

RISING SENIOR
STUDENT/CAREGIVER MEETING -
MAY 2023

Albert Einstein High School Class of 2024

AGENDA

Meet the Class of 2024 sponsor

The college application timeline

Important dates/website information

Q & A with a student panel

CLASS SPONSOR
MR. COLWANDER

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PROM

Date, location - TBD

Tickets expected to cost ?

Cost of prom tickets and senior dues can be offset by class fundraiser.

SENIOR DUES

\$50-65 due by April 30, 2024

After Prom, dues will become an obligation

What's covered:

Senior picnic (graduation rehearsal)

Senior dinner

Cap & Gown

DAR Constitution Hall

Graduation programs, flowers, etc.

SENIOR CLASS MEETING

Date: Wednesday, October 12 (TENTATIVE)

Collect superlative votes

Handout/collect cap & gown orders

Panoramic picture (seniors should wear **RED**)

Claire's Gourmet fundraiser kickoff



YEARBOOK

YEARBOOKS

Sale starts - First day of School!

Price goes up throughout the year, so buy early. Cost is \$65, discounted from \$80.

Senior recognition ads are available for parents to purchase

Have questions? Email Mr. Fisher
emmanuel_c_fisher@mcpsmd.org

YEARBOOK

YEARBOOK - AD LAYOUTS

Jessica Hubbard



Congratulations Jessica!
Love Mom, Dad, Nats, and the Family!
You are blessed and amazing!
The best is yet to come!

Mayhan Punnett



Congratulations!
We love you and are so proud of you, and cannot wait to see what you achieve!
Love from Mom, Dad Margaret, Ellen Diggs & Percy

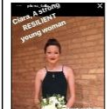
Ciera Mulvihill



Ciera,
You've done some pretty amazing things in your 18 years and we couldn't be prouder!
Here's to the start of a whole new round of adventures!
Love, Mom & Dad

Krystal Zavala

Congratulations Krystal!
You are my pride & joy. Beautiful, talented young lady. Now go and change the world.
Love you forever,
Mom



Senior Parents

Honor your graduating senior in this section! Senior Recognition ads can be purchased starting at the beginning of the school year at www.jstemsadservice.com.

Martin Ambion



Matthew David Bue



What a journey parenting you to adulthood has been! With immense love, Your Mom
Here are some inspirational quotes by some of our most favorite humans.

"Keep your eyes on the stars and your feet on the ground." - Teddy Roosevelt

"Not try not. Do, or do not. There is no try." - George Lucas

"There is a crack in everything. That's how the light gets in." - Leonard Cohen

"Who wants to live forever?" - Freddy Mercury

"A poem is a naked person...Some people say that I am a poet." - Bob Dylan

"Common sense is the collection of prejudices acquired by age eighteen." - Albert Einstein

"A man can make what he wants of himself if he truly believes that he is ready for hard work and many heartbreaks." - Thurgood Marshall



IB/AP EXAMS

Registration due November, 2023.

Look for IB/AP exam registration information in September, 2023. It will be mailed home and distributed to students.

Have ?? Email Ms. Oreggio
lynette_p_oreggio@mcpsmd.org

SSL HOURS

75 hours needed to meet graduation requirements.

Certificate of Meritorious Service given at 260 SSL hours earned by first Friday in April of 2024.

Ms. Erica Trainor is SSL Coordinator
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COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS & INFORMATION

IMPORTANT FACTORS FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

QUALITY OF ACADEMIC PROGRAM

GPA

SAT / ACT SCORES (IS SCHOOL TEST
OPTIONAL?)

STUDENT ESSAY

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES &
TALENTS

COMMUNITY SERVICE

DEMONSTRATED INTEREST
(*DEPENDING ON THE COLLEGE*)

