

PCS Early College High School's

COLLEGE APPLICATION BOOT CAMP



Graduation Requirements

- Familiarize yourself with your student's Graduation Requirements
- Transcripts: Pitt County School and Pitt Community College
- College Transfer Credit Grade Requirement: "C" or better

College Planning

- **Narrow down your College list: Utilize your AVID College Crate and finalize college choices**
- **Create a master calendar including tests dates, recommendation timeline and college and scholarship application due dates**
- **Contact College Board (SAT) or ACT to send your test scores directly to your prospective colleges (some colleges allow you to self-report scores, NC State)**

College Planning

- Finalize college choices
- Know your application deadlines
- Ask for recommendations
- Prepare essays and have them proof-read
- Request high school transcripts and Pitt Community College transcripts

Application Process

- **Submit applications for regular decision, early decision, early notification, and rolling admission**
- **Common Application: Commonapp.org**
- **College Foundation of North Carolina: CFNC.org
(North Carolina Colleges only)**
- **Complete Residency Determination Status online application via CFNC.org**
- **Send Transcripts**

DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION



National Association for
College Admission Counseling
Guiding the way to higher education

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST *SUITS* YOU?

Non-Restrictive Application Plans

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

Restrictive Application Plans

Early Decision (ED)

DEFINITION:

Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll. 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.

Recommendations

- Ask for a recommendation at least 3 weeks in advance of the due date
- Ask those who know you best to write a recommendation letter for you
- Provide the recommending adult with a copy of your resume
- Thank you notes to recommenders

High School Resume

- In many ways, applying to college is very similar to applying for a job, therefore we recommend you have a resume
- The goal of a good resume is to list your education, activities, community service, awards, employment history, interests and references and to demonstrate what you bring to the table
- https://www.mycoalition.help/hc/article_attachments/360007888113/cici-resume3.jpeg

Testing Information

- Check selected admissions criteria to know which tests are required, i.e. SAT, ACT, SAT Subject Tests
- Send test scores directly to the college or scholarship committee.
- SAT/ACT fee waivers are available based upon income requirements.
- ASVAB – Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery
- WorkKeys Examination

SAT/ACT Testing Dates

- www.collegeboard.com
 - **KhanAcademy**
 - <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/khan-academy>
- www.actstudent.org
 - **ACT Academy**
 - <https://academy.act.org/>
- **CEEB CODE: 340022**

ACT 2020 EXAM DATES

- Saturday, September 12
- Sunday, September 13
- Saturday, September 19
- (Sunday dates for religious observers)
- Saturday, October 10
- Saturday, October 17
- Saturday, October 24
- Sunday, October 25

SAT 2020 EXAM DATES

- August 29
- September 26
- October 3
- November 7
- December 5

Scholarships

- **Review Scholarship Websites:** www.cfnc.org, www.fastweb.com, UNIGO.com, <https://www.pitt.k12.nc.us/Domain/199> **click on scholarship opportunities**
- **Check with Prospective Colleges for scholarship opportunities**
- **Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or CSS College Profile if applying to certain selective colleges that requires this application**

BIG SCHOLARSHIPS

- Morehead-Cain Scholarship <http://www.moreheadcain.org/>
- Cheatham-White Scholars Program
<https://www.northcarolina.edu/future-students/scholarships-and-opportunities/cheatham-white-merit-scholarship/#:~:text=The%20Cheatham-White%20Scholarship%20will%20be%20established%20for%20the,who%20are%20exceptional%20scholars%2C%20versatile%20and%20well-rounded%20individuals.>
- Park Scholarship <https://park.ncsu.edu/>
- ECU Honors College, EC Scholars <https://honors.ecu.edu/>
- Fayetteville State University Early College Scholarship
- ECU Pirates Promise Program
- <https://admissions.ecu.edu/apply/transfers/pirate-promise/>

SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram
- Snap Chat
- **BE VERY CAREFUL !!!!!**

The Professional Speaks

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhX1sN_oMl6k

Important Senior Dates

- College Application Week – Oct. 19-23
- Cap & Gown/Ring Orders/Make-up Senior Portraits – TBD
- Pitt County Schools College Fair – Possibly Virtual

Helpful Websites

- CFNC.org
- Collegeboard.org
- actstudent.org
- Fastweb.com
- FAFSA.ed.gov
- Studentaid.ed.gov
- Finaid.org

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QUESTIONS ????

