

Wantagh High School Guidance and Counseling Department Timeline for the College Application Process for Seniors

August

- Log in or create account on [Naviance](#) and [Common App](#). Create an email to use for college and share this email address with your counselor. Check this email daily.
- Check your schedule to make sure you have all the courses you need to graduate.
- Register to take the October 7 SAT (registration deadline September 7). ACT exams are offered each week at various locations.
- GPA is available on your Naviance Family Connection account as of August 25.
GPA will be updated if necessary and finalized by September 29.

September

- Attend the College Information Night at 7:00PM on September 6.
- Listen carefully to your Guidance Counselor during the Senior College Workshops on September 14, read the literature provided and ask questions if you do not understand something. *Let your Counselor know if you are applying Early Decision or Early Action.*
- Check your unofficial transcript for errors. Corrections are due to your Counselor no later than Wednesday September 22.
- Approach those teachers whom you asked to write a letter of recommendation and politely make sure they have done so. Provide them with information on our Letter of Recommendation form. Do not use *Common App* to request recommendation letters.
- Consult with your Counselor during your Senior Conference and provide him/her with a list of colleges of which you plan to apply.
- Attend the [NACAC College Fairs \(virtual\)](#)
- Check the [Wantagh High School Guidance Department](#) website regularly.
- Final GPA will be available on Naviance by September 29.
- Check your email for dates of our College Onsite Decision Days, as well as our visits from College representatives.
- Attend the Financial Aid Information Night at 7:00PM, September 27.

October

- Attend the [Nassau Counselors Association Fall College Expo](#) on October 3 at Adelphi University 5:30PM – 8:30PM.
- File all Financial Aid Forms (FAFSA and CSS Profile).
- Register to take the November 4 SAT (Deadline October 5).
- The Guidance Department will begin accepting Transcript Request Forms on October 2.
- Attend college fairs, information sessions and open houses.
- Complete applications, essays, activity sheets, etc., and follow up with teachers to ensure that your letters are ready.
- Be conscious of Early Decision/Early Action Deadlines.
- Note the deadline for your applications and submit Transcript Request Forms **ten school days** prior to that deadline.



November

- Participate in our On-Site Application Days for Nassau Community College, LIU Post, Adelphi, Molloy and Hofstra (all dates to be determined)
- Register to take the December 2 SAT (deadline November 2)
- Submit all Transcript Request Forms by the November 16, 2023 deadline.
- Write a thank you note to all teachers who wrote letters or comment sheets for you.

December

- Submit requests for mid-year grades to be sent to colleges to your Counselor. If you apply via *Common App*, mid year grades are sent automatically.

January

- File for Scholarships. Take note of the Scholarship Bulletins available on our website.
- Continue to visit and research your college choices. Interest in the college is a factor in admissions.

February/March/April

- If you are wait-listed, consider drafting an updated activity sheet and informing the college of how much you wish to be accepted (if indeed true).
- Upon receiving acceptances from colleges, see your Counselor to assist you in making the right choice.
- When you decide on the college you wish to attend, send all others who have accepted you a letter declining their offer.
- Notify your Counselor when you receive acceptances, scholarship or other offers.

May

- Complete the Graduation Survey in Naviance.

