

SENIOR SEMINAR

Class of 2023

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Pre-Test



<https://forms.office.com/r/gBg61imV84>

Post-secondary options

- Apprenticeships and Job Training – Joining the workforce
- Military
- Specialty School
- 2-Year with option to transfer to a four-year institution and/or Technical College
- 4-Year College/University

Lesson Overview

- College admissions factors
- Components to Admission
- Naviance overview
 - College Visits/Fairs
 - Scholarships and financial aid
 - Building a college list
 - College application process

College Fairs and College Info Sessions

Probe College Fairs - [Probe College Tour | Georgia](https://www.gaprobe.org)
([gaprobe.org](https://www.gaprobe.org))

Check website for updated information

Check Naviance frequently for upcoming college visits

FACTORS FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION

Extracurricular
Activities

Essays

Letters of
Recommendation

Demonstrated
Interest



RIGOR OF CLASSES

GRADES & GPA

TEST SCORES

BUILDING A COLLEGE LIST

“Reach schools”

Your academic credentials fall below the school’s range for the freshman class.

“Match schools”

Your academic credentials fall within or perhaps slightly exceed the school’s range for the freshman class.

“Safety schools”

You will almost definitely get into because your academic credentials are much better than the typical range for their freshman class.

REACH SCHOOLS

Apply to 1 or 2

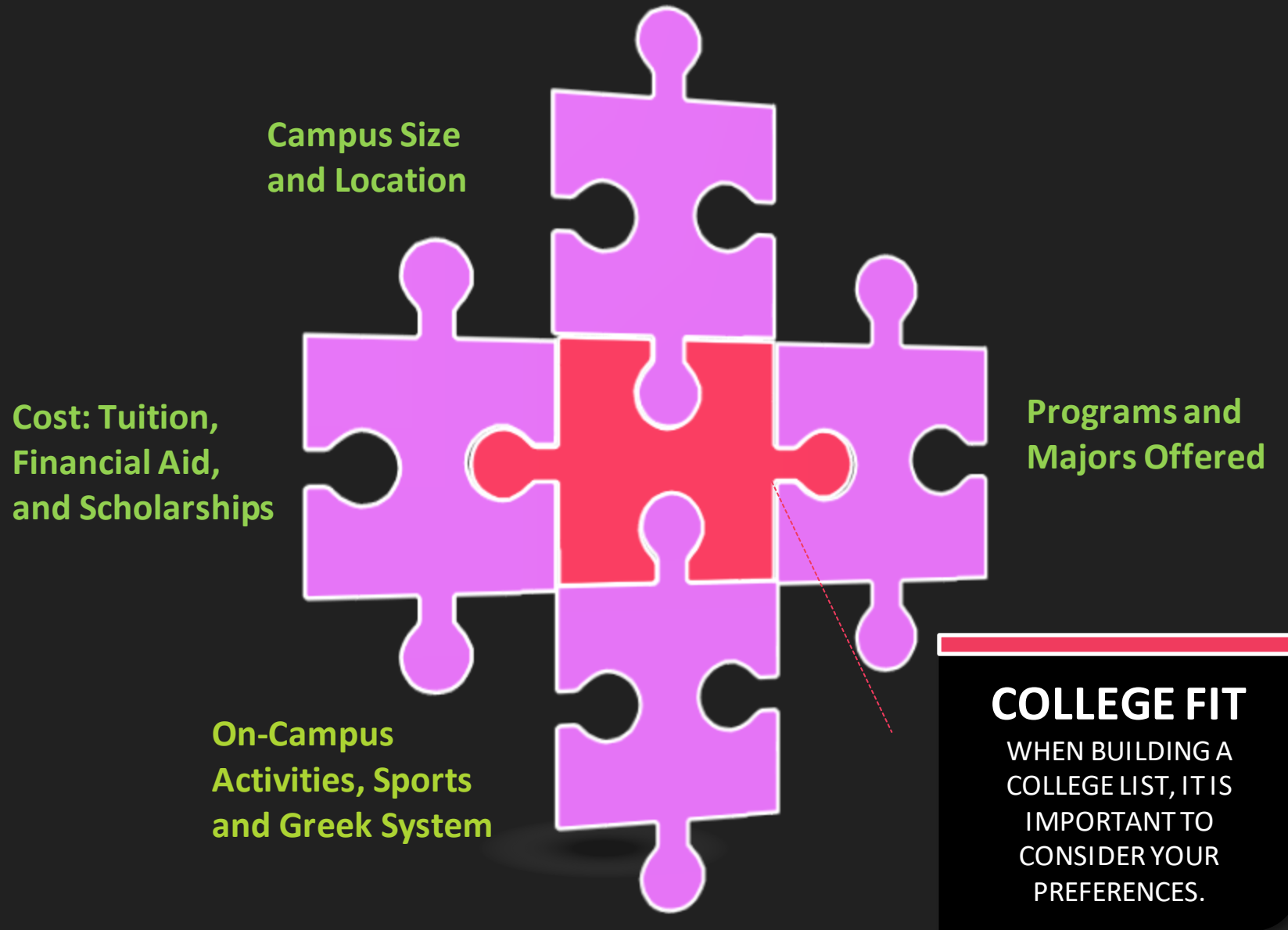
MATCH SCHOOLS

Apply to 2 or 3

SAFETY SCHOOLS

Apply to at least 1

SELECTING COLLEGES



DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?

Regular Decision

DEFINITION:

Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Rolling Admission

DEFINITION:

Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Action (EA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Decision (ED)

DEFINITION:

Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll and withdraw all other applications. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.

COMMITMENT:

BINDING

Restrictive Early Action (REA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Students are not restricted from applying to other institutions and have until May 1 to consider their options and confirm enrollment.

Students are responsible for determining and following restrictions.

Points to Consider

- ▶ Check Admissions Requirements (GPA, rigor of classes, Test scores)
- ▶ College Fit
- ▶ Cost of Attendance
- ▶ Most colleges only consider academic classes when calculating GPA
- ▶ Colleges want students who show an interest in their school
- ▶ Weighted and unweighted GPAs will be reported on the transcript
- ▶ All administrations of SAT Test will be offered at Campbell

Grade Point Average

Overall GPA (on transcript)

- ▶ Not used by most colleges
- ▶ May be used for most scholarship applications

HOPE GPA (NOT on transcript)

- ▶ Must view at www.gafutures.org
- ▶ Specific courses, different weighting system

