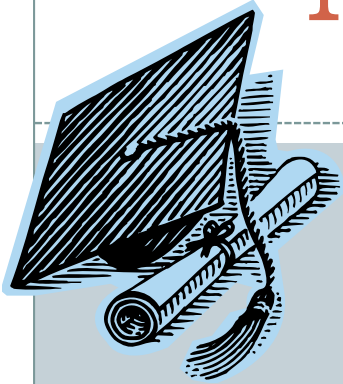


# Rising Senior Parent Meeting – May 2018



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## Agenda

- Meet the Class of 2019 sponsor, Mr. Varner
- College Application Timeline
- Important Dates/Websites
- Q&A: Student Panel

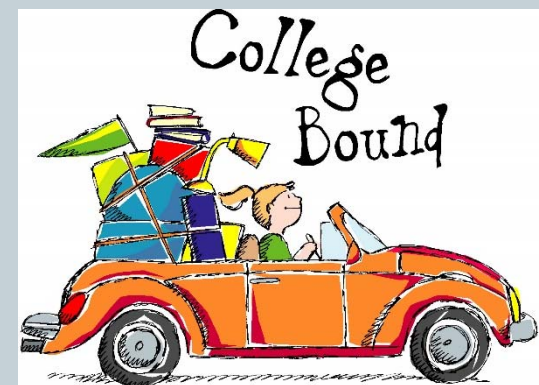


# Class of 2019 Sponsor



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- ◉ Mr. Gregory Varner
  - [Gregory\\_J\\_Varner@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Gregory_J_Varner@mcpsmd.org)



# Senior Prom



- Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at the University of Maryland Riggs Alumni Center
- Tickets are expected to cost \$50
- The cost of Prom tickets & Senior Dues can be offset by the Claire's Gourmet fundraiser

# Senior Dues



- \$50 due by December 21, 2018
- Senior dues will become an obligation after Prom
  - Expenses covered:
    - Senior Dinner
    - Senior Picnic (Rehearsal)
    - Cap and Gown
    - DAR Constitution Hall
    - Graduation programs, flowers, etc.

# Senior Class Meeting



- **October 11 - Senior Class meeting**
  - Collect superlative votes
  - Hand out/collect cap and gown orders
  - Panoramic picture (Seniors should wear **RED**)
  - Claire's Gourmet fundraiser kickoff
    - **Opportunities to reduce costs of prom tickets or senior dues!**
  - Hypnotist!

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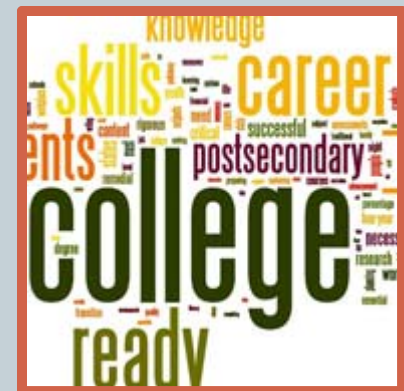


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Objective: To make the college search and application process as smooth as possible and thus minimize senior year stress.

Perfect World: 100% of applications completed before the first day of school Senior year

