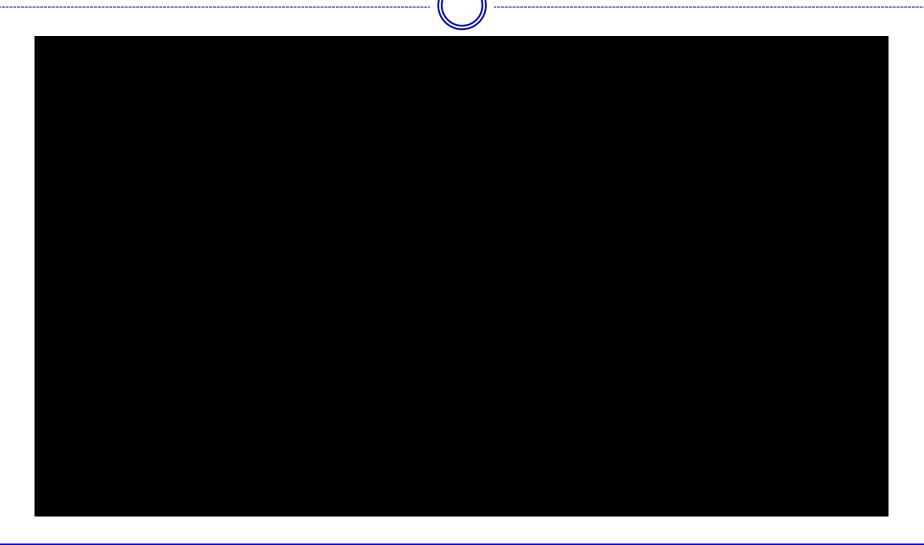
FUTURE 101 PRESENTATION

Ragsdale High School School Counseling Department



College Application Tips





Class of 2019 Graduation Requirements

- 4 English: English I, II, III, IV
- 4 Math: Math I, Math III, Math beyond Math III
- 3 Science: Earth/Environmental Science, Biology, Physical Science
- 4 Social Studies: World History, Civics & Economics, American History 1 & 2 OR

AP U.S. History and a Social Studies elective

1 Healthful Living: Health and Physical Education

CPR

12 Electives:

REQUIRED - any 2 from Arts, World Language or Career and Technical education (a minimum of 2 levels of the same world language are required for admission to the UNC System).

RECOMMENDED - any 4 that form a concentration - Arts, Career and Technical Education, JROTC, or any other subject area (social studies, science, math, English, World Languages)

28 Total Credits



What is YOUR College Fit?

What should I consider?

- + 2-year (Associate's) or 4-year (Bachelor's) degree
- + In-state vs. out-of-state schools
- + Large vs. small school
- + Available majors
- + Co-ed, All Male, All Female
- + Live on-campus or off-campus
- + Climate, harsh winters
- + Sports, clubs, social offerings
- + Research Opportunities, Study Abroad Opportunities
- + Graduation Rate

Planning for College



The State of North Carolina has:

- •16 state-supported universities
- •36 independent colleges and universities
- •58 community colleges

