

CITY COLLEGE ADVISING FALL UPDATES



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Collegians,

Thank you for a wonderful start to the year. There are a lot of things that are happening over the next couple of weeks; please make sure to keep track of your application and financial aid deadlines. If you have any questions or want to work on applications, please stop into College Advising at anytime.

**IF YOU ARE APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY OF
MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK, THE
DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1ST!!!!**

University of Maryland, College Park has a strict deadline of **November 1st**; if you are applying to UMD, you need to submit the application AND all materials by this date.

A completed application includes:

- The application (via Common App is the easiest way) submitted by the student
- Official high school transcripts (see below for how to request transcripts in Naviance)
- Two letters of recommendation
 - One letter from a counselor/college advisor
 - One letter from a teacher
- Completed Fee Waiver (so you do not have to pay the \$75 application fee; see below for more information)
- College essay

****After you submit your application, you will receive your **Terps Application Portal (TAP)**. Within two business days of submitting your application, you will receive an email from our office with instructions on how to create a TAP account. Once you've created your account, you can access TAP to track your application status and confirm receipt of required materials. This is also where you will receive your electronic admission decision when it becomes available.**

FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS

We will also host Financial Aid workshops in person in the College Advising Office; bookmark these dates to come in and work on the FAFSA (please bring a device with you!)

FAFSA Brown Bag Sessions (for students only)
November 2 - 11:30AM-1:00PM

Parent FAFSA Workshop

November 29 - 6:00-8:00PM

December 8 - 6:00-8:00PM

January 5 - 6:00-8:00PM

January 26 - 6:00-8:00PM



INITIAL TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

Make sure to request your initial transcript **BEFORE** a college's deadline! This is done in Naviance under the "Colleges I'm Applying to" section by clicking the "Request Transcript" button. This needs to be done for all colleges you are applying to.



FEE WAIVERS FOR APPLICATIONS

Students at City receive Fee Waivers for their college applications.

- For colleges on the Common App: click on the "Profile" section and at the bottom, go to the "Common App Fee Waiver" section; click "Yes."
 - You only have to do this once and it will process for all your Common App Schools.
- For colleges not on the Common App, please see your College Advisor for the form.

"MATCHING" YOUR NAVIANCE AND COMMON APP ACCOUNTS

****IN ORDER FOR OUR OFFICE TO SEND DOCUMENTS TO COLLEGES THAT USE THE COMMON APP, YOU MUST "MATCH" YOUR COMMON APP AND NAVIANCE ACCOUNTS****
WE CANNOT SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS OR OTHER SCHOOL DOCUMENTS UNTIL THIS HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

STEP 1: COMPLETE THE FERPA WAIVER IN THE COMMON APP (THE GREEN CHECK MARK WILL BE THE INDICATOR IT IS DONE):

- SELECT ONE OF YOUR COLLEGES AND CLICK ON RECOMMENDERS AND FERPA ON THE LEFT-HAND SIDE. HERE YOU'LL COMPLETE THE FERPA RELEASE CONFIRMATION. YOU ONLY HAVE TO DO THIS STEP ONCE – IT WILL APPLY TO ALL SCHOOLS.
- CLICK ON THE "RELEASE AUTHORIZATION" LINK, REVIEW THE STATEMENT ON THE FIRST SCREEN (AND CHECK THE BOX TO ACKNOWLEDGE IT) AND THEN, ON THE SECOND SCREEN, CHECK THE BOX THAT AUTHORIZES AHC (AND ANY OTHER SCHOOL YOU'VE ATTEND) TO RELEASE YOUR RECORDS.
- THEN, INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO ACCESS YOUR RECOMMENDATION LETTERS. **YOU SHOULD CHECK THE BOX THAT YOU WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO ACCESS THESE LETTERS.**
 - IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS POLICY, PLEASE SEE YOUR COLLEGE ADVISOR.
- YOU WILL KNOW THIS IS COMPLETED ONCE THE GREEN CHECK MARK APPEARS NEXT TO THE FERPA SECTION IN THE COLLEGES (YOU ONLY HAVE TO DO THIS STEP ONCE AND IT WILL BE COMPLETED FOR ALL COLLEGES IN THE COMMON APP!)
- YOU SHOULD NOT INVITE RECOMMENDERS THROUGH COMMON APP. WE WILL TAKE CARE OF SENDING ALL RECOMMENDATIONS THROUGH NAVIANCE.