Realistic goal: 50-75% of applications completed



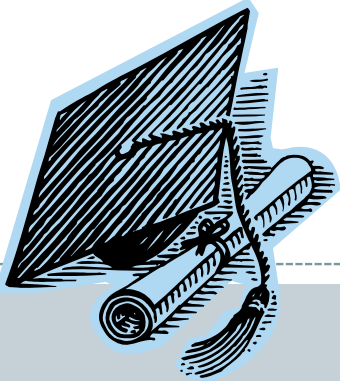
# NACAC State of Admissions Report

Factor	N	Considerable Importance	Moderate Importance	Limited Importance	No Importance
Grades in College Prep Courses	231	79.2%	13.0%	6.9%	0.9%
Grades in All Courses	229	60.3	31.0	8.7	—
Strength of Curriculum	231	60.2	26.8	10.0	3.0
Admission Test Scores (SAT, ACT)	228	55.7	32.5	7.9	3.9
Essay or Writing Sample	231	22.1	39.0	21.6	17.3
Counselor Recommendation	231	17.3	42.4	27.3	13.0
Student's Demonstrated Interest	231	16.9	33.3	26.8	22.9
Teacher Recommendation	230	15.2	43.5	27.8	13.5
Class Rank	228	14.0	37.7	32.0	16.2
Subject Test Scores (AP, IB)	227	7.0	35.2	32.6	25.1
Portfolio	229	6.6	10.0	30.6	52.8
Extracurricular Activities	231	5.6	43.3	34.6	16.5
SAT II Scores	226	5.3	8.4	23.0	63.3
Interview	229	3.5	23.1	28.4	45.0
State Graduation Exam Scores	228	3.5	11.0	25.4	60.1
Work	230	0.9	21.3	44.8	33.0

— = No institutions in category.

SOURCE: NACAC Admission Trends Survey, 2014.

# College Application Timeline

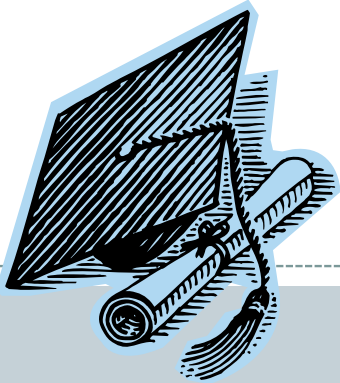


## Spring 2018

- Take SAT or ACT
- Continue Naviance Super Match College Search and identify 5-10 “Colleges I’m Thinking About”
- Complete 10 question Self-evaluation in Naviance aka “Brag Sheet”
- Continue to research and visit colleges
- Ask 1 or 2 teachers for a letter of recommendation



# College Application Timeline



## Summer 2018

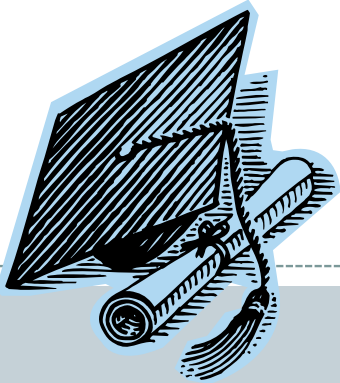
- Continue to research and visit colleges of interest (schedule a campus tour)
- Identify “Colleges I’m Applying To”
- Create organizational system w/ deadlines
- **Begin college applications (including [commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org)) on or about August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018**
- CommonApp writing prompts already available
- Take an ACT or SAT prep course if unhappy with 1<sup>st</sup> score

# Organizational System



<b>College Name</b>	<b>Common App (Y/N)</b>	<b>Early Action Deadline</b>	<b>Scholarship Deadline</b>	<b>Requirements (i.e. average GPA/ average test scores of admitted students)</b>	<b>Local Admissions Contact (Mont Co; MD; etc)</b>

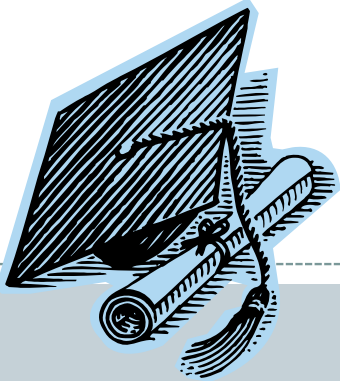
# College Application Timeline



## Fall 2018

- Take ACT or SAT again if unhappy with 1<sup>st</sup> score
- Sign up for College Visits on Naviance (VERY IMPORTANT ! Meet the actual College Rep)
- Ask teachers for letter of recommendation if you have not already (1<sup>st</sup> couple weeks of school)
- Complete self-evaluation in Naviance (if not completed already)

# College Application Timeline



## Fall 2018

- Submit Transcript Request form and List of “Colleges I’m Applying to” (given to students and available on our website)
- Finalize and submit college applications (before Early Action Deadlines)
- Send SAT and/or ACT scores to Colleges (through College Board for SAT and ACT.org for ACT)
- Complete FAFSA ([www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)) – Opens October 1<sup>st</sup> every year

