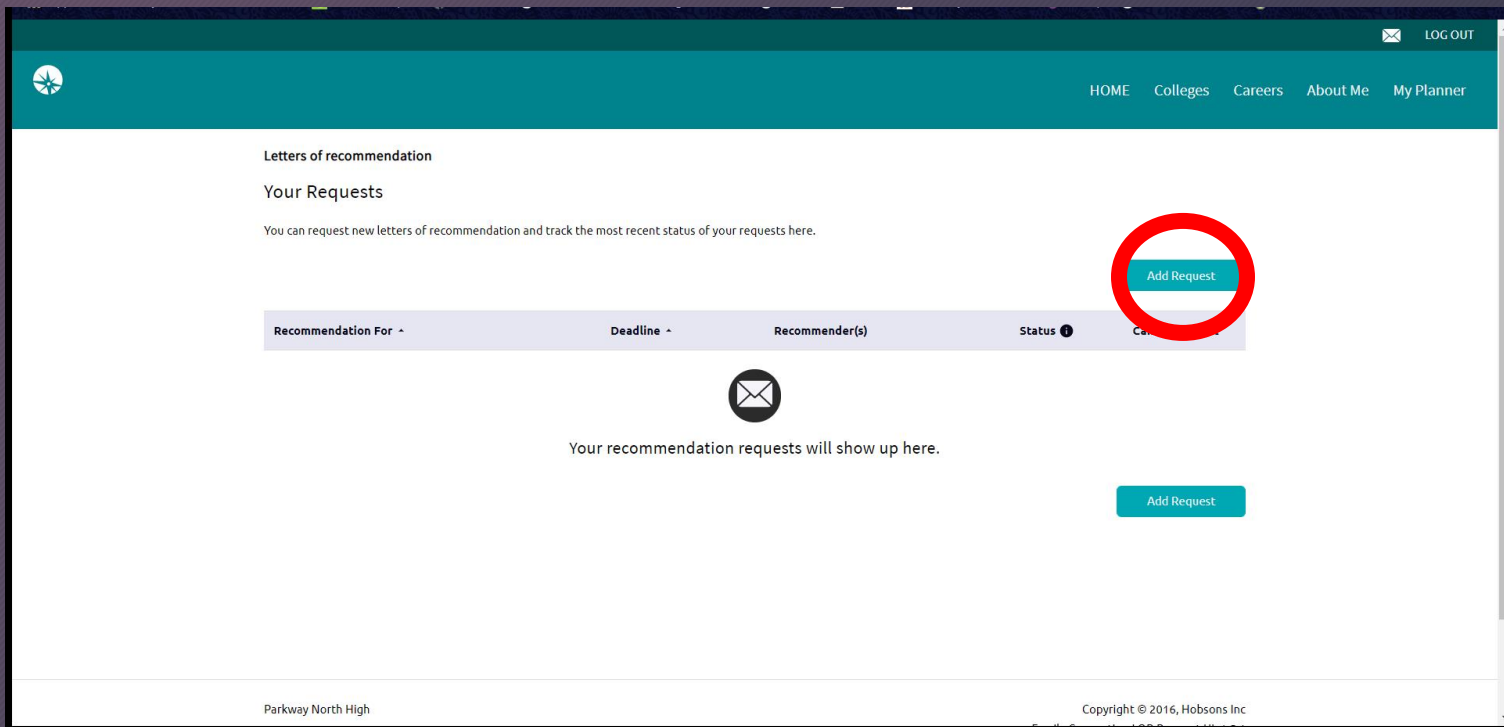
College	Type	Deadline	Expected Difficulty*	Transcripts	Office materials	Submission Type	Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Docufide Institute of Technology (not a real college)	RD	Regular Decision 1 December	N/A	no request	Pending		Unknown v EDIT MORE

College that I'm attending:
N/A [Update](#)

Letters of recommendation

Some colleges require letters of recommendation to be submitted with your application. Please visit the [letters of recommendation section](#), accessible from the main colleges page, for more information

Requesting Letters part II...



