

Hasbrouck Heights High School
Class of 2024



Senior Night
College Admissions Process Presentation

Presented by: Your School Counselors

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Updates & Upcoming Events

- College Visits for Fall '23: Colleges are scheduled to visit our school between September and December. Students **MUST** register to attend these visits by logging into Naviance.
- Senior Meetings: School counselors will meet with each senior individually beginning tomorrow, Tuesday, September 19th through the end of October. Students will sign up for an appointment by accessing their counselor's Google Calendar that was emailed to them.
- Authorization to Release Educational Records Form
- Google Classroom: All students must join the Google Classroom for your graduating class to receive important information from your school counselor throughout the year:

Class of 2024
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Brandeis

U N I V E R S I T Y



[Behind the Scenes @ Brandeis University](#)



Key Points from Admission Committee at Brandeis College

- 15 Minute Read
- Rigor or Strength of Transcript
- GPA
- Extracurricular Activities
- Leadership
- Life Experience/Hardship
- Resiliency



What colleges are looking at...

- Academic Record (GPA & Rigor)
- Standardized Test Scores
- Essay and/or Personal Statement
- Extracurricular Activities, Athletics, Service, Employment, Internships, etc.
- Honors and Awards
- Letters of Recommendation
- Demonstrated Interest/Interview



Application Process Overview

Student Expectations

- Finalize your list of colleges
- Add colleges to Naviance
- Request Letters of Recommendation
- Complete all Brag Sheets
- Complete Applications
- Write College Essay(s)
- Send Test Scores
- Submit Transcript Request Form to counselor
- Follow up

Check out our Step-by-Step College
Application Process Checklist!



What colleges will you apply to?

- If you don't already know, continue to:
 - Research colleges on Naviance (SuperMatch search) and other websites.
 - Take campus visits and tours.
 - Attend college rep visits through HHHS (sign up on Naviance).
 - Speak with your counselor!



Which Application Type is Right for Me?

- Early Decision (Binding Agreement)
- Early Action
- Restrictive Early Action



Click here for more information about applying early!



Which Application Type is Right for Me?

- Regular Admissions
- Rolling Admissions
- Open Admissions



Community College

- Reasons why a community college could be right for you:
 - Affordable Cost
 - Undecided about college major
 - Open admissions policy
 - Plan to commute



A scholarship program exclusively for New Jersey residents that covers the cost of tuition at New Jersey's 19 community colleges.


- Students who rank in the top 15 percent of their high school class at the end of either junior or senior year will be eligible.




Adding Colleges to Naviance



- Add your list of colleges (applying to) into Naviance
- Application type (early, regular, rolling)
- Application format (common app, direct to institution)
- Application status (pending, submitted, or unknown)

[Manage Transcripts](#) [Application Milestones](#) [Compare Me](#) 




Monmouth University


EA

Early Action
December 1


no request

Pending


CA

Unknown 

EDIT

MORE 

College that I'm attending:

N/A 

Update

Make your College List on Naviance



 Cancel

Move to College Applications

STEP 1

STEP 2

Add Applications

Request Transcripts

Monmouth University

Which application deadline do you prefer?

N/A



How will you submit your application?

I'm not sure yet

☐

I've already sent my application

Add Applications

ADD AND REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS



Ways to Apply to College

- Common App
- Directly to the Institution

[Manage Transcripts](#) [Application Milestones](#) [Compare Me](#)


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

College	Type	Deadline	Transcripts	Office materials	Submission Type	Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Monmouth University	EA	Early Action 1	no request	Pending		Unknown EDIT MORE
<input type="checkbox"/> Montclair State University	ROLL	Rolling	April 1	no request		Unknown EDIT MORE

College that I'm attending:
N/A

Update

Common Application

- Create an account at  www.commonapp.org
- More than 900 colleges/universities accept the Common Application.
- Be sure to check for college specific supplemental questions that need to be completed.
- Match your Common App account with your Naviance Account.
- Each college application must be submitted separately.



Direct to Institution

- Go to the college website
- Go to Admissions
- Go to Undergraduate
- Go to Apply Now
- Create an account
- Fill out the application
- Submit your application

Please note: Students may be required to complete the Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR), e.g. Rutgers.

A list of schools that accept SRAR can be found

 [here](#).



Teacher Letter of Recommendation


- Two letters from core academic teachers
- Request in person: Mandatory
- Complete Teacher Brag Sheets on Naviance
 - Under 'About Me' tab
 - Select 'My Surveys'
 - Select 'Surveys Not Started'
- Electronically request through Naviance
 - Under the Colleges Home Tab, select Letters of Recommendation
 - Select Add Request
 - Select a teacher from the drop down
 - Select General Request (instead of a specific request)
- Follow up with teachers
- Send a Thank You note



Teacher Letter of Recommendation

Step 1

Apply to Colleges

 COLLEGES
I'm applying to

Letters of Recommendation

College Events

Manage Transcripts

Test scores

Show less



Step 2

Letters of recommendation

Your Requests

You can request new letters of recommendation and track the most recent status of your requests here.