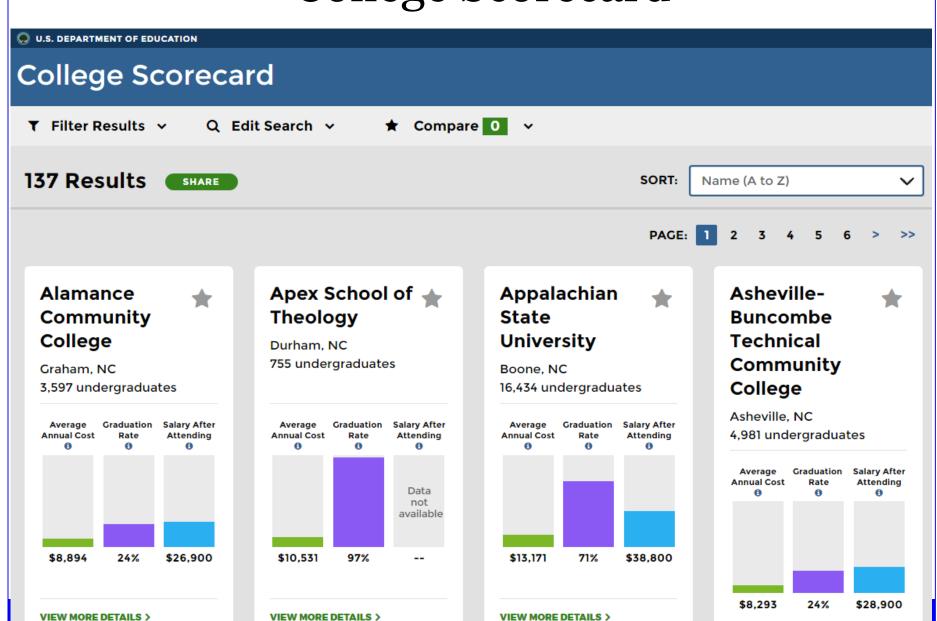


A total of <u>110</u> in-state colleges and universities from which to choose!

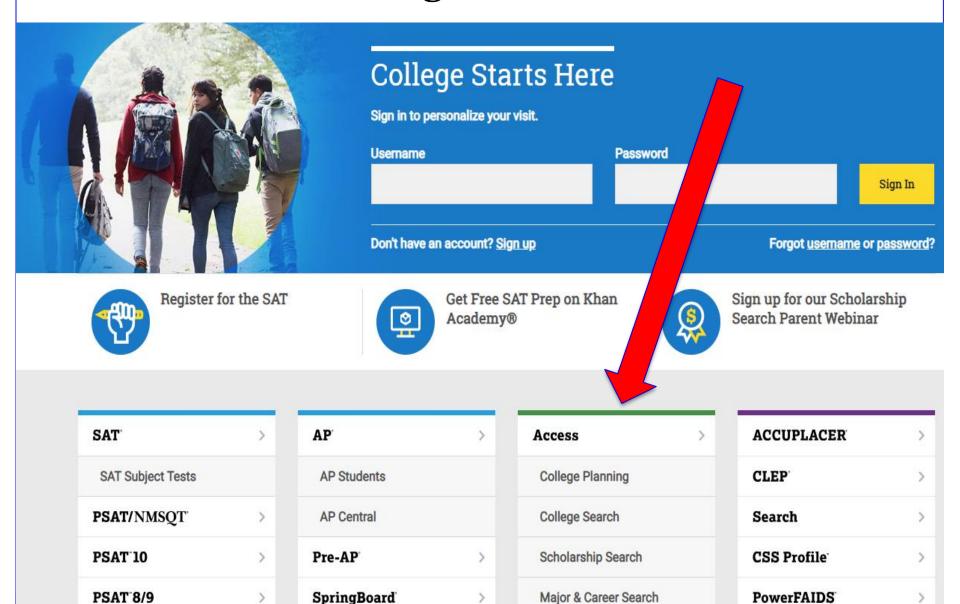
So if you haven't already visited, **NOW** is the time!

Don't wait any longer! Schedule a tour today!

College Scorecard



College Board



Planning for College

NC's 16 State-Supported Colleges/Universities

UNC system college information: http://www.northcarolina.edu/

• Appalachian State University

East Carolina University

Elizabeth City State University*

Fayetteville State University*

• UNC School of the Arts

NC A & T State University*

NC Central University*

• NC State University

UNC-Asheville

UNC-Chapel Hill

UNC-Charlotte

UNC-Greensboro

UNC-Pembroke*

UNC-Wilmington

Western Carolina University

Winston Salem State University*

Must meet minimum admission requirements to apply (2.5 GPA, 850 SAT, 17 ACT).