# Programs To Help You Choose The Right College/Career

## Naviance-

A program designed to help students and parents with the college and career search process

[www.connection.naviance.com/einstein](http://www.connection.naviance.com/einstein)

User name: Student ID# Password: Student ID#

## **Parents -**

Email counselor to have your account activated

## College Board-

A website designed to assist students and parents with college search, scholarships, SAT registration and preparation [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

ACT- [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) website to register for the ACT



# Factors To Consider When Choosing A College

- Location
- Major
- Accreditation by Major
- Size
- Cost
- Graduation Rate
- Activities/Sports



- Diversity
- Campus Life
- Disability Services
- Facilities
- Housing
- Freshmen Retention Rate
- Alumni Job Placement



## How many college applications should I submit??

There is no magic number, however 3-9 are usually enough. This number should be made up of a combination of reach, match and safety schools.

- **Reach School**-- A reach school is 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.
- **Match School**--A match school is 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.
- **Safe School**--A safety school is 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 (Bowie, Coppin, Frostburg, Salisbury, Towson, U of Baltimore, Morgan, St. Mary's, US Naval Academy, U of MD-CP, Baltimore, Eastern Shore and University College)

# Admission Options



Early Decision (binding agreement)

Early Action (early deadline)

*Most popular*

Regular Admission

Rolling Admission

Open Admission



# Transcripts



- In order for Einstein to send transcripts, we must have parent permission.
- The transcript request form must be completed fully and turned into Ms. Malner. The form is given to students their *Life After High School* packet, and is also posted on the counseling website.
- Allow 4 weeks from submission of the transcript request form for processing. \*

## **Tasks to complete before the end of Junior year**



- **Prepare for and take the SAT and/or ACT**
- **Complete the Self-Evaluation questionnaire in Naviance**
- **Conduct Super Match College Search and add 3-10 colleges to the “Colleges I’m Thinking About” in Naviance**

## Tasks to complete over the Summer

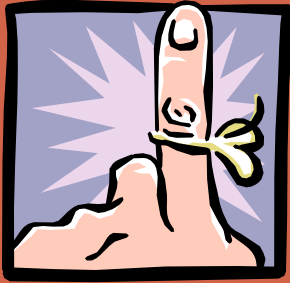


- Continue to research and visit colleges of interest/schedule campus tours
- Identify “Colleges I’m Applying to”
- Begin Applications (including Common App.org) which typically open August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018
- Write Personal Essays for applications
- Complete SSL hours

# Helpful Websites



- [www.connection.naviance.com/einstein](http://www.connection.naviance.com/einstein)
- [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)
- [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)
- [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)
- [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- [www.khanacademy.com](http://www.khanacademy.com)
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# Important Dates To Remember



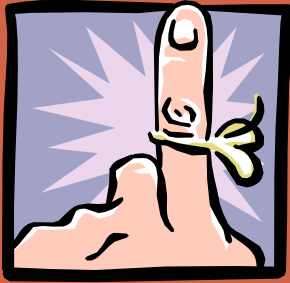
**AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS OPEN**

**SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

**SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> SENIOR PARENT MEETING**

**OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> FAFSA APPLICATION OPEN**

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> EARLY ACTION DEADLINE FOR MANY  
COLLEGES INCLUDING UMD-COLLEGE PARK**



# Important Dates for the Class of 2018



**OCTOBER 11, 2018 SENIOR CLASS MEETING (DURING  
SCHOOL DAY)**

**OCTOBER 11 – OCTOBER 30**

**CLAIRE'S GOURMET SALE**

**DECEMBER 22 SENIOR DUES ARE DUE**

**APRIL 28, 2018 SENIOR PROM AT UNIVERSITY OF  
MARYLAND RIGGS ALUMNI CENTER**

**GRADUATION DATE TBD**

# **Q&A Panel**

## **Let's hear from current seniors!**