Academic GPA (NOT on transcript)

- ▶ Most colleges consider only academic/core GPA for admissions
BUT each college:
 - decides how they calculate GPA for admissions
 - may weight courses differently
 - decides which courses to include
- ▶ Students should check with the admissions office how GPA is Calculated

Class Rank is no longer on transcript

SAT Test Update

The SAT logo, consisting of the letters "SAT" in a serif font with a registered trademark symbol, enclosed in a white rectangular box.

- ▶ If you can't find a nearby test center with availability on your preferred test date, be sure to check other dates.
- ▶ Some colleges are going test optional. You should check the college's website for the most updated information on their application requirements. Send colleges your scores through www.collegeboard.org CHS CEEB CODE: 112745
- ▶ Keep up to date on COVID related updates:
<https://pages.collegeboard.org/sat-covid-19-updates>
 - ▶ *SAT Subject Tests* are specific to the college
 - ▶ *Writing test* – specific to the college whether required

Receive free/reduced lunch? You are eligible for a fee waiver.

ACT Test Update

- Big changes happened to ACT in fall 2020.
 - On September 2020, ACT started issuing superscored reports to colleges.
 - The ACT also rolled out three more new testing opportunities computer-based testing
 - section retesting (the ability to retake individual testing sections)
 - remote testing
- New Test dates were added in September + October including Sunday test dates.
- Send scores to colleges through ACT.org **CHS CEEB CODE: 112745**

Other Test Options

- **Accuplacer** – Placement exam for two year & technical colleges
 - Find a test center: <https://studentportal.accuplacer.org/#/studentsitesearch>
- **ASVAB** - a multiple choice test used to determine qualification for enlistment in the United States Armed Forces.
 - Identifies skills & abilities
 - Provides career exploration information
 - Links achievement with interest
 - Assists planning work-related courses
 - Helps identify potential career path
 - Does not obligate students to military!
 - It is free!

Activities & Essays

Activities

- Include grades 9-12. Note if you have been involved since before high school
- Quality vs quantity
- Highlight key areas where you have made a difference or were very involved
- What was your role? How did you contribute? What did you learn from participating (about yourself or others)?
- Include community involvement and employment
- Don't forget activities outside of school

Essays

- ▶ Start early!
- ▶ Purpose: Lets them hear your voice. **Be yourself!**
- ▶ Give specific examples to develop your idea
- ▶ Make it personal; highlight areas not in your application
- ▶ Be original; keep your focus narrow and personal
- ▶ Proof read again...and again...and maybe again!
- ▶ Utilize English teachers or others for feedback

Counselor Recommendations/ Secondary School Reports

Does the college require a recommendation and/or school report?