Add Request

Recommendation For ^	Deadline ^	Recommender(s)	Status ⓘ	Cancel Request
<div></div> <p>Your recommendation requests will show up here.</p> <div></div> <div>Add Request</div>				


Personal Essay

- Follow directions (word count).
- See Common App essay prompts.
- Proofread and have at least one other person read.
- Do not repeat resume/application information.
- Research and read what was considered 'good' essays.
- Should give insight into who you are, your values, how you think.
- Open strong, show you can write, be direct.
- Be authentic!

Support for Writing Your College Essay

- Here are the  Common App Essay prompts for the 2023-2024 school year.
- This is a good place to start, but some colleges have their own unique essay questions and/or a short supplemental essay you may also need to complete.
- Here are some additional resources:
 - College Board -  Big Future Essay Writing Page
 -  Princeton Review Essay Writing
 -  Ivy Wise List of Essay Writing Resources

Transcript Request Form

- The Transcript Request Form is **required** to release your transcript and supporting documents to the colleges you've applied to.
- The Transcript Request Form **must** be filled out each time you submit an application to a college at least **2 weeks** prior to your deadline.
- Parent **must** fill out the  Authorization to Release Educational Records prior to release of any records.

HHHS Deadline for Transcript Request Form	College Application Deadline
October 2, 2023	October 15, 2023
October 18, 2023	November 1, 2023
November 1, 2023	November 15, 2023
November 17, 2023	December 1, 2023
December 1, 2023	December 15, 2023
December 8, 2023	January 1-10, 2024
January 3, 2024	January 15, 2024
January 18, 2024	February 1, 2024
February 16, 2024	March 1, 2024



Transcript

Hasbrouck Heights School District											
Hasbrouck Heights High School 365 Boulevard Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604											
Parent or Guardian		Student ID		Sex		Date of Birth					
Guidance Counselor		CEEB Code 310510		Entry		Withdrawal		Graduation			
Student Academic History											
(H) Honors		(Pre AP) Pre Advanced Placement		(AP) Advanced Placement		(DE) Dual Enrollment		(SS) Summer School			
Grade 09 Year 2012-13		Final Grade		Credits		Grade 10 Year 2013-14		Final Grade			
Personal Finance English 9 Spanish II World History Pre AP Geometry H Phys. Ed/Health 9 Biology Pre AP		A B+ A- A- A+ A+ A		5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000		English/Language Arts 10 Pre AP Algebra II Honors Chemistry Pre AP Early US Pre AP Piano Spanish III Phys. Ed/Health 10		A A B+ A- A+ A A+		5.000 5.000 8.000 5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000	
GPA 4.3714		Credits Earned		35.000		GPA 4.4583		Credits Earned		36.000	
Grade 11 Year 2014-15		Final Grade		Credits		Grade 12 Year 2015-16		Grade		Credits	
English/Language Arts 11 Pre Calculus Honors AP Chemistry Physics Pre AP Modern US History Pre AP Photography Phys. Ed/Health 11		A- A- B- B+ B A A+		5.000 5.000 6.000 5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000		English/Language Arts 12 AP Calculus AB AP Physics C Contemporary U.S. Issues Creative Art Phys. Ed/Health 12		A A- B A B+ A+		5.000 6.000 5.000 5.000 5.000 5.000	
GPA 4.0689		Credits Earned		36.000		GPA 4.2846		Credits Earned		31.000	
Cumulative Data Weighted		Total Credits Earned		138.000		Total Q.P.		Cumulative GPA		4.2964	
										Decile Ranking 3	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end; padding-top: 20px;"> <div>Counselor</div> <div>Date</div> <div>School Seal</div> </div>											

- Courses
- Grades
- Cumulative GPA
 - 5.0 Scale
 - Weighted
- Rank
 - Decile
 - Weighted
- Graduating Class: ≈142



Testing and Scores

Note: Since 2020, many schools have opted to remain Test Optional.

Results after taking test (SAT: approx. 3 weeks, ACT: approx. 3-8 weeks).

- Confirm test policy at each college.
- Submitting your scores to your schools:

IMPORTANT: All students are responsible for submitting their own scores to each school you apply through.

👉 www.collegeboard.com or 👉 www.actstudent.org

- Counselors are not able to send your scores for you
- It can take up to two weeks for your score to be received by your schools.
- Test Optional Schools
 - 👉 Fairtest.org



Standardized Test Prep Options

Need help preparing for the SAT/ACT?


Click on the links below for support:

-  **Khan Academy**
-  **CollegeBoard**
- You can also download the  **Daily Practice** app, which will prompt you to complete 1 SAT prep question each day.
-  **ACT**

If you have further questions about testing, do not hesitate to contact your counselor!



Financial Aid & Scholarships

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid ( [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov)):
 - Opens December 2023
- Local scholarships will be posted on the HS website around February 2024.
- Regional scholarships are emailed to students when the counseling office receives them.
- National scholarships can be found through Naviance or other sites below.

Other Resources:

-  www.fastweb.com
-  www.collegeboard.com
-  [Naviance](#)





Feedback Form



Thank You

Your feedback is greatly appreciated.
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regarding this presentation!