STEP 2: MATCH YOUR COMMON APP TO NAVIANCE

- LOGIN TO NAVIANCE AND CLICK ON THE "COLLEGES I'M APPLYING TO"
- CLICK ON "MATCH ACCOUNTS"
- SCROLL DOWN TO THE BOTTOM AND TYPE IN THE EMAIL ADDRESS YOU ARE USING AS YOUR LOGIN FOR THE COMMON APP AND HIT MATCH.

FAFSA

The FAFSA opens on October 1st. You can create your FSA ID before October 1st but you cannot fill out the FAFSA before that.

Here are some tips for filling out the FAFSA!

1. Create an FSA ID and Password for student and parent.
2. Gather your documents (2020 tax information for student and parent).
3. Have a list of colleges you will be applying to ready to enter into the FAFSA application.
4. Fill out, sign and submit the FAFSA. There is also a FAFSA App available on the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android)!
5. Email a copy of your FAFSA confirmation to your City College Advisor!

Apply now at www.fafsa.ed.gov



COLLEGE VISITS @ CITY

Colleges will continue to visit City from now through November. Please take advantage of them!

- 1) Students need to register in Naviance; students must register one day in advance. After registering, you will receive a confirmation. Students, if you cannot get into your Naviance account, please see your College Advisor. **You should be checking Naviance daily during the fall!**
2. Students are responsible for making up any missed classwork.
3. **Please keep in mind that if you register for a visit, we expect for you to attend since college representatives are visiting to see you (and if the visit is virtual, the reps are sitting in the virtual Zoom room waiting for you!). If you sign up for a visit and cannot make it, please cancel your registration in Naviance.**

1:1 MEETINGS WITH YOUR COLLEGE ADVISOR

If you have not already met 1:1 with your college advisor, please schedule your meeting as soon as possible by clicking the links below:

- **MS. TARINI (LAST NAME A-E):**

<HTTPS://CALENDLY.COM/MSTARINI/ONEONONEMEETING>

- **MS. FLORES (LAST NAME F-L):**

<HTTPS://CALENDLY.COM/FLORESCOLLEGEADVISOR/30MIN>

- **MR. JOYNER (LAST NAME M-R):**

<HTTPS://OUTLOOK.OFFICE365.COM/OWA/CALENDAR/RLJOYNERONEONONECALENDAR2022@CITYSCHOOLS2013.ONMICROSOFT.COM/BOOKINGS/>

- **MS. WILLIAMS (LAST NAME S-Z):**

<HTTPS://CALENDLY.COM/KHALIAH-WILLIAMS/1-1-COLLEGE-ADVISING-WITH-MS-WILLIAMS?MONTH=2022-09>

SCHOLARSHIPS

- **City Schools Scholarship Shelf:** This is a digital database with a list of local, statewide, regional, and national scholarship opportunities provided by the school district. The link for the Scholarship Shelf can be found [here](#)
- Links to other scholarships
 - CollegeBound Foundation - <https://www.collegeboundfoundation.org/scholarships-grants>
 - Central Scholarship - <https://central-scholarship.org/>
 - CollegeBoard - <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>
 - Unigo - <https://www.unigo.com/scholarships/our-scholarships>
 - Niche - <https://www.niche.com/colleges/scholarships/>
 - College Greenlight - <https://www.collegegreenlight.com/>
 - Going Merry - <https://www.goingmerry.com/>
 - Scholarships.com - <https://www.scholarships.com/>
 - Fastweb - <https://www.fastweb.com/>
- You can also use the "Scholarships and Money" tab under in Naviance to search for scholarships as well. The "National Scholarship Search" can be found here.

SAT SCHOOL DAY

The SAT will be offered to seniors on **Wednesday, October 12th**. Ms. Griffin, the testing coordinator, will be sending out details of arrival time.

RESOURCES

Visit our website:

<https://www.baltimorecitycollege.us/college-advising>

Link to Naviance:

<https://student.naviance.com/baltcitycollege>

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