INTERVIEW

COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

Spring 2023

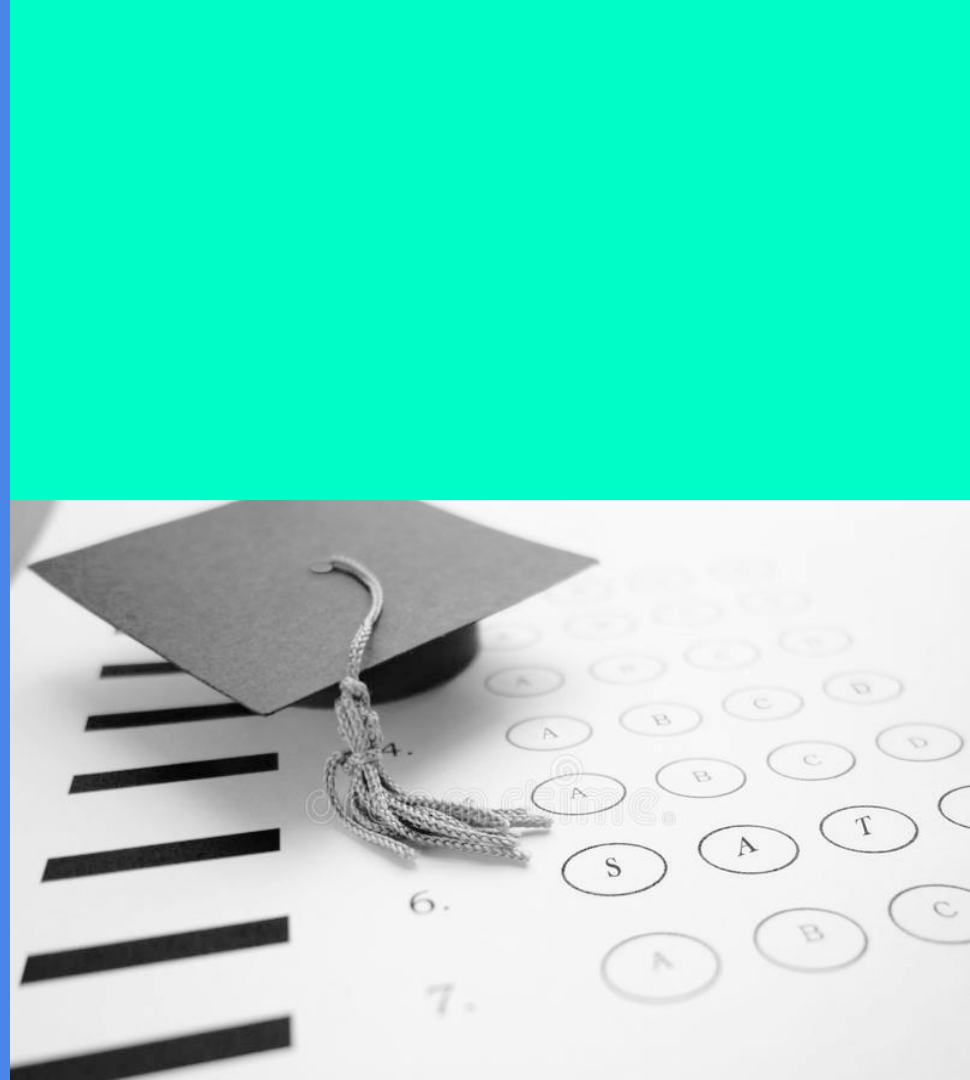
- ★ Take SAT or ACT
- ★ Continue Naviance Supermatch College Search and identify 5-10 "*Colleges I'm Thinking About*"
- ★ Begin "*Self-Reflection*"
- ★ Continue to research and do college visits
- ★ Ask 2 teachers for a letter of recommendation



COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

Summer 2023

- ★ Continue college visits if possible
- ★ Identify colleges you are applying to
- ★ Create an organizational system with deadlines to help you submit your applications on time
- ★ Attend MCPS Virtual College Workshops
- ★ Begin college applications (including the common app) on or about August 1, 2023.
- ★ Take the SAT/ACT prep course if you are not happy with your original score



COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

Fall 2023

- ★ Take SAT/ACT again if you are not happy with your original score
- ★ Sign up for college visits through Naviance
- ★ Ask 2 teachers for letters of recommendation if not already done so
- ★ Complete “*Self reflection*”



NAVIANCE
BY HOBSONS

COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

Fall 2023

- ★ Submit Senior Transcript Request Form and List of Colleges Applying To Google form.
- ★ Finalize and submit college applications (before Early Action deadlines)
- ★ Send SAT/ACT scores to colleges via CollegeBoard or ACT directly.
- ★ Complete the FAFSA - on-track for December 2023

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HELPFUL PROGRAMS FOR COLLEGE & CAREER EXPLORATION

[Naviance.com](https://www.naviance.com)

A program designed to help students and parents with the career and college search process. Students and parents have their own login information.

[CollegeBoard.com](https://collegeboard.com)

A website designed to assist students and parents with college searches, scholarships, SAT preparation and registration.

[ACT.org](https://act.org)

Website to register for the ACT.



FACTORS TO CONSIDER WHEN CHOOSING A COLLEGE

LOCATION & SIZE

MAJOR & ACCREDITATION BY MAJOR

COST

GRADUATION RATE

ACTIVITIES / SPORTS

DIVERSITY & CAMPUS LIFE

HOUSING & OTHER FACILITIES

DISABILITY SERVICES

FRESHMAN RETENTION RATE

ALUMNI JOB PLACEMENT

HOW MANY COLLEGE APPLICATIONS???

