

SENIOR NEWSLETTER

FRANKLIN TOWNE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL



CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS!

Welcome to senior year! You have worked very hard over the years to make it to this point. This year will be filled with a great deal of excitement and challenges. Taking your first steps toward your future can be scary. Luckily, your counselors are here to help you along every step of the way. In this newsletter you will find some information that will be helpful as you navigate through your future plans. Please visit or email your Counselor with any additional questions!



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Reminders

- Stay focused on your academics
- Talk with your Guidance Counselor
- Take another SAT or ACT if needed
- Request Letters of Recommendation
- Attend college & career fairs/presentations
- Visit colleges and/or career/technical school
- Review application process & admission requirements
- Be aware of application deadlines!
- Fill out FAFSA starting 10/1
- Update Naviance
- Keep track of all usernames & passwords
- May 1- final decision and deposit due
- Financially plan for Senior dues/Senior trip/ Prom/Application Fees/ Deposits

HOW DO I???

SUBMIT AN APPLICATION:

Online Application

1. Most schools will require an online application. Go directly to the school's website, review the application requirements and complete the application

Common Application

1. Create a Common App account commonapp.org
 2. Review the application and determine the requirements (Different schools may have diverse application requirements)
 3. Complete the application & the FERPA form
 4. Indicate the schools in which you will be sending the application to and submit
- After the application is submitted:

1. Sign into Naviance and request transcripts and select if you applied via the Common Application or directly to the school

START THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS:

1. FAFSA opens up on October 1 - be sure to add the schools you are applying to or thinking about applying to on the app. Please visit fafsa.ed.gov
2. PHEAA is the PA State Grant Program. There is a link to connect your information from FAFSA to PHEAA on the FAFSA confirmation page. You can also visit pheaa.org and select the State Grant Program
3. Please visit the Guidance page on the FTCHS website for information on how to research scholarships

SCHEDULE A COLLEGE VISIT:

Prospective students can set up a campus visit by calling the admissions office or by scheduling an appointment via the college's website

REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS:

1. After you complete an application, you must log into your Naviance account.
2. Under the Colleges tab, select "Colleges I'm Thinking About"
3. Find the College that you are looking for, select the box to the left of the school's name and then select "Move to Application List"
4. Select how you are applying (Early Action, Early Decision, Regular Decision, etc.), Select "I have submitted my application", then select "Request and Finish"
5. Your counselor will receive a notification that you have requested your transcripts. They will only honor your request if ALL materials have been submitted (ex. LOR, complete application) Please allow approximately 2 weeks for this process to be complete

RECEIVE/SEND A FEE WAIVER:

1. Please see your counselor to determine if you qualify for a fee waiver. At this, a fee waiver form will be filled out by the student and counselor
2. Fee waivers are electronically sent through Naviance with all other documents

SEND SAT OR ACT SCORES:

In order to send your OFFICIAL SCORES to the school of your choice, students must log into their collegeboard.org (SAT) or actstudent.org (ACT) account. Both websites have specific instructions on how to send your scores. Please be advised that when you register for these tests, you can send scores to up to 4 schools for free!



Students, please make sure you are frequently checking your email and our website for information on: Requesting letters of recommendation, STAR Scheduling presentations, College/career/ military information sessions & fairs, Instant Decisions Days, help with NCAA Clearinghouse/Eligibility Center & Other helpful tips and insight that will help you in the planning process !