Planning for College

NC's 36 Independent Colleges/Universities

NC Independent Colleges/Universities: http://www.ncicu.org/

• B	arton	Col	lege*	
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Belmont Abbey College*

Bennett College*

Brevard College*

Cabarrus College*

Campbell University*

Catawba College*

Chowan University*

Davidson College*

• **Duke University**

Elon University

Greensboro College*

Guilford College*

High Point University

Johnson C. Smith University*

Lees-McRae College*

Lenoir-Rhyne University*

Livingstone College*

Louisburg College*

Mars Hill University*

Meredith College*

Methodist University*

Gardner-Webb University* Montreat College*

University of Mount Olive*

NC Wesleyan College*

Pfeiffer University*

Queens University of Charlotte*

St. Andrews University*

Saint Augustine's University*

Salem College*

Shaw University*

Wake Forest University

Warren Wilson College*

William Peace University*

Wingate University*

*Waiving college application fee October 15-19, 2018

2018 GPA, ACT, and SAT Average and/or Mid-Range

School	Avg. GPA	SAT CR	SAT Math	Avg. ACT composite
UNC-G	3.89	520-620	519-590	24
UNC-W	3.91-4.48	SAT Average 1248		25
NC State	4.59	SAT Average 1320		29
UNC-CH	4.67	675	672	30
Guilford College	3.19	513	511	22
East Carolina	3.78	558	552	22
UNC-Charlotte	4.01	595	597	23
NCA&T	3.51	470-550	460-540	17-22

Community College Information

NC Community Colleges: http://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/

NC Community College System:

- One of the largest systems of higher education in the nation with $\underline{58}$ comprehensive community colleges serving all 100 NC counties.
- One within a 30-minute drive of all NC residents.
- Lowest tuition in the Southeast Region one of the lowest in the nation!
- You may apply to the community college of your choice, regardless of your county of residence.
- You may complete the <u>first 2 years</u> of a 4-year degree through the College Transfer Program <u>OR</u> enroll in a 2-year Associates Degree program.
- Gives you time to improve academic skills and complete college minimum admissions requirements or focus on a specialized area of study.

Community College Information

Guilford Technical Community College: gtcc.edu

What does GTCC have to offer?

- Offers 2-year college transfer program and technical programs
- •Associate degrees in arts, engineering, fine arts, and science; diplomas and certificates in a wide range of academic programs
- Courses taught at 7 campus locations and online
- 74% of students receive financial aid-Complete the GTCC scholarship application online!

Community College Information

Accounting	Dental Assistant/Hygiene	
Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Technology	Medical Office Administration	
Automotive Systems Technology	Nursing	
Aviation Electronics Technology	Paralegal Technology	
Aviation Management	Physical Therapist Assistant	
Basic Law Enforcement	Physics	
Technology	Plumbing	
Business Administration	Real Estate	
Chemistry	Simulation & Game Development	
Cosmetology	Supply Chain Management	
Culinary Arts	Surgical or Welding Technology	
Cyber Crime Technology	Turfgrass Management	



Ways to Apply to College

+ Early Decision

- → This is *BINDING*, meaning if your student is accepted to the institution they are expected to enroll; must sign a form indicating intent to enroll if admitted; usually requires a non-refundable deposit if admitted
- → Early application deadline
- → Typically receive admissions decision by December/January
- + This application is for students who absolutely know what their #1 choice school is and will attend if admitted no matter the aid received
- Shows seriousness of applicant
- Use school's net price calculator and consult with their financial aid officer before choosing Early Decision
- + You can only apply Early Decision to **ONE** school; must withdraw all other applications that have been submitted if accepted ED



Ways to Apply to College

+ Early Action

- → This is *NOT BINDING*, meaning if your student is accepted to the institution they do not have to enroll
- May apply early action to multiple schools
- ★ Early application deadline—usually October/November
- → Typically receive admissions decision by late January
- * Students who are not admitted Early Action may be "deferred" to the Regular Decision deadline, though these policies will vary between schools.
- → Have until May 1 to accept or decline admissions offer



Ways to Apply to College

+ Regular Decision

- → This is *NOT BINDING*, meaning if your student is accepted to the institution they do not have to enroll
- → Later application deadline—generally early January
- + Decisions usually received late March/early April
- → Have until May 1st (National Decision Day) to accept or decline offer



Types of College Applications

+ School Application

→ This application can be found on the institution's Admissions page

+ Common Application

- → This application can be found on www.commonapp.org
- Utilized by over 800 colleges and universities worldwide
- One application that can be used for multiple schools
- ★ Requires students to write essay from one of five prompts
- Some institutions have supplemental requirements



Information for Applications

- + Name
- + Address
- + Phone number
- + Student E-mail Address

 This should be a PROFESSIONAL e-mail
- + Social Security Number
- + Citizenship and residency information
- + High schools you have attended
- + College credits you have earned (if applicable)
- + Parental information
- + Senior-year schedule
- + Standardized test scores (<u>www.CollegeBoard.org</u> /<u>www.ACT.org</u>)
- + Parents' names and contact information (including their work numbers and emails), the college(s) they attended, if any, and graduation years.