A school report often includes a counselor recommendation letter

Request a minimum of 2 school weeks before deadline. Watch your deadlines!

Complete Counselor Rec Letter Survey in Naviance (under My Surveys) thoughtfully and thoroughly. Email your counselor after submission informing them of upcoming due dates and where you are applying to.

If form needs to be mailed, print any secondary school form, school report, or counselor recommendation form to be completed. *Fill out your part!*

Counselor will complete rec online or mail to the college. Most rec's will be submitted via Naviance.

Thank your counselor for taking the time to write a letter on your behalf. 😊

Transcripts

There is a 2 step process to request your official transcript needed for college admissions & scholarships*.

Step 1. In Naviance, add the college into your applying to list. Be sure to select the correct method in how you are applying (via institution, Common App, etc.).

Step 2. Pay (2 options to pay)

1. Pay cash (**only**) to Ms. Askew located in the Counseling Office between 8am-2:30pm.

2. Log onto [MyPaymentsPlus](#). Select events & activities, then select transcripts. Each transcript is \$2.

Fill out form associated with transcript request. If you are ordering more than one transcript at a time, you will need to repeat the process for the number of transcripts you are ordering.

Paying for College & Financial Aid

HOPE and Zell Scholarship or Grant

- Apply by filling out the FAFSA as early as October 1st of senior year
- Scholarships
 - College you're applying to (merit based) - watch for early deadlines for scholarships typically before admission deadlines
 - Local interest groups, employers, organizations
 - Online resources/search engines – Collegeboard.org, fastweb.com, etc.
 - Check the Scholarship Resources in Naviance on the Colleges Homepage
- ▶ Family savings
- ▶ Work-study programs
- ▶ Loans – must be repaid
- ❑ Loans – must be repaid
- ❑ Grants & scholarships
 - ❑ Do not have to be repaid
 - ❑ Based on specific requirements

HOPE Scholarship Program

Must apply by completing FAFSA

Check your HOPE GPA at www.gafutures.org

HOPE Scholarship

- 3.0 HOPE GPA
- 4 rigor courses
- Portion of tuition
- Recipients must have 3.0 GPA at checkpoints to maintain scholarship
- If lost, can be regained once

Zell Miller Scholarship

- 3.7 HOPE GPA
- 1200 (R & M) SAT or 26 ACT in Recipient must have a 3.3 GPA at checkpoints to maintain scholarship.
- If lost cannot be regained at Zell level

If you don't graduate with a 3.0 HOPE GPA, you can earn the HOPE Scholarship with a 3.0 College GPA after 30 credit hours.

"All HOPE is not lost" 😊

Hope Grant



HOPE Grant: available at TECHNICAL COLLEGES

No High School GPA requirement to be eligible

Covers a portion of tuition, which is similar to HOPE Scholarship

Must maintain at least a 2.0 College GPA to keep

Need to be enrolled in a certificate or diploma program



Zell Miller Grant:

Same criteria as above, but if you maintain a 3.5 GPA – you will receive 100% tuition



HOPE Career Grant:

Additional funds available to students enrolled in high demand certificate or diploma programs

Financial Aid Information Session



October 6 at
6:00p.m.

FAFSA, HOPE, types of aid, etc.

Complete the FAFSA
after October 1st

**All seniors should complete the
FAFSA, regardless of family income.**



NAVIANCE

Naviance is a **delivery system** and college/career search engine, but it also how we communicate with YOU and your parents, throughout the year.

What is Naviance?

