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## Virtual Classroom: Overview of the Admissions Process

- S** — Search: Search for schools and scholarships that meet needs.
- T** — Test: Prepare and take the required admissions test(s).
- E** — Evaluate: What schools are on your short list.
- P** — Punctuality: Create a timeline to include completing and submitting applications, essays, financial aid forms, and other required materials to ensure no important deadlines are missed.
- P** — Positive Outlook: Keep a positive attitude and be optimistic about your future.

### 11<sup>th</sup> grade/Junior Resources

1. Take Advanced Placement (AP) classes or International Baccalaureate<sup>®</sup> (IB)
2. Use the SAT and ACT official test websites to develop study methods, to register for tests, and to access and send score reports to colleges.
3. Begin creating a college list.
  - ✓ Review majors and programs in your areas of interest at different colleges.
  - ✓ Consider the size and location of the school.
  - ✓ Take into account the colleges' campus life such as dining halls, dorms, student life, or Greek Life.
4. How you will pay for college should also be considered when applying.
5. Plan a college tour to view the campus first hand.
6. Attend college fairs to gain information on various schools & what they each have to offer.
7. Learn how to effectively balance your time.
8. Get organized
9. Meet with your Guidance Counselor!
10. Get involved in extracurricular activities



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### 12<sup>th</sup> grade/Senior Resources

1. Don't let Senior-itis tempt you into skipping class or stop you from completing assignments.
2. Complete college applications early, so you can enjoy your senior year!
3. Make useful connections.

### How to apply?

- Narrow down your college choices until you reach a comfortable amount; at least 5.
- Look up each school's deadline and send in your application early.
- Understand each schools' specific admissions requirements.
  - ✓ Check each school's website for their specific requirements.
  - ✓ Or use [www.petersons.com](http://www.petersons.com) to review school requirements and more.

### What you'll need for every application

- A copy of your high school transcript
- A list of your extracurricular activities
- Test scores (SAT/ACT)
  - \*waived for many universities for 2020/21 acceptance*
- Parent/Legal Guardian Information
  - ✓ Educational background, occupational information, employer information, etc.

### Early Decision

- If you are **passionate about one particular school**, then you should consider applying as an Early Decision candidate.
- Early Decision candidates submit their application in November to their top college and receive an admission decision by December.
- If you're accepted, then you agree to attend that college and accept their financial aid package.

### Regular Decision

- If you are **interested in multiple schools**, then you should consider applying as a Regular Decision candidate.
- Regular Decision candidates submit their application in late December or January and receive a decision in the spring.
- If you're accepted into multiple schools, then you are able to compare financial aid packages and to pick the college that fits you.



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**Test Prep Resources**

College Board

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

ACT

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

Khan Academy

[www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)

Princeton Review

<https://www.princetonreview.com/>

Kaplan

<https://www.kaptest.com/>

Tutoring

WyzAnt <https://www.wyzant.com/>

San Diego Tutor <https://www.sandiegotutor.com/>

**Resources for Admission**

[www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)

This website allows you to fill out one application that can be submitted to multiple colleges at one time.

[www.commonblackcollegeapp.com](http://www.commonblackcollegeapp.com)

Are you interested in attending an HBCU? Well this website allows you to apply to multiple HBCUs at one time with one, simple application.