What to send with your Application

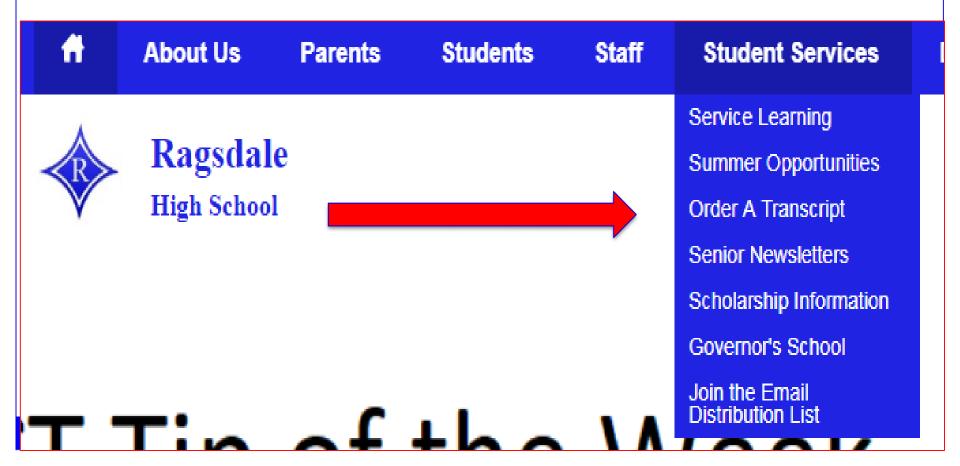
- **→**Official Transcript
- **→**Letter(s) of recommendation
- **+**Essay(s)/Personal Statement(s)
- **→**Application Fee
- **→**Official SAT/ACT scores

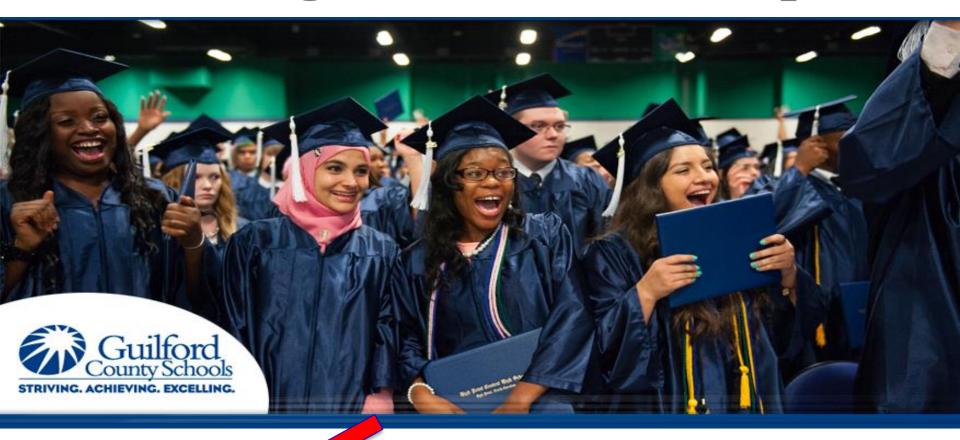


Official Transcripts

Students MUST order their transcript through ScribOrder.

1.Go to Ragsdale website/Student Services/Order a Transcript.





Select To Get Started:



CLICK HERE if you are CURRENT STUDENT and would like to order your student record or transcript

En Español

veral Information

Guilford County Schools is now offering a secure site for current and former students to access transcripts, attendance, and employment verifications.

