

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

March 19, 2019



Lake Central High School Guidance Staff

▶ Counselors

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- Brynn Denton (Carli–Ew)
- Kristina Ochman (Ex–Hen)
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- Melissa St. Clair (Laci–Morri) (Lori Stasinski)
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- Laura Selin – *Registrar*
- Sherrie Bereda, *Naviance Secretary*
- Beth Toth, *Data Secretary*
- Courtney Roberts, *Guidance Secretary*

Kyle - Summer To Do...

1. Write a list w/ dates of all your H.S. activities
2. Go in Naviance - complete resume builder.
3. Ask 2 teachers for letter of recommendation (Before school gets out!)
4. Write responses to Common App essays.
5. Get off work for Collegex App Bootcamp.
6. Log into Common App to see what information they ask for.
7. Look at scholarship tab on Naviance - write down the ones you would qualify for plus deadlines.

Explore Colleges/Universities

College Fairs

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

College Visits

- Campus Visit Checklist
- Best to visit when in session– make appointment!
- 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 on Naviance, 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.
- ▶ All visits are during lunch time on Main Street or after school in library

College Application Process

Three ways to apply:

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

Upon submission of application, many colleges/universities will create an student account/portal for the applicant to receive information through. **DO NOT USE LC EMAIL**

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

College Application Process

▶ DUAL CREDIT/AP Credit

- ▶ <http://lake-central.lcsc.us/student-services/guidance/>
- ▶ DUAL CREDIT:
 - Ivy Tech, Purdue Northwest, IUN, Vincennes
 - Request directly from college where credit was earned
 - Do not request until you know what university you will be attending.
- ▶ AP CREDIT (Advanced Placement)
 - Scores are sent through College Board

SAT vs ACT

- ▶ **LC – SAT School** : Juniors test April 9th 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
- ▶ Guidance Reading Letter of Rec policy
- ▶ If you don't need one..don't ask for one!

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.
- ▶ Outside sources can write letters: clergy, employers, volunteer coordinators

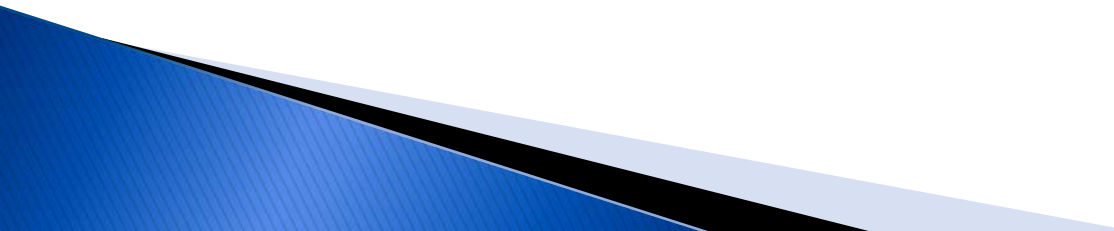


NAVIANCE

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. 24–25, 2019
- ▶ **October 16th** - Deadline for submitting documents for those wishing to be considered for the November deadlines.

BLOG: www.lcguidance.blogspot.com

- ▶ Scholarships
- ▶ Summer Programs

Twitter/Instagram – @LCHS_Guidance

- ▶ Scholarships – I.U. Wells, Lilly, Dye
- ▶ Deadlines
- ▶ Scheduling
- ▶ Events
- ▶ News
- ▶ Use of Social Media – Be Smart!

NCAA Eligibility Center

NAIA.org

- Test scores must be sent directly from College Board or ACT.org

Financial Aid Nights – FASFA – Opens Oct 1.

Closes – Depends on School/State

College Application Bootcamp: August 7th

Transcripts will be sent after Sept. 1