Seniors only:

- ▶ Adding colleges that you are applying to
- ▶ If applying Common App, you must “match” your Common App and Naviance accounts
- ▶ Counselor Rec Letter Survey
- ▶ Request teacher recs
- ▶ Access all scholarships
- ▶ Register for College Visits (Jrs too)

All students:

- ▶ Calendar of colleges visiting CHS
- ▶ College and Career Planning/exploration
- ▶ Research colleges
- ▶ Resume building
- ▶ Communicating with your Counselor
- ▶ Scholarship searches
- ▶ Interest inventories
- ▶ Finding your strengths
- ▶ Learning Styles Inventory

Logging into Naviance

- If you're on a CCSD computer, then you will be automatically logged into Naviance.
- You can access Naviance from the CCSD homepage, Cambell's website, as well as your school counseling department's website.
- To log into Naviance from home, you will use the following:

User Name:	Password:
Microsoft 365 User Name <u>first.last@</u> <u>students.cobbk12.or</u> <u>g</u>	Microsoft 365 Password

Naviance Student Homepage

The screenshot shows the Naviance Student Homepage. At the top left is the Naviance logo with the tagline "BY POWERSCHOOL". The navigation menu includes "Home", "Self-Discovery", "Careers", "Colleges", and "Planner". On the right side of the navigation bar, there are icons for a heart, "Demo", a dropdown arrow, a plus sign, an envelope, a profile icon labeled "DEB", and "About Me". A "CLOSE DEMO" button is located in the top right corner.

The main header area features a personalized welcome message: "Welcome, Demo Ellison-Brown!". Below this is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search for Colleges" and a dropdown arrow, followed by a search input field with the placeholder "Type a college name" and a "SEARCH" button.

The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has a sub-header "Welcome, Seniors!" and a language selector set to "English" with a "Go" button. The main text in this column reads "Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year!". Below this text is a horizontal scrollbar and a "Read more" button.

The right column has a sub-header "My Favorites" and lists three items:

- COLLEGES: I'm thinking about
- COLLEGES: I'm applying to
- CAREERS AND CLUSTERS: I'm thinking about

At the bottom right of the page, there is a "Show Me How" button with a laptop icon.

The browser address bar at the bottom shows the URL: <https://student.naviance.com/colleges/applying-to>

Enter Your Email Address - REQUIRED

We need your email address so we can communicate important information with you. Please get in the habit of checking email frequently.

1. Click on the “About Me” link at the top.
2. Click on “My Account.”
3. Click on the Pencil Icon in the “Contact Information Box.”
4. Enter your email address.
5. Click “Save.”

Let's Recap Step-by-Step Process

1. Select what colleges you're applying to
2. Determine application types: Common App, Coalition, Direct to Institution
3. Submit your college applications – your “package”
4. Send your test scores via Collegeboard/ACT
5. Use Naviance – our “delivery” system
6. Invite teacher recommenders
7. Request initial transcripts
8. Track your package

Add College to the “Colleges I’m Applying to”

- This is the section where students will spend most of their time.
- You can request letters of recommendation and transcripts within this section.

The screenshot shows the 'Colleges I'm applying to' section of a student portal. At the top, there is a search bar with the text 'Search for colleges'. Below this, a green notification banner states: '✓ Your Common App account has been matched. Your FERPA status is not waived. You're ready to apply to colleges using Common App.' Underneath the notification, there are three menu items: 'Manage Transcripts', 'Application Milestones', and 'Compare Me'. A yellow sticky note with a red plus sign is placed over the 'Compare Me' item. At the bottom of the section, there is a legend: '* = extended profile available' and two buttons: '+ REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS' and 'REMOVE'.

 Cancel

Add New College Application

Which college are you applying to?

Georgia State University



Colleges already in your application list would be unavailable for selection.

App type

Early Action



I'll submit my application

Via Common App



I've submitted my application

Add Application

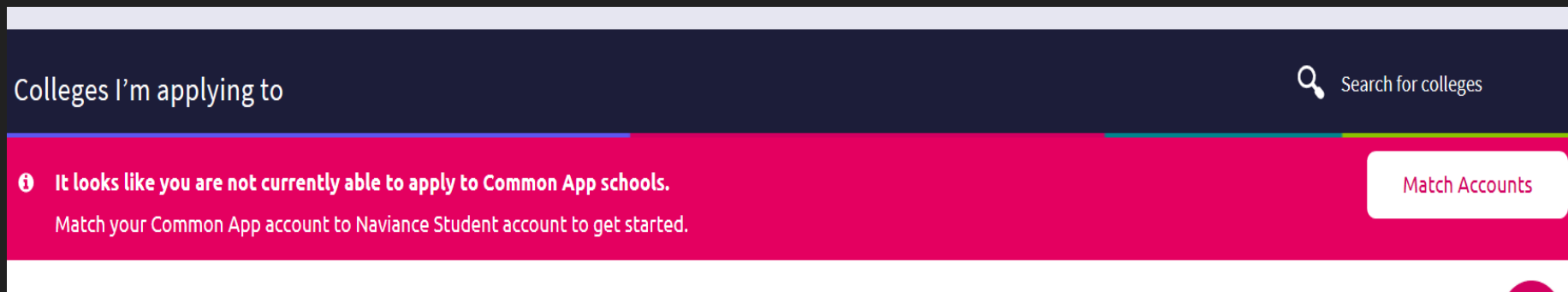
Important to tell us how you are applying!