Per District policy and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) student records are only available to those who have authorization from the student or parent, guardian or responsible person if the student is less than 18 years of age. If the student is 18 years of age or older, school records will not be released to a parent, guardian, or responsible person without the student's written consent.

CURRENT STUDENTS may use CFNC.org to send transcripts to colleges and universities in North Carolina for free. CLICK HERE TO ACCESS CFNC.ORG



Current Student Records Request Step 1, Please Enter All Information

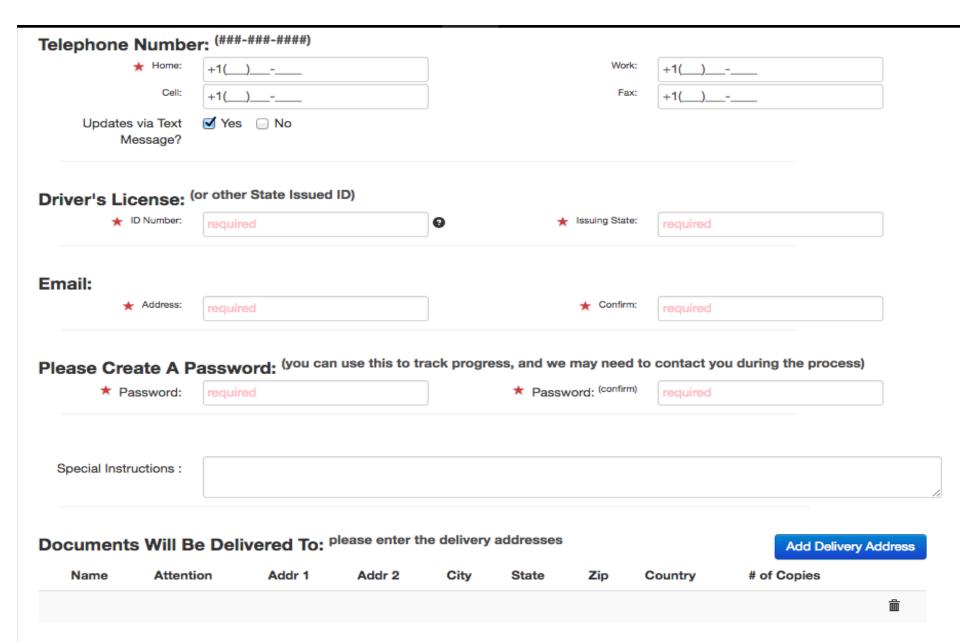
This is an official request for a copy of a student record. The information contained in this request should be considered private. Please complete all information in full and then finalize the order process by clicking 'Proceed to Check Out'. The information required on this page is necessary to verify and protect your school record from being accessed by unauthorized individuals.

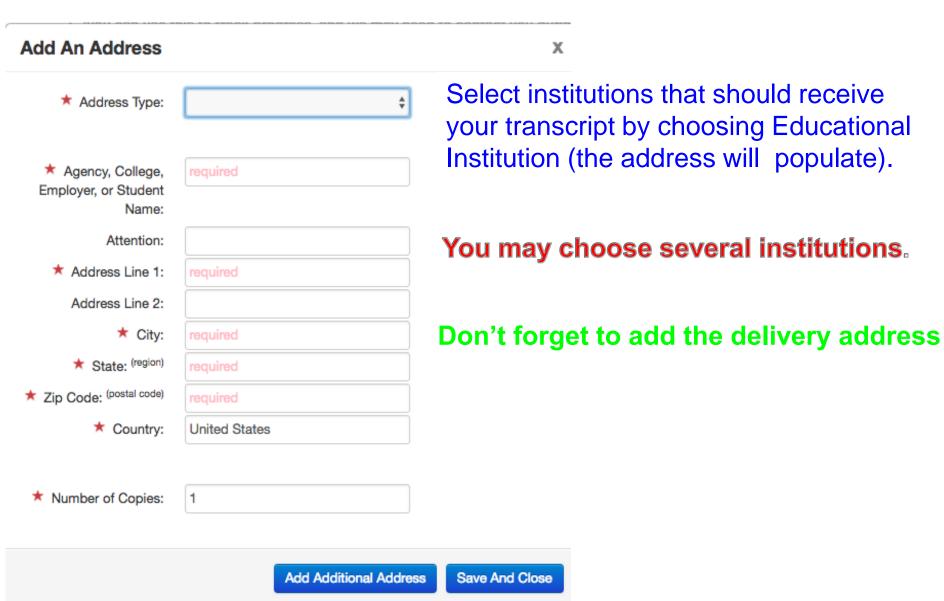
You will receive emails from scribOnline@scribsoft.com to notify you of the status of your order. It is important you read those emails carefully as additional information may be required to process your request.