While there is no magic number, between 3-9 is usually enough. It should be a combination of reach, match, safety & Maryland schools

Reach School - A college that you have a *chance* of getting into, but your test scores and/or high school grades are lower than the scores on the school's profile.

Target School - A college that you are *pretty likely* to get into because your test scores and/or high school grades fall right into the middle range when you look at the school's profile.

Likely School - A college that you will *almost certainly* get into because your test scores and/or high school grades are well above average when you look at the school's profile.

In-state School - at least 1 Maryland school for in-state financial aid opportunities

DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?

Regular Decision

DEFINITION:

Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Rolling Admission

DEFINITION:

Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Action (EA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Decision (ED)

DEFINITION:

Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll and withdraw all other applications. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.

COMMITMENT:

BINDING

Restrictive Early Action (REA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Students are not restricted from applying to other institutions and have until May 1 to consider their options and confirm enrollment.

Students are responsible for determining and following restrictions.



BE AWARE OF DEADLINES

OCTOBER 15TH

submit materials to AEHS by September 15th

NOVEMBER 1ST

submit materials to AEHS by October 1st

DECEMBER 1ST

submit materials to AEHS by November 1st

DECEMBER 15TH

submit materials to AEHS by November 15th

JANUARY 1ST

submit materials to AEHS by December 1st

JANUARY 20TH

submit materials to AEHS by December 20th

FEBRUARY 15TH

submit materials to AEHS by January 15th

TRANSCRIPTS

Parental/guardian permission is required prior to sending transcripts to colleges.

The *Senior Transcript Request Form and List of Schools Applying To* Google form must be completed in order to process your request.

Allow for 4 weeks from submission of the *Transcript Request Form* for processing.

YOUR TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS **MUST** BE
TURNED INTO THE COUNSELING
OFFICE **NO LATER** THAN 30 DAYS
BEFORE YOUR EARLIEST DEADLINE!!!!

TESTING

- ★ Students are responsible for submitting scores
- ★ Recommended number of times an SAT should be taken - no more than 3
- ★ Many colleges are test optional
- ★ Students have the option to take both the SAT & ACT if they wish
- ★ Colleges/Universities do not have a preference of one over the other
- ★ All SAT subject tests and Essay portion have been discontinued!
- ★ Superscoring: colleges take your highest section scores from all dates you took the SAT/ACT, forming the highest possible composite score



TEST-OPTIONAL

Test scores are not mandatory and students can choose whether they want to send scores or not as a part of their application

TEST-BLIND

Test scores are not looked at or considered as a part of a student's application. Admissions reviews the student's academic profile as a whole.

FINANCIAL AID

New form this year!!

On-track for December, 2023

If you are a U.S. Citizen or resident, you can apply for federal financial aid (FAFSA)

If you are a Non-U.S. Citizen, and non-resident, but have lived in the state of Maryland more than 3 years, you can apply for Maryland State Aid (MSFAA)

Applications are completely free

Parent/Guardian tax returns are needed to complete both applications from two years prior (Example: Seniors this year used tax returns from 2021)

Complete either application for the academic year that you will be starting college (Example: current seniors completed the 2023-2024 academic year application)

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Federal Student Aid (FSA) website defines scholarships as: “Scholarships are gifts. They don't need to be repaid. There are thousands of them, offered by schools, employers, individuals, private companies, nonprofits, communities, religious groups, and professional and social organizations.”

MERIT-BASED

- Earned by meeting or exceeding certain standards
- Can be awarded based off academics, or a combination of academics & special talents, traits, or interests

FINANCIAL NEED

Awarded based off financial need (usually determined by University/College/Career School when reviewing submitted information from FAFSA)

HELPFUL LINKS - VIDEOS

All of the information posted can be found on the [Albert Einstein Counseling](#) website as well.

[Test Optional Colleges for 2023-2024](#)

[Senior Transcript Request Form and List of Colleges Applying To](#)

[Watch a Naviance Tutorial](#)

[Life After High School Presentation w/ Links - A Must View for Seniors!](#)

[Registering for the Common Application and matching accounts in Naviance - video tutorial](#)

[How to request teacher recommendations through Naviance - video tutorial](#)

TASKS TO COMPLETE OVER THE SUMMER

Continue to research and visit, if possible, colleges of interests and schedule interviews.

Identify Colleges I'm Applying To

Begin applications. The Common Application typically opens August 1st

Write application essays

Complete SSL hours, if needed



HELPFUL WEBSITES

www.connection.naviance.com/einstein

www.collegeboard.org

www.actstudent.org

www.commonapp.org

www.fafsa.gov

www.finaid.org

www.fastweb.com

www.khanacademy.com

www.princetonreview.com

www.prepscholar.com

CURRENT SENIORS
Q & A