“Colleges I’m Applying to” Dashboard

	College	Type	Deadline	Expected Difficulty*	Transcripts	Office materials	Submission Type 	Application		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emory University	ED	Early Decision November 1	N/A		Pending		Unknown 	 EDIT	MORE 
<input type="checkbox"/>	Georgia State University	EA	Early Action November 15	N/A		Pending		Unknown 	 EDIT	MORE 
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kennesaw State University	EA	Early Action October 26	N/A		Pending		Unknown 	 EDIT	MORE 

Common App Matching

- For Common App schools, students are required to match their Common App and Naviance Student accounts.



- In order to match the Common App account, students must first complete the following steps in their Common App account:
 - Complete the Education section of your Common Application
 - Add at least one college to My Colleges tab
 - Sign the FERPA Release Authorization

[Click to watch video on common app matching.](#)



Non-Common App Schools

- Some colleges and universities have opted not to accept the Common Application.
- Instead, they have created their own individual applications that, in most cases, are web-based and can be found via the school's undergraduate admissions website.
- Just because a school does not accept the Common App does not mean that they do not accept the transmission of important documents, like letters of recommendation and academic transcripts, through Naviance.
- When a non-Common App school allows us to submit documents through Naviance, it is called **Direct to Institution**. A Direct to Institution school is designated by this symbol.



The Coalition for College

- When a student applies via the **Coalition**, they should select **that they are applying “Directly to the Institution”** when adding a college to their **“Colleges I’m Applying To”** list in **Family Connection**. Messaging on this page will help students know to check this box.

Which college are you applying to?

Clemson University ✕

Colleges already in your application list would be unavailable for selection.

App type

Regular Decision ▼

I'll submit my application ▼

Direct to the institution

I've submitted my application

[Add Application](#)

Adding Teacher Recommendation Requests on Naviance

Access from "My Favorites" > Colleges I'm Applying to

Colleges I'm applying to

Search for colleges

✓ Your Common App account has been matched.

Your FERPA status is not waived. You're ready to apply to colleges using Common App.

Manage Transcripts

Application Milestones

Compare Me



* = extended profile available

+ REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS REMOVE

College that I'm attending:

N/A



Update

Letters of recommendation

Some colleges require letters of recommendation to be submitted with your application. Please visit the [letters of recommendation section](#), accessible from the main colleges page, for more information

TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- ALWAYS ASK BEFORE YOU ENTER THAT EMAIL ADDRESS!
ALWAYS ALWAYS ALWAYS WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO SEE IT!
- How many should you get? Which ones go where?
- Which teacher(s) to ask?
- Deadlines and consideration of time and effort
- What to provide for non-online recommendations
- Gagnier, Mr. Lynch, Dr. Wannamaker, Mx Yoder, etc. = "Other Recommenders"
- Thanking your teachers

Adding Teacher Recommendation Requests on Naviance

1. Who would you like to write this recommendation?*

Select A Teacher ▼

2. Select which colleges this request is for:*

Choose **specific** colleges from your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list

	Colleges ^	Due ^
<input type="checkbox"/>	Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) -- required / 1 allowed / 0 requested	Jan 01 2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kennesaw State University -- required / -- allowed / 0 requested	Mar 01 2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	University of Georgia -- required / -- allowed / 0 requested	Jan 01 2018

All current and future colleges I add to my *Colleges I'm Applying To* list ⓘ

Tracking Teacher Recommendations

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
All Applications ⓘ	See applications	Christopher Williams	Cancelled	✕
Mercer University 1 required/ 2 allowed/ 1 requested		Christopher Williams	Requested	✕
University of Georgia -- required/ -- allowed/ 1 requested	Jan 01 2021	Christopher Williams	Requested	✕

[Add Request](#)

Planner

DEB About Me

About Me Home

Account

My Account

You are logged in as **Demo Ellison-Brown** at Campbell High School

Documents and Notes

- Resume
- Goals
- Portfolio
- Journal
- Test Scores
- Documents Shared with Me

Surveys

- Surveys from Your School
- Game Plan Survey
- Graduation Survey

ent.naviance.com/about-me/surveys

Home Self-Discovery Careers Colleges Planner

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My Surveys

Filter by

All progress

Counselor Rec Letter Survey	Graduation Survey
NOT STARTED	NOT STARTED

Completing the Counselor Survey

College Visits

- Check Naviance frequently for upcoming college visits.
- You must sign up through your Naviance account at least 24 hours in advance. The College Visit link is located at the bottom left of the Colleges homepage.
- You will receive an email the day before your visit as confirmation.
- You will receive a link to the virtual college visit.