ACCESSING THE ORDER TRACKER: Once the order has been submitted and payment received, you will be directed to a confirmation page which contains the link to the Order Tracker. You will also receive a link to the Order Tracker via email from **scribonline@scribsoft.com**. To access the Order Tracker, you will enter your email address, order number and password.

If you do NOT have a SSN and/or Driver's License, please enter '9999' in the appropriate fields below. If your school is not available to select from the list presented, please enter OTHER SCHOOL and enter the school name in the Special Instructions box.

Student's Current	Name:							
★ Last Name:	required	★ First Name:	required					
Middle Name:								
Maiden Name:		Suffix:						
★ Last 4 SSN:	required	★ Last 4 SSN: (confirm)	required					
Student ID:								
	ed To Student's Birth:							
★ Date of Birth:	mm/dd/yyyy	★ Current Age:	required					
Birth City:								
Birth State:								
Birth Country:	United States							
Your Current Guilfe	ord County Schools Scho	ol of Attendance:						
★ Name of School :	required							
★ Grade:		•						
Current Residence Address: (this may be different than the mailing address)								
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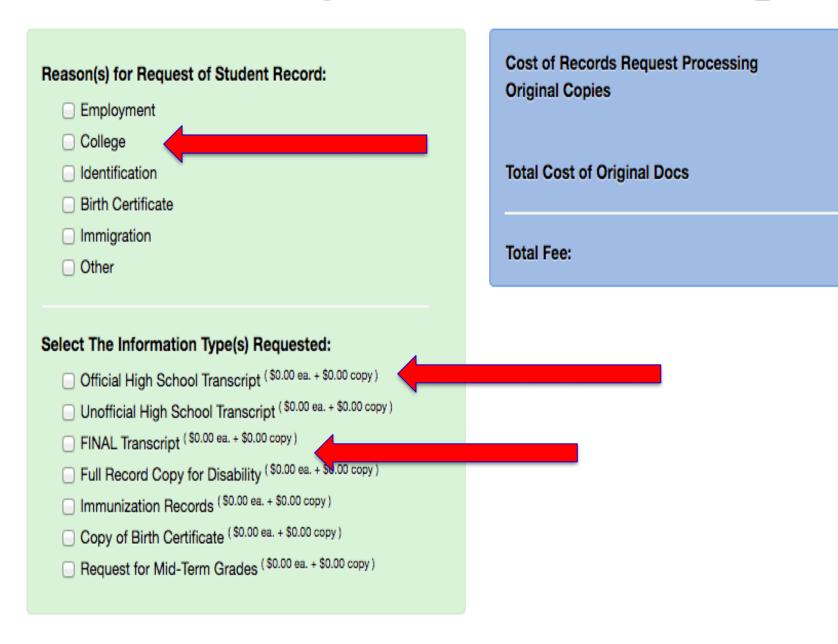




1 Type(s) Requested:

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AUTHORIZATION NOTIFICATION:

My initials below constitute an electronic signature and authorizes Guilford County Schools to release information and / or my student record and confirms I have completed all sections accurately and truthfully, including information verifying my identity. I understand that the recipient of the record(s) will use the indicated documents(s) for legitimate interests only and that the information contained therein shall not be further transferred or communicated to any other part or agency without my expressed written consent except under authority of Public Law 93-380, Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

I have enclosed the correct fees and understand that they are nonrefundable. I understand that an incomplete form will not be processed and will be considered closed after expiration of the 30 day notification window. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Please enter your e-Signature ** Your Initials: required - For security purposes, we logged your IP Address: 2606:a000:1006:92:3967:35a:fbe6:818d, 162.158.186.104, 30.1.2.161 - Date/Time of Completion: 10/11/2018 at 20:54 hours **Coupon Code:** Coupon Code:**

