

Juniors

Class of 2023

SAT's and ACT's

SAT's

www.collegeboard.com

- March 12th 2022
- May 7th 2022
- June 4th 2022

ACT's

www.actstudent.org

- April 2nd 2022
- June 11th 2022
- July 16th 2022

Timeline

Spring 2021

- Research Colleges
 - If possible, start visiting schools
- Takes SAT/ACT exams

Summer 2021

- Continue to visit colleges
- Finalize your list of school's you are applying to

Fall 2021

- Apply to your selected colleges
- Retake SAT/ACT exams

What makes up an application

- The application
 - This is what you do online
- SAT/ACT Scores
 - You send these in on either College Board or ACT's website
- Your transcript
 - I will send this in for you. Directions to come in the fall
- Counselor/Teacher Recommendations
 - These will also be requested by you, with directions in the fall

When should I apply

- The application
 - Most college applications are processed in the fall.
- SAT/ACT Scores
 - You can send these in at any time.
- Your transcript
 - Transcripts will not be available until Mid-September 2021 at the earliest.
- Counselor/Teacher Recommendations
 - Talk to teachers before summer break. They will be available next fall.

Common App

The Common App is a generic college application that over 800 colleges subscribe to. If you fill it out, you can re-use most of the information over and over again.

<http://www.commonapp.org/>

Coalition Application

An unprecedented coalition of diverse public and private colleges and universities has come together to improve the college admission application process for all students. The Coalition has developed a free platform of online tools to streamline the experience of applying to college. The initial iteration of the platform including applications for admission to Coalition schools is now available for students in high school.

<http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/>

What do Colleges look at??

- GPA, Class Rank, SAT/ACT Scores
- Rigor of curriculum taken
- Senior year schedule and grades
- Recommendation Letters
- Essays
- Extra Curricular Activities
- Portfolios
- Interviews

NCAA

You must apply to the NCAA Clearinghouse as a senior in order to compete at the Division 1 or Division 2 level in college

<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>

Naviance

Your Fit Criteria

Saved Searches Choose one ▼

Save Search

Start Over

0 selected criteria

Select Criteria To Start

To refine your results, use the arrows to move your criteria into the "Must Have" and "Nice to Have" boxes.

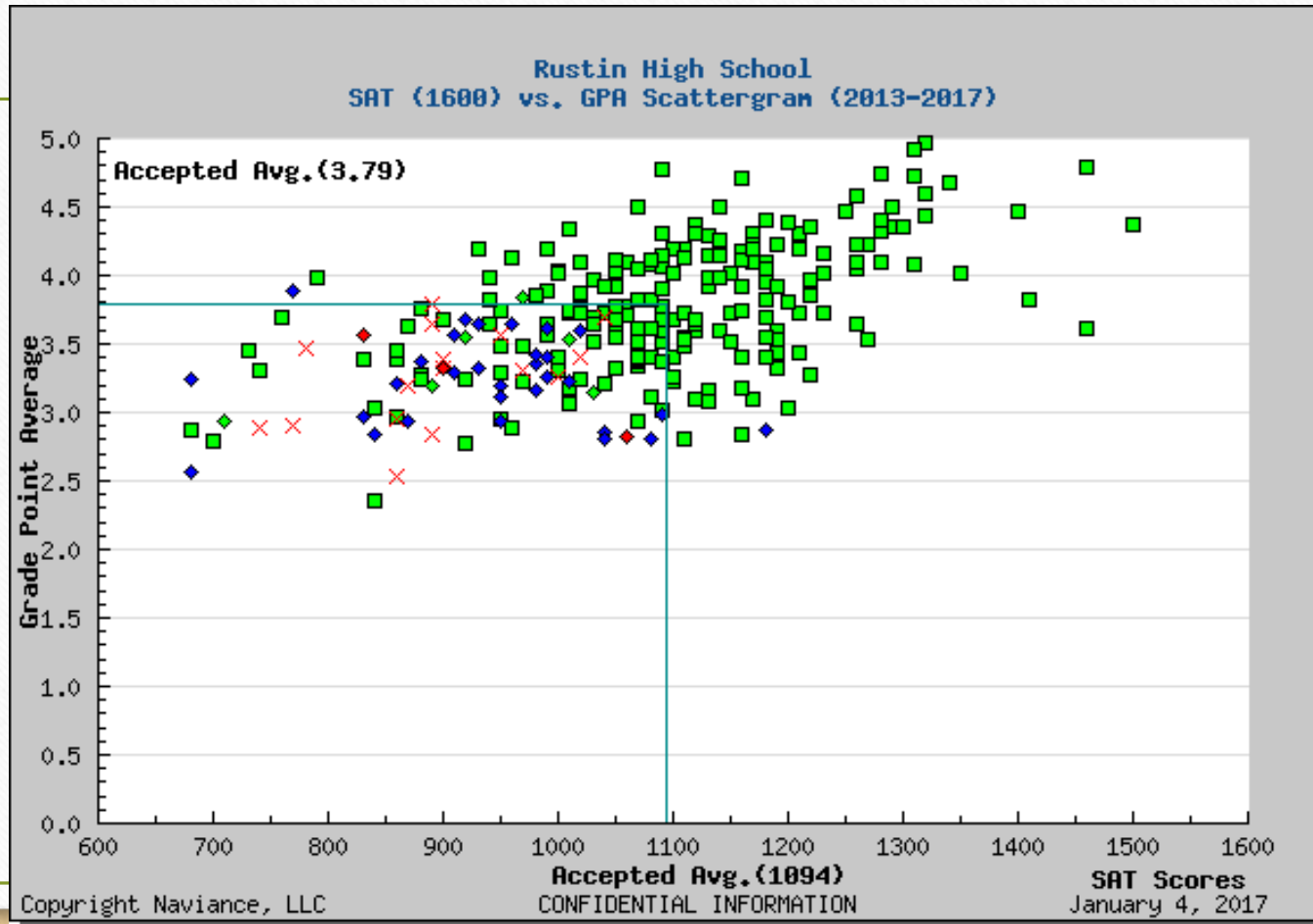
Must Have

A *Must Have* is anything you absolutely need to be happy and successful.