Hit the “Add Request” button. You will then be able to see the teachers in a drop down menu.

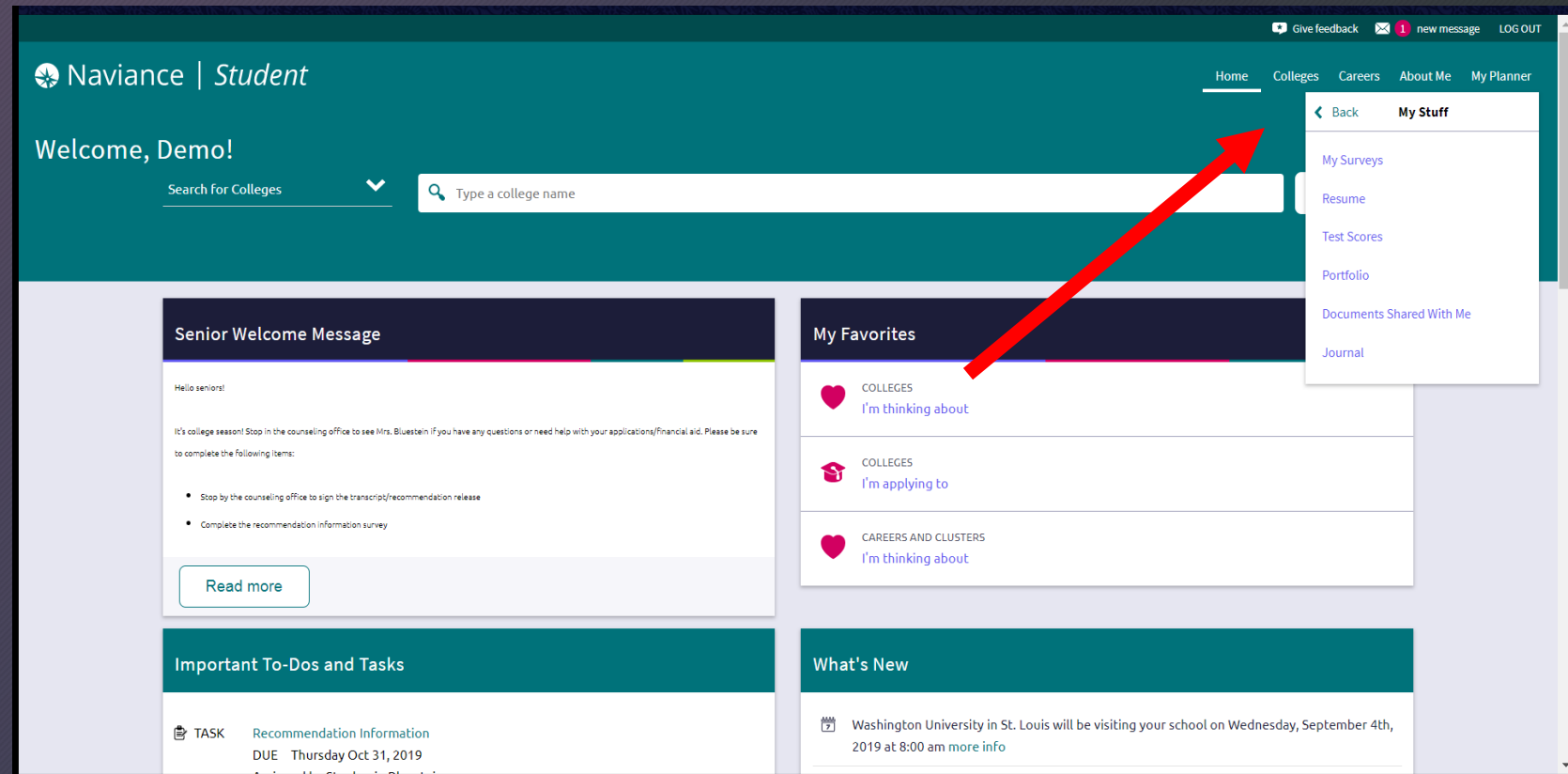
You will have two options...

