

Senior Family Night



Class of 2024

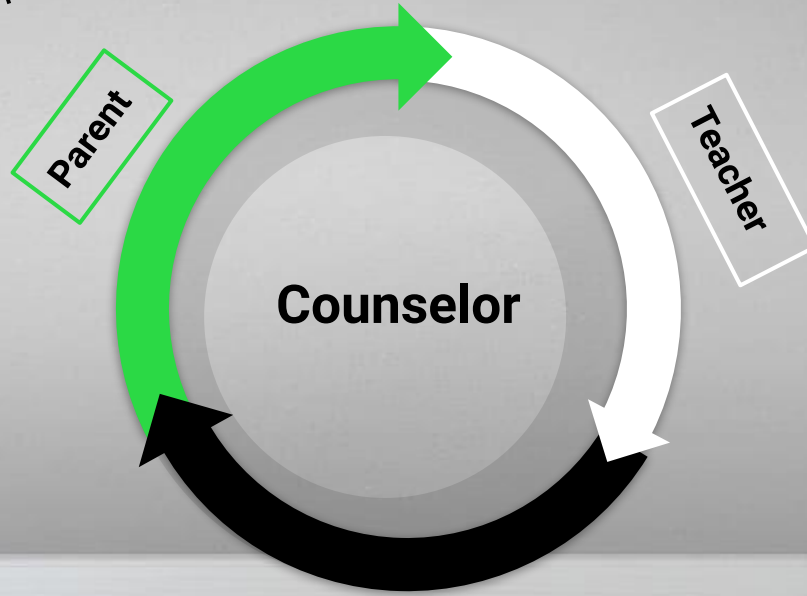


Agenda

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Everyone works together



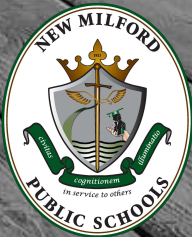
Applying
to
College is
a Team
Effort

Student



The Four Parts to the Application Process

1. Application
2. SAT or ACT scores
3. Teacher Recommendations
4. Transcript/School Secondary Report/Profile and Counselor Recommendation



Student Responsibilities

Complete the application(s) ~ School Specific Application, Common Application, or Coalition Application.

Complete the Transcript Request Process (3 weeks before first deadline).

Complete 3 Surveys in Naviance:

- Student Self-Description
- Parent Brag Sheet
- Self-Reported Activity Record

Complete the FERPA Waiver to Link your Common Application to Naviance.

Teacher Recommendations:

- Speak with the teacher in person
- Add teacher on Naviance

Submit standardized test scores through ACT and/or College Board and send them directly to the college/university. NM does not send standardized test scores.



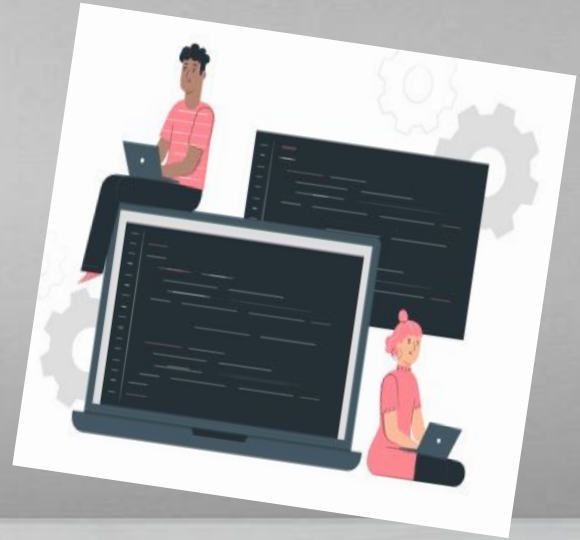
Common Application

- Over 900 colleges and universities, both private and public, accept this application
- New members joining each year
- One application can be sent to multiple schools
- File online at www.commonapp.org
- Common Application must be linked to Naviance



Naviance

New Milford uses eDocs through Naviance for our electronic submission of official transcripts, Secondary School Reports, School Profile, and letters of recommendation.



Completing the FERPA

How to Link the Common Application & Naviance

In order to link Common Application with Naviance a FERPA Waiver needs to be signed.

4-steps need to be completed before any documents can be sent by counselors or teachers to any college:

1. Start the "Education" section of the Common Application by listing NM as your high school
2. Add at least one college in the Common Application
3. Complete the FERPA waiver within the Common Application
4. Then in your Naviance account under ">Colleges" ">Colleges I am Applying To"> on the right side of the pink bar across the top click on "match account" and follow the steps



Self-Reporting Academic Record



Students might be asked by some colleges to self-report their academic record

Ex. Rutgers, University of Florida, University of Pittsburgh, and the University of California System



Essay Writing Tips

The purpose of a personal statement is to provide a sample of your writing, how well you can present your topic, provide a window into who you are and to help you stand out.

You want to use this opportunity to share something that cannot necessarily be found elsewhere in your application or that you want to expand on more.

For supplemental essays, it is extremely important that you are answering the question that is being asked.

Proofread the essay for syntax, spelling, and grammar.

Don't forget to stay within the word count!



Transcript Request Process

1. Complete Transcript Request Form
2. Set up an appointment with your counselor



Teacher Letter of Recommendation

- Ask teachers in person and give enough notice to write letters
- DO NOT assign a teacher through the Common Application since we use Naviance for teacher recommendations
- Request your teachers through Naviance under the “Colleges I’m Applying To” tab
- Make sure you are submitting the correct number of recommendations that each college requests

Please Note: outside recommenders need to be requested through Common App

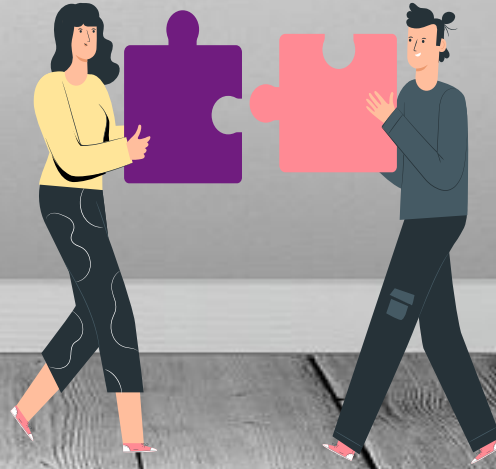


Counselor Responsibilities

Each counselor will write a letter of recommendation for each student.

The counselors will make sure the transcripts are sent out. Along with the transcripts, a school report and the school profile will be sent.

However, the counselors cannot do any of this without communication from the students.



Final Reminders

NM CEEB Code:
310997

All materials must be turned into your
School Counselor at least THREE weeks
before your first due date.

Mid-Year grades will
automatically be sent out.

If your school requests Q1 grades,
please provide your counselor with a
stamped, addressed envelope to that
school(s).

Please update college outcomes in
your Naviance account.



Don't Panic

Allow a few weeks after sending materials for information to be received and updated at the college.



Any Questions?