Nice to Have

A *Nice to Have* is anything that's important to you, but isn't an absolute must have.

Naviance



Don't put all your egg's in on basket



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- Reach
- Target
- Safety

Ways to apply

- **Regular Admissions:** This is the way most students apply. You can apply at anytime before the deadline. You are not bound by early admission dates or agreements of admissions.
- **Early Action:** This type of application has an earlier due date and, generally, students find out about their admission decision sooner. Some colleges prefer Early Action candidates while some do not. If you see incentives for Early Action, i.e. waived application fees or special scholarships only available to early action candidates, then the school probably prefers early applicants. If you do not see these types of incentives, be careful with Early Action. In a sense, you are telling the college to make a quick decision on your application and you are giving them no guarantees of admissions.
- **Early Decision:** This type of application has an earlier deadline, like Early Action. It is different from Early Action because you are guaranteeing the college you will attend if accepted. A student is financially responsible for attendance at the college, even before you know what your financial aid package is going to be.

Fee Waivers are available for:

- SAT's
- ACT's
- College Applications

Is Penn State a State School?

NO

Penn State is not a State School. Penn State is a public, State Related School.

State Schools



State Related Colleges

- Penn State University
- Temple University
- Lincoln University
- The University of Pittsburgh

Tuition/Fees 2021/2022

Yearly - 15 Credits or "Full Time" per semester

Community College

Delaware County Community College

- \$9,860

PA State Colleges

West Chester University

- \$7,716.00

Millersville University

- \$9,570

PA State Related Schools

Penn State

- \$18,368

Temple University

- \$22,034.00

Out of State Public

The University of Delaware

- \$34,840

The University of Maryland

- \$36,683

Private Schools

New York University

- \$56,500

Saint Josephs University

- \$47,740

College Fairs



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- Pennsylvania Association for College Admission Counseling (PACAC)
- <https://www.pacac.org/college-fairs>

Essay Topics

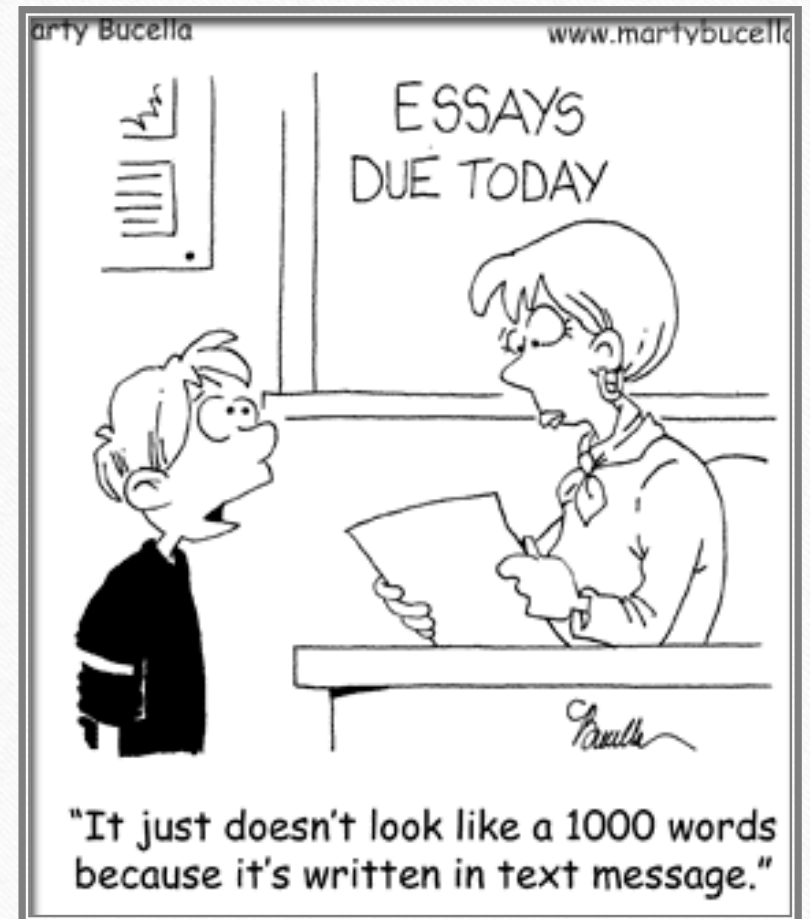
What do colleges look for?

Civic Engagement (*colleges want people who care about others, not just themselves*).

Expertise in a Field/Creativity (*what are you passionate about?*)

Leadership (*how will you enhance the quality of life on campus for the students around you and show you are a future leader of tomorrow?*).

Resilience/Obstacles Overcome (*how well do you handle adversity/challenges?*)



WCASD Career Education

The West Chester Area School District's Career Education Program is multi-faceted and provides high school students with unique opportunities to enter into, and learn about, the world of work. Through “real world” observations and hands-on experiences, students connect school-based learning with the core skills and technical training needed for future success.

WCASD Career Education Website:

<https://sites.google.com/wcasd.net/careereducation/home>



Helpful Videos

[The College Admissions Game](#)

[Admission Red Flags](#) (to 4:50)

[What Do Colleges Look For?](#)

Last but not least

College Interview Sessions will be conducted during English classes in the spring by a representative from Penn State