1. All current and future colleges I add to my Colleges I'm Applying To list
2. Choose specific colleges from your Colleges I'm Applying To list

Some schools only allow you to send a maximum # of letters. You may want to pick who's letter gets sent where...

Build a Resume!

- It's super easy & you are going to need it.
- There is an awesome Resume Builder in Naviance under the "About me" tab and then "my stuff"



The screenshot shows the Naviance Student dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Naviance logo and the text "Naviance | Student". To the right of the logo are navigation links: "Home", "Colleges", "Careers", "About Me", and "My Planner". Below the navigation bar, there is a "Welcome, Demo!" message and a search bar labeled "Search for Colleges" with a search icon and the placeholder text "Type a college name".

On the right side of the dashboard, there is a "My Stuff" dropdown menu. A red arrow points to the "Resume" option in this menu. Other options in the menu include "Back", "My Surveys", "Test Scores", "Portfolio", "Documents Shared With Me", and "Journal".

The main content area of the dashboard is divided into several sections:

- Senior Welcome Message:** A message addressed to seniors, mentioning the college season and the counseling office. It includes a list of tasks: "Stop by the counseling office to sign the transcript/recommendation release" and "Complete the recommendation information survey". There is a "Read more" button.
- My Favorites:** A section showing items the user is interested in or applying to. It includes "COLLEGES I'm thinking about", "COLLEGES I'm applying to", and "CAREERS AND CLUSTERS I'm thinking about".
- Important To-Dos and Tasks:** A section with a task titled "Recommendation Information" due on Thursday, October 31, 2019.
- What's New:** A section with a news item about Washington University in St. Louis visiting the school on Wednesday, September 4th, 2019 at 8:00 am.

Scholarships

- You can find a list of scholarships under the “Colleges” tab>Scholarships & Money>Scholarship List
- Go to the financial aid websites of the colleges you are applying to! Keep in mind, most scholarship deadlines are early, so make sure you know your deadlines!
- Check out some online scholarships...
 - www.scholarships.com
 - www.fastweb.com
 - www.goingmerry.com
 - www.unigo.com
 - www.salliemae.com/college-planning/tools/scholarship-search/?dtd_cell=SMPLSHDCOTDOBOOTOTHOTHRR010001



Don't forget about Financial Aid night on 10/3. More info will be shared as the date approaches.

Financial Aid

1. You and one parent need to create a FSA ID (username and password) www.fsaaid.ed.gov
 2. After October 1, 2019 you can complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). www.fafsa.ed.gov
 3. As the student will work on the FAFSA, add all of the colleges you are applying to and ask your parent to help you with the parent information section
- **What the student will need prior to filling out the FAFSA:**
 - Social Security Number
 - If the student works and files taxes: Prior year tax information (tax information that was filed earlier in the year)
 - FSA ID (username and password)
 - **What the parent will need prior to filling out the FAFSA:**
 - Social Security Number
 - Prior year tax information (tax information that was filed earlier in the year)
 - Records of investments
 - Records of untaxed income
 - FSA ID (username and password)

A+ Info session (1st priority)
A+ Tutor training session (2nd priority)
September 16, Ac Lab in the theater

A+

- Seniors have to sign up prior to **September 30, 2019** to be eligible.
 - Enter in a written A+ agreement with Parkway North High School
 - Complete tutor training
 - Attend an A+ high school for two years immediately prior to graduation (11th-12th grade)
 - Earn a *non-weighted* accumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale
 - Maintain 95% high school attendance record for the 4 year period
 - Perform 50 documented hours of unpaid tutoring or community service (25 hours must be tutoring)
 - Maintain a good record of citizenship
 - Achieve score of proficient or advanced on the official Algebra I or Algebra II end of course exam
 - File your FAFSA during senior year
 - Register for the selective service
 - Be a US citizen or Permanent Resident