# The College Planning & Application Process

# MAYFIELD HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2020

# Today's Agenda

- Introduction of 12th Grade Counselor
  Schoology
- 11th & 12th Grade Planning
- College Entrance Exams
- Naviance
- Application Process
- Letters of Recommendation
- College Visits
- Financial Aid

## 12th Grade Counselors and Department Support

- Daisha Levy 12th Grade/College and Career Non-Excel TECC
- Joe Hayes 11th and 12th Grade CBI/Excel TECC
- Jennifer Hyland AEP Gifted Specialist & Coordinator
- Laura Kraft Counseling Secretary



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# Looking back at 11<sup>th</sup> grade

- Met with juniors to explain Naviance
- Common App colleges
- Interest Inventories for both college & career
- College search
- Add colleges of potential interest to Naviance
- Explain the ACT/SAT/SAT Subject tests
- Review IEP/504 accommodations request
- Alert to college fairs

# What we're doing 12th grade

- Government Classes & Counselors
- College & Military representatives who visit Mayfield
- College campus visits
- College material in counseling office
- Admission deadlines
  - Early Decision binding (Nov)
  - Early Action eager/excited (Nov/Dec)
  - Regular Decision (Jan-April)
- What to expect during senior year

## **College Entrance Exams**

#### Scholastic Aptitude Tests (SAT & SAT Subject Tests)

Given at Mayfield High School Saturday---November 2, 2019 Registration Deadline - October 3rd

#### Saturday---October 5th & December 7th

Please see Mrs. Bourdakos or visit http://collegeboard.org

## **College Entrance Exams**

**American College Test (ACT)** 

Given at Mayfield High School Saturday---September 14, 2019 Registration Deadline - August 16th \*\*Please add your colleges NOW = FREE reporting\*\* Will have to pay later.

Saturday---October 26th and December 14th Please see Mrs. Bobinski or visit http://www.actstudent.org

## **Other Entrance Exams**

- Two-Year Colleges
- COMPASS or ACCUPLACER Test
- Free admission test
- Student does not need to take ACT or SAT for two year schools or the military
- ASVAB Military test

# What is Naviance?

- Web-based resource hub specific to Mayfield High School that supports student career and college planning
- Used by the Mayfield staff to communicate with students, parents, and colleges
- Processes \*\*ALL\*\* college application materials



# Please process **\*\*ALL\*\*** college

application materials through Naviance

# PLEASE KNOW YOUR LOGIN INFORMATION FOR NAVIANCE & USE THE WEBSITE AND APP

# **The Application Process**

### • Begin with Naviance

"Colleges I'm interested in" to "Colleges I'm applying to"

### • What type of application is required?

- Common Application or Online Application via individual school site
- If there is a choice between Common App and the school's application, you **\*\*MUST\*\*** use Common App.

## Common App, WHAT?!?

If there is a choice between Common App and the college's application, you **\*\*MUST\*\*** use Common App.

**ONLY**, use the college's application if they are **NOT** associated with the Common App.

# **The Application Process**

#### **Using Common App**

\*Reminder: If you are applying to a Common App school, you MUST use the Common App!!

- Go to <u>www.commonapp.org</u>
- Set up your personal account/login.
- Complete a profile, add colleges, complete the application, upload essay, etc.
- Check to see if your colleges require supplements and/or fees and complete those.
- PROOFREAD all items before you submit.
- Be aware that once you hit 'submit' you will not be able to make changes to your application.

#### <u>Using the Online Application on</u> <u>the College Website</u>

- To apply online go to that particular college's website and follow directions to apply.
  - Complete the application, upload essay, etc.
  - Check for and pay fees.
  - PROOFREAD all items before you submit.

<u>Complete & send each</u> <u>application at least 2 weeks</u> <u>before any deadline.</u>

# **Letters of Recommendation**

#### Mayfield teachers LOR

Please ask teachers at least one month in advance from deadline.

Please advise teachers to upload their letters to Naviance. We will not upload for them.

#### Non-Mayfield LORs

Please have LOR dropped off to counseling dept or emailed to your counselor to upload in Naviance.

#### Counselor LORs

\*As needed\* Please review each college application & requirements. Please allow at least two weeks notice before deadlines.

## **College Campus Visitations**

 Two days of excused absences are allowed per student handbook

#### PROCEDURE

- Note from parent giving date and name of college/s to be visited given to Mrs. Spiccia at least 24 hours in advance
- Student has teachers sign form from Mrs. Spiccia and then returns form to her at the end of the day

# **Admissions Representatives**

- Representatives from colleges visit Mayfield to meet with interested students
- List of representatives on Naviance, sent to students in their MHS emails, and also on the morning announcements.
- You **MUST** register for a college rep visit through Naviance.
- Forget to register? Get a pass from your teacher in order to attend otherwise you will be marked absent/class cut.

# **Admissions Representatives, Really?!?**

Please listen to morning announcements to hear

#### which college reps each day!

# THEY ARE THE ONES REVIEWING YOUR APPLICATIONS! MEET THEM!

### INTERESTED IN CAMPUS VISIT DAYS?

PROGRAMS OF STUDY? THEY HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED!

## **College Fairs**

#### **Greater Cleveland West Suburban College Fair**

October 7, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Baldwin Wallace University, Lou Higgins Center

#### Lake County Fall College Fair

September 29, 2019 Noon - 1:30 p.m. Lakeland Community College, Athletic Fitness Center

#### **NEO Suburban College Fair**

October 17, 2019 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. John Carroll University, Dolan Center

#### **HBCU College Fair**

November 23, 2019 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m Warrensville Heights High School

#### **NACAC National College Fair**

February 8, 2020 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Huntington Convention Center, Cleveland

# **After You Apply**

### • Logging in: Naviance

- Colleges I'm Applying To → "Have you applied?" → Find College → "I Have Submitted My Application"
- Check "Submission Type."
- Match your Naviance account to your CommonApp.
- Request transcript through Naviance
  - Colleges I'm Applying To → Request Transcripts/Manage Transcripts → "What type of transcript are you requesting?"→ Initial
- Mid-Year Reports (January)
- Final Transcripts (June)
- Start Financial Aid/Scholarships on October 1st

# **Financial Aid**

- Electronically complete and send the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) beginning Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>
- **Doug Boes- College Now--Fridays** Make appointment by calling Mrs. Kraft at 440-995-6820 **OR** sign up on the clipboard by Mrs. Kraft's desk
- Financial Aid Workshop for Senior Parents, Tues. Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in cafeteria
- Local Scholarship information will be provided October/November.

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