



Central High School Class of 2017 News

- There is a College Fair for all Seniors on Wed 10/5 from 8:30-11:15 at the Basketball of Fame. Bring in your completed permission slip in order to attend
- The SAT School Day is Wed 10/19 all morning. Your printed admission ticket indicates that you are registered.
- Use the link on Collegeboard.org to Khan Academy for SAT prep. It is free and based on your PSAT results
- Massachusetts College Application Celebration Wed 11/16 in the library. You must supply completed applications for the schools participating in the same day decision day. More information to follow.
- Be aware of testing registration deadlines-The SAT is 11/5 and the deadline to register is 10/7. The next test is 12/3 and the deadline is to register is 11/2. The ACT is 12/10 and the deadline to register is 11/4.
- For financial aid be aware the FAFSA process starts 10/1. We will have a Financial Aid person, Alexander Rodriguez, at Central Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs to assist you. You will need your parent's tax information from 2015. Log onto FAFSA.ED.GOV to begin and get a FAFSA ID.
- Your GPA and rank are needed for many applications. They are on your transcript and reflect work through your Junior year.
- Our school code is 222030. Use this to search for your high school on the Common App and to use on other applications
- PLEASE read your emails!! Colleges, scholarships, financial aid and your counselor will be communicating with you via email.

College Application Process Checklist

- Make a list of colleges to apply to. Start by doing research (Naviance, collegeboard.com, etc). Visit campuses. Talk to your parents about your plan.
- Be aware of each school's individual application process (Common App, college specific online app or paper application) , requirements (subject tests, essay, number of recommendations) and deadlines (application and financial aid)
- Write your essay. Proofread it. Be sure it is perfect. You may need to change it a bit for different applications.
- Request letters of recommendation from teachers. Determine who would be able to write a good letter, someone who knows you well, and ask if they would write one for you. You must give them the application deadlines and give them a two week turnaround time to write it by the deadline. They may request a questionnaire or information be submitted before they write it.
- Complete the senior questionnaire on Naviance or a papercopy for your Counselor
- Complete FAFSA
- Apply for scholarships (look in the box in Counseling Office, online search, etc.)