

WELCOME



**College Planning for
Class of 2022 & 2023**

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

23 Total Credits to Graduate from CV

- **4 credits in English**
- **3 credits in Social Studies**
 - World History (1)
 - Government (.5)
 - Economics (.5)
 - US History (1)
- **3 credits in Science**
 - Biology and 1 Physical Science
- **3 credits in Math**
 - Algebra 1 and Geometry
- **2 additional credits from a combination –**
 - Social Studies, Math, Science
- **1.5 credits in Health & PE**
- **Keystone Exams – Algebra 1, Biology and 10th grade English. Class of 2023 must pass with certain criteria.**
- **PA Career Standard Activities**

TESTING

***Due to COVID-19 many colleges have selected to go “Test Optional” for the class of 2022 and 2023. This means that you have the choice of sending SAT or ACT scores.**

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS EXAMS

SAT

Website: www.CollegeBoard.org

Test Structure: Math, Reading, Writing & Language

Reading: 5 passages

Science: None

Math: Through Trigonometry & Data Analysis

Tools: Half of the math sections allow use of a calculator

Length:

- 3 hours

Score:

- Cumulative Score: Scale of 400 – 1600

***No penalty for incorrect answers

ACT

Website: www.ActStudent.org

Test Structure: Math, Reading, English, Science

Reading: 4 passages

Science: 1 section

Math: Through Trigonometry

Tools: All math sections allow use of a calculator

Essay: *Optional*

Length:

- 2 hours and 55 minutes (without essay)
- 3 hours and 40 minutes (with Essay)

Score:

- Composite score of 1-36

***No penalty for incorrect answers

Most colleges accept both the SAT and ACT equally for admissions and merit-based scholarships, so decide which test is right for you!

2021-2022 TESTING DATES

SAT

Test Date	Deadline
August 28, 2021	July 30, 2021
October 2, 2021	September 3, 2021
November 6, 2021	October 8, 2021
December 4, 2021	November 5, 2021
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022

ACT

Test Date	Deadline
September 11, 2021	August 6, 2021
October 23, 2021	September 17, 2021
December 11, 2021	November 5, 2021
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022

TEST SCORE SUBMISSION

“Official” College Admissions Exam Scores
(*ACT/SAT/AP/Subject Tests*) **MUST** be submitted by **YOU**
through **YOUR** personal College-Board account

- You receive **4** free score reports submissions to school when you REGISTER for a test and for up to nine days after the test.
- After that, if you did not take advantage of the opportunity for 4 free score reports to be sent to colleges, there is a fee for sending score reports, unless you’re eligible for a fee waiver.
- ScoreChoice

Testing After Applying:

- Do not wait for test scores to come in to submit your college applications!
- For the fall tests, code the colleges you want to receive your scores at registration

TEST PREP

- Collegeboard.org
 - Khan Academy – uses PSAT and SAT scores to create a free prep program
 - College and Career Planning
 - Question of the Day
- Actstudent.org
 - Test prep
 - College and career planning
- Independent/Community-Based Programs (\$\$\$)

*****Check the Counseling and Career Website for additional College Admissions Exam Prep opportunities in the area*****

TRANSCRIPTS

- The High School Transcript consists of the following information:
 - All courses taken during high school, the final grades and credit earned in each course
 - Weighted and Unweighted cumulative GPA
 - Class Rank
- The students' official transcript is provided through the counseling center. Students have access to their unofficial transcript in Skyward.
- College Admissions Exam Scores are NOT included on student transcripts.
 - College Admissions Exam Scores must be sent by **the student** through their Collegeboard and/or ACT Account.

Transcripts Cont.

- *It is important to know where to find your transcript in Skyward as some colleges will require you to self-report (SRAR).
- * CV reports GPA on a 100 point scale and does not convert to a 4.0 scale.
- * The Counseling Center has an unofficial conversion chart if needed.

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

Division I or II – Create an account for Certification (\$90 Fee) in 11th grade.

***To make official visits or to sign a National Letter of Intent.**

Division III or Undecided – Create a profile page (Free)

***NCAA ID & they will send you important reminders as you complete high school.**

More information can be found at: web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3

***Checklists & College Athlete Advising Guides**

COLLEGE VISITS

- Students have 2 days each school year they may use for college visits.
- Visit forms available in the Counseling Center and Attendance Offices
 - This is your absentee note
- **Important Stops**
 - Admissions Office
 - Financial Aid Office
 - Classes of intended major
 - Student Union
 - Dining Hall
 - Residence Halls

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

- ◉ BE AWARE OF YOUR COLLEGE'S ADMISSIONS TIMETABLE!!!
 - **Early Action / Priority Decision**
 - Apply early and receive a decision early. Not binding.
 - **Early Decision**
 - Apply early and if accepted, you must attend the institution. Binding agreement!
 - **Regular Decision**
 - All applications are due on a certain date, and all applicants are notified on a certain date.
 - **Rolling Admissions**
 - Applications are evaluated and processed as they are received.
 - **Honors and Special Talents Programs** (Art, Music, etc.)
 - Will most likely have separate deadline dates.

NAVIANCE TOOLS FOR COLLEGE

- **Supermatch and College Match**

- Match interests, majors, size, clubs, sports, etc. to colleges

- **College Compare**

- Will compare students scores with those of others from CV that got accepted, compares other schools with similar information, matches other schools with your student that they may be interested in

- **Maps and Scattergrams**

- **Scholarships**

○ **Colleges Lookup**

- Virtual Tours
- Admissions Requirements
- Details and Stats about school
- Majors
- Extra-curriculars
- Financial Costs and Aide

○ **Sign up for Admissions Visits to CV in the fall**

○ **Colleges I'm thinking about**

○ **Colleges I'm applying to**

- Application process, request for transcripts

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- ◉ Typically no more than (2) TWO Letters of Recommendation are necessary; follow your colleges' requirements.
- ◉ Choose someone carefully (*ask an academic teacher and/or a teacher who knows you well and is familiar with your most recent school work*).
- ◉ Ask EARLY and IN PERSON (If requesting in the fall)! Allow two weeks or ten work days or more for individual to write your letter!
- ◉ Complete the “Letter of Recommendation Survey” on Naviance; under “My Surveys.” Print a hard copy if requested by the teacher. Teachers should not upload their letter until after August 1st.
- ◉ Be sure to indicate which teacher recommendation should go to each college. We recommend to NOT “select all”.

*****Follow up with a thank you!