Say Yes Registration Portal For information go to: http://sayyesguilford.org/

SAY YES TO EDUCATION GUILFORD

Providing access to services, support and scholarships designed to prepare Guilford County Schools students for success in college, career and life.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR SAY YES GUILFORD SCHOLARSHIPS

AGREEMENT REACHED TO ACCELERATE LOCAL CONTROL OF SAY YES GUILFORD CHAPTER

The Say Yes to Education National organization and Guilford County community leaders have announced that they have reached an agreement to accelerate local control of the chapter.

READ MORE ...

Transcripts

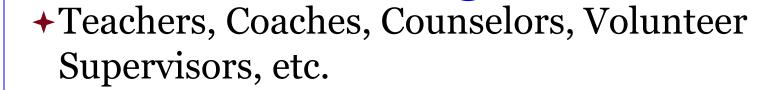
→ For Common Application schools, counselors will upload transcript to Common App for schools to access.

→It is also wise to order through ScribOrder to ensure delivery.

+Students should allow <u>several days</u> for their transcript requests to be processed.



Letters of Recommendation



★Letters of recommendation should NOT come from family members

→Provide a detailed resume to help recommenders in crafting your letter of recommendation



Essays/ Personal Statements

- ★ Every school will differ in their essay/personal statement requirements
- → Pay attention to application requirements for *EACH* individual school you are applying to
- ★ Essays/ personal statements provide you with opportunity to share more about yourself outside of academics. Be creative! This is the voice of your application.
- → English teachers are an EXCELLENT resource—critiquing, proofing, etc.



Application Fees

- **→**Every school will differ in their application fee.
- ◆These fees can add up quickly! Make sure you aren't applying to schools just for the sake of applying.
- → If you are eligible for free/reduced lunch, see your counselor for a fee waiver.



SAT/ ACT Scores

- → Most schools require the SAT or ACT as part of their application.
- → Most schools will accept either test
 - + Double-check with the schools you wish to apply to
 - → This information can typically be found on their Admissions page
- → It is the **STUDENT'S** responsibility to send *official* SAT/ACT scores to the schools they are applying to
 - → SAT: <u>www.collegeboard.org</u>
 - → ACT: <u>www.act.org</u>
- → If you qualify for free/reduced lunch, see your counselor for a fee waiver.

Testing Dates and Deadlines

Fall SAT Test Dates:

<u>Date</u> <u>Register By</u>

November 3 October 5

December 1 November 2

*Late registration and fees

can be found online

Fall ACT Test Dates:

<u>Date</u> <u>Register By</u>

October 27 September 28

December 8 November 2



Application Process in a Nutshell



- ☐ Finalize the list of colleges and universities to which you will apply.
- □ Visit each school preferably while school is in session.
- Understand all application requirements for each school. Follow directions carefully.
- □ Take or retake the SAT/ACT.
- □ Ask two teachers in major subject areas for letters of recommendation.
- □ Prepare final drafts of your essays.
- ☐ Have someone you trust proofread all application materials.
- □ Check all application deadlines and submit your materials on time.
- Be sure to include any required fees with your applications.
- □ Confirm that all of your college application materials have been received by each school to which you applied.

Paying for College





From Ragsdale's Student Services page, click on Student Services/Scholarship Information. Search for scholarships each week!

- Each scholarship has its own criteria and deadline.
- Many local scholarships become available in the spring.
- Research each institution's scholarships on their individual website.

Remind - Text @Ragsdale2019 to 81010 for scholarship information and reminders for seniors!

And don't forget www.cfnc.org, fastweb.com, scholarships.com, http://scholarshipplus.com/Guilford/





- + Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- → Federal Aid, State Aid, Institutional Aid
- → If your student is college-bound, you **must** file FAFSA!
- → FAFSA will ask for personal information, tax information, schools student has applied to, etc. and will identify your Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

Cost of Attendance (COA)

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

NEED (Loans, Grants, Work-Study, Scholarships)





- You will receive you SAR (Student Aid Report) via email 3-5 days after submitting FAGSA online as long as you provide a valid email address on you FAFSA.
- The SAR provides a summary of your FAGSA, your EFC (Estimated Family Contribution) and basic information about your eligibility for federal student aid.
- The colleges listed on your FAFSA will use the SAR to determine your eligibility for financial aid, so make sure everything is correct on your SAR. IF you find a mistake, you will need to correct or update your FAFSA.





