

**Welcome to
Lake Central High School's
College-Bound Junior
Parent Meeting**

March 14, 2018



Lake Central High School Guidance Staff

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 - Beth Toth, Guidance Secretary

Explore Colleges / Universities

College Fairs

- **NACAC:** National Fairs in Spring and Fall
- **Local:** Purdue Calumet, Merrillville HS, Crown Point HS, Valparaiso University

College Visits

- Campus Visit Checklist
- Visit when in session
- Juniors: 1 visit
- Seniors 2 visits – 1 per semester
- Bring back documentation for the Attendance Office

Explore Colleges / Universities

College Rep Visits to Lake Central High School

- ▶ By listing schools you are interested in, you will be notified when that university representative will be visiting LCHS through your school email.
- ▶ Visits are also announced on the Daily Announcements and via the **@LCHS_Guidance** Twitter account.

College Application Process

Three ways to apply:

1. **Directly to the college**
2. **Common App**
3. **Coalition App**

Admission Options

- *Early decision vs early action
- *Regular, rolling, open

Upon submission of application, many colleges/universities will create an student account/portal for the applicant to receive information through.

Examples:

- Missing documents
- Timetable
- Acceptance, Denial, Waitlisting

College Application Process

- ▶ Average application fees range from \$30–\$80
(Students on free/reduced lunch may qualify for a waiver and should see their counselor)
- ▶ How many should I apply to?
- ▶ Request transcripts through Naviance
(colleges/universities may receive this right away but can 6–8 weeks to upload to student portal)
- ▶ ACT or SAT scores – **REQUEST DIRECT FROM:**
[ACT.org/collegeboard.com](https://act.org/collegeboard.com)

College Application Process

▶ DUAL CREDIT

- ▶ <http://lake-central.lcsc.us/student-services/guidance/>
- ▶ Ivy Tech, Purdue Northwest, IUN, Vincennes
- ▶ Request directly from college where credit was earned

SAT vs ACT

- ▶ **LC – SAT School** : Juniors test April 10th at LC FREE
- ▶ **Math:**
- ▶ SAT: Some parts no calculator
- ▶ ACT: More questions geometry and trig
- ▶ ACT: No formulas given
- ▶ **Reading/English:**
- ▶ SAT: Gives students more information
- ▶ SAT: Evidence Support Questions
- ▶ ACT: Grammar/punctuation/sentence structure
- ▶ Neither penalize for guessing
- ▶ **Study Assistance:**
- ▶ Khan Academy links PSAT scores
- ▶ For a fee SAT/ACT prep courses

The Common Application (Common App)

- ▶ One application used by over 500 colleges and universities – for example: Purdue West Lafayette, Notre Dame, University of Chicago, University of Michigan.
- ▶ Butler, Indiana University – Bloomington and Valparaiso University use both the Common App and/or their own online application

The Common Application

▶ www.commonapp.org

▶ **It includes:**

- 5 lengthy student information sections – 2 to 3 hours to complete
- Multiple essays specific to schools to which the student is applying
- Teacher recommendations
- Counselor reports/evaluations

THE COMMON
APPLICATION

Common Application

- ▶ **DO NOT** use your school email on any applications
- ▶ Exactly the same email/name listed on the Common Application is used to match with Naviance.
 - Matching allows all the documents: transcripts, application, counselor secondary school report, recommendations, etc, to be “bundled” before sending.

Request Teacher Recommendations

- ▶ Complete the Resume on Naviance
- ▶ Personally ask teacher for letter of recommendation before requesting from Naviance
- ▶ Give 2 weeks notice for letter writing
- ▶ With Naviance, if a school only required **ONE** letter of recommendation, the first one submitted by the teacher is the one that is sent to that university.
- ▶ Teachers not required to write them
- ▶ Reading Letter of Rec policy

Request Teacher Recommendations

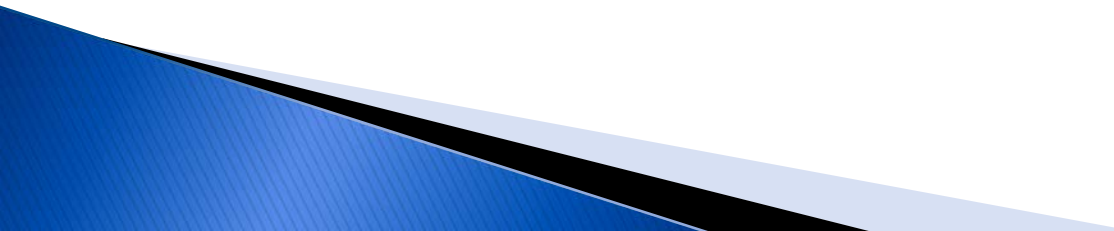
- ▶ If the recommendation is for a college that does not accept electronic submissions or a scholarship that requires a mailed letter of recommendation, please provide the recommender with a self addressed stamped envelope.



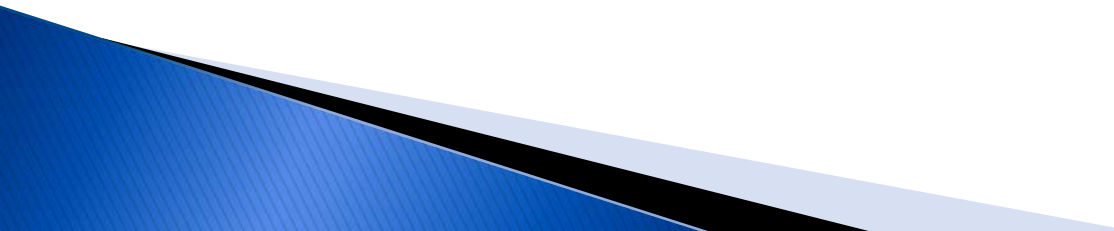
Naviance

- ▶ Logging in....**About Me:** Career interest profiler..strengths explorer,..Do what you Are..Learning Style Inventory..Resume...**Colleges:** Supermatch...scattegrams... Colleges I'm thinking about..Colleges I'm Applying to...Letters of Recommendation...Scholarships....

When to Apply

- ▶ Application Deadlines – Vary
 - ▶ Merit based Scholarship deadlines: Nov. 1
 - ▶ Purdue – West Lafayette,
 - ▶ Indiana – Bloomington , Butler
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Important Information!!!

- ▶ Fall Break: Oct. 25–28, 2018
 - ▶ **October 17th** - Deadline for submitting documents for those wishing to be considered for the November deadlines.
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BLOG: www.lcguidance.blogspot.com

- ▶ Scholarships
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NCAA Eligibility Center

NAIA.org

Financial Aid Nights