College Visits		Search for colleges	
AUGUST Tue 21 12:30PM	Sewanee: The University of the South 📍 Counseling suite	REGISTER BY AUG 20 2018	Register Now View Details
AUGUST Thu 23 09:00AM	Southern Methodist University 📍 Counseling suite	REGISTER BY AUG 22 2018	Register Now View Details
AUGUST Thu 23 10:00AM	Georgia Institute of Technology 📍 Information center - Lecture hall 0/120 seats are taken.	REGISTER BY AUG 22 2018	Register Now View Details
AUGUST Thu 23 02:30PM	Mercer University 📍 Counseling suite	REGISTER BY AUG 22 2018	Register Now View Details

Maintaining a Healthy Mental Balance

Preparing for college is important, but so is preserving mental health.

- Consider the workload in the level and rigor of classes
- Pursue your intellectual interests
- Get involved in extra-curricular activities
- Make time for community service or other interests
- Participate in activities to promote your overall health by eating healthy and exercising

Mental wellness is as important to your overall well being as physical health, social and emotional connectedness, and intellectual accomplishment.

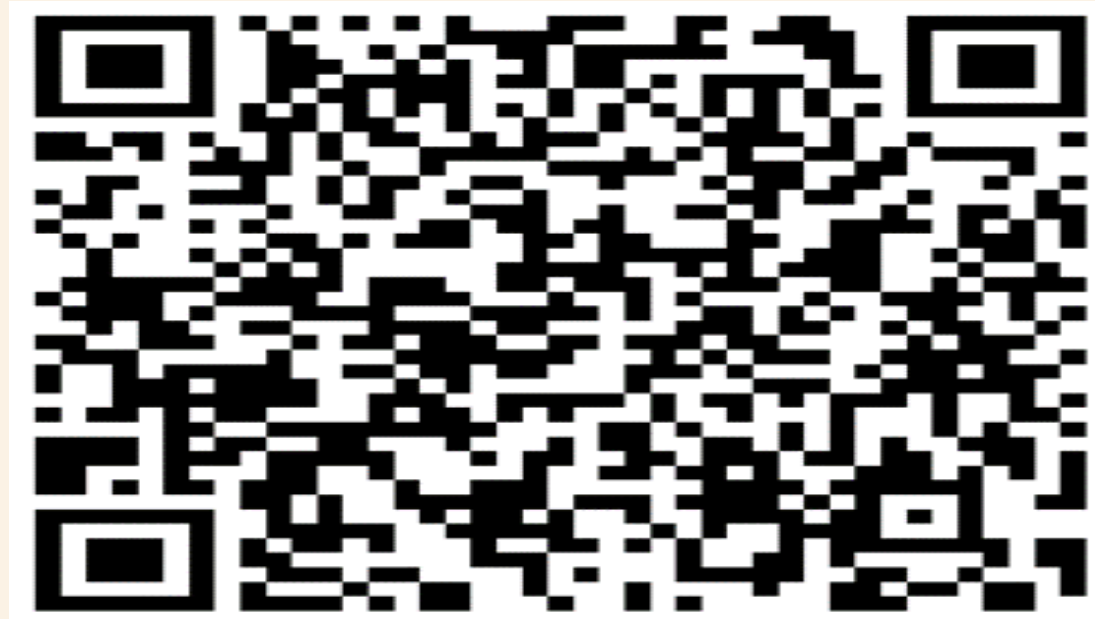
Senior Year

- It's Your Time To Celebrate!
- Cap and Gowns, Class of 2023 Gear, Graduation announcements, Senior gifts, Yard sign
- **Herffatlanta.com**

HAVE A GREAT SENIOR YEAR!

QUESTIONS?

Post-Test



<https://forms.office.com/r/Ybu7ymfhTS>