- Depending on your EFC, each college will use the information from SAT to create a package of financial aid. It will vary school to school.
- BEWARE OF LOANS!
- Read the fine print of your award package. Realize that what is offered one year may not be offered the next.
- CSS Profile: **REQUIRED** by UNC, Elon, Duke, Wake Forest, Davidson, and a number of out-of-state schools. Must complete the CSS Profile in addition to the FAFSA. Cssprofile.collegeboard.org (more extensive than FAFSA)





- → Available beginning October 1st Make sure you use the 2019-2020 form.
- → Must be completed each year student is in college
- → Must provide 2017 tax information—not 2018
- → Student *and* 1 parent/guardian will need to apply for FSA ID (*used to sign and submit FAFSA*) https://fsaid.ed.gov
- → Parent can use the same FSA ID if they have more than 1 child completing the FAFSA.
- → The sooner you complete FAFSA, the more aid you may be eligible for...do not wait!
- → You can always update FAFSA with additional schools your student has chosen to apply to.

Residency Determination







❖You must prove you are a resident of NC to receive in-state tuition

❖Go to <u>www.ncresidency.org</u> to complete Residency Determination.

❖You will receive a Residency Certification Number (RCN) which will be used on all in-state applications.

Military/Recruiter Information

See Ms. Whitley in Student Services (B155 Guidance) to connect to a recruiter and find out about taking the ASVAB.

This is a <u>free</u> assessment that can be used as a career-planning tool to help determine your aptitudes and abilities.

Taking the ASVAB does not commit you to the military!

ROTC scholarships – See Major Cobb or Chief McMillan for ROTC scholarship opportunities.

Military/Recruiter Information

Visit websites:

Air Force, www.airforce.com;

Army, www.goarmy.com;

Navy, www.navy.com;

Marines, www.marines.com;

Coast Guard, www.gocoastguard.com.

NCAA www.ncaa.org



Athletes need to create a Certification Account if they want to compete T taken at the Division 1 or 2 level.



NCAA COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENT-ATHLETES

ENTER HERE

HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

ENTER HERE

Click here to view the technical requirements for this website.

Still not sure which path is for you?



Career Planning <u>www.cfnc.org</u>
Kuder Career Assessment <u>www.kuder.com</u>
The Career Key <u>www.careerkey.org</u>



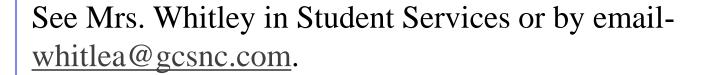








Take a Career Personality Test, Interest Inventory, Skills Profiler, and Values Assessment







IMPORTANT DATES

October 1:	FAFSA 2019-20 opens
October:	Say Yes Registration Portal open (sayyesguilford.org)
October 6:	SAT at Ragsdale
October 7:	Teacher workday—applications, tour
October 10:	No school for seniors—applications, tours, service learning
October 10:	Guilford Parent Academy College Planning Series: Cash for College, Financial Aid, and Scholarships. 6-7:30PM Bennett College/Global Learning Center 507 Gorrell Street, Greensboro
October 15-19:	College Application Week (School counselors in computer lab 16th, 17th, 18th after school)
October 25	???????????????
October 27:	ACT / FAFSA Day at GTCC
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November 2:	Teacher Workday—applications, tours, scholarships, service learning
November 3:	SAT at Ragsdale



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And remember, if the going ever gets rough,



We are here for you!!



KEEP CALM AND

JUST BE AWESOME

KeepCalmAndPosters.com

To Stay Informed

Continually Check:

- Ragsdale High School (RHS) Website
- RHS School Counseling Webpage
- RHS Scholarship Webpage
- Join the Remind group for your student's appropriate grade level