

# Garfield College/Career To-Do List & Resources

## Scholarships

Wash Board – [www.washboard.org](http://www.washboard.org)

FastWeb - <http://www.fastweb.com/>

## College Research

Big Future – <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

Niche - <https://www.niche.com/colleges/?degree=4-year&sort=best> Cappex - <https://www.cappex.com/>

\*Key info to gather: Avg. GPA, SAT/ACT scores, course work requirements, app deadlines, tuition, etc.

## Trades & Apprenticeship Opportunities

South Seattle Georgetown Campus: <https://georgetown.southseattle.edu/apprenticeship-education-center/apprenticeship-training>

Skills Center Seattle Public Schools: [https://skillscenter.seattleschools.org/apply\\_enroll](https://skillscenter.seattleschools.org/apply_enroll)

WA Building Trades: <https://www.wabuildingtrades.org/apprenticeship--training.html>

## Career Search & Assessments

WA Career Bridge - <http://www.careerbridge.wa.gov/> Big Future – [www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org](http://www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org)

Bureau of Labor Statistics - <https://www.bls.gov/careeroutlook/2015/article/career-planning-for-high-schoolers.htm>

O\*Net career assessment at: <http://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip>

16 Personalities Test (Meyers Briggs) at <https://www.16personalities.com/free-personality-test>

## To Do List

- Personal Statement - Work on Personal Statement draft (have at least 2 people review)
- Letter of Recommendation - Think about and identify which 2 teachers you will ask
- School List – refine college list to 6-10 schools (safety, fit, and reach schools)
- Set up Common App, Coalition (or others) to start application process
- Complete & update your resume or activity list (extra-curriculars, jobs, internships, etc)
- Financial Aid–FAFSA applications will be open around December 2023, be prepared! Talk to your parents about paying for college.
  - <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
- Visit colleges (if possible) and attend college admissions visits (check Naviance to register for college visits under “RepVisits” section)

**Attend Advisory!** School Counselors will visit classrooms and advisory throughout the school year to go over specific grad requirement and college & beyond information.

## SAT/PSAT

\* Register here: <https://www.collegeboard.org>

• Study guide here: <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

\* Garfield will offer the SAT this year on Oct 11th to all seniors – no registration required

## ACT

\* Similar to SAT but has a science section / many math & engineering focused student might perform better on this test

• Register: <https://www.act.org/>

# College Application & Transcript Info

## Seattle Promise Scholarship

We recommend that ALL students apply for the Seattle Promise Scholarship. This will guarantee you 2 years of free tuition at Seattle Central. You can apply and decide not to use the scholarship, but it's a great option either way!

<https://www.seattlecolleges.edu/promise>

## Common App

• <https://www.commonapp.org/>

• Common App is the most frequently used college application website. You can apply for many colleges using Common App. Here are the steps needed to request your counselor report:

- You must enter your assigned counselors email address in the "Counselor Report" section (it may be titled differently)
- Your counselor will then upload your initial transcript, letter of rec, academic evaluation, extracurricular info, and personal characteristics evaluation.
- Your counselor will also upload your initial transcript (start of the year), mid year (after 1<sup>st</sup> sem grades) and final transcript (end of year in early July)
- Here is a guide to help you navigate this process: <https://www.commonapp.org/apply/first-year-students>
- Please make sure to enter your Counselors email at least 2 weeks PRIOR to your first deadline – remember, different schools have different deadlines!

## Other College App websites

- There are other college app websites (Coalition, SendEdu, Univ. of California, etc.)
  - Please make sure to follow their respective instructions carefully
- \*If your school is not on Common App, please request your transcript via Naviance

\*\*\* A **Letter of Recommendation Request Form** is required 2 weeks prior to your first deadline if you are applying to college via Common App, Coalition, SendEdu, or if you are requesting a letter of recommendation from your counselor. The form is found on the School Counseling website under the "Forms" tab

## Official Transcripts

- Most colleges accept their transcripts electronically. If you apply via Common App, Counselors will upload your transcripts there once you enter your Counselor's email address into the "Counselor Report" section.
- If your college is not Common App (i.e. Coalition, SendEdu, etc.) please follow their instructions on requesting transcripts.
- You can also use Naviance to request transcripts for most non-Common App college applications (see below for directions)
- Hard copies of official transcripts can be requested via: <https://seattleschools.org/departments/transcripts> •

## Naviance

Log in to your Clever account and access the "Naviance" app.

- Complete your required grade level activities / check your school counselor's Schoology page for instructions
- This app is a resource for researching and organizing your college & career options AND requesting transcripts for non-Common App college applications (i.e. Coalition, SendEdu, etc.) See below for instructions.



# HOW STUDENTS REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS

**Follow the steps below to request a transcript for non-Common App schools in Naviance. To request a transcript for Common App schools, please use the Common App website.**  
**Reminder:** Allow up to one week for transcript requests to be filled.

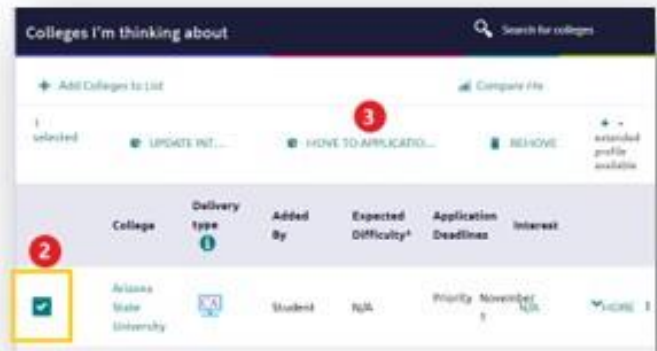
- 1) From Naviance home page, scroll down to the **My Favorites** section.

Click, **COLLEGES: I'm thinking about**.



- 2) Check the box next to the college you are applying to.

Then, click **"MOVE TO APPLICATIONS"**:



- 3) Check the boxes next to each school you would like to request transcripts for.



- 4) Click **REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS**.

What type of transcript are you requesting?

Initial

Mid year

Final

What additional materials, if any, do you want included?

Official SAT scores

Official ACT scores

Where are you sending the transcript(s)?

Carnegie University  Seattle Pacific University

**Request and Finish**

- 5) On the next page, review the request. Click, **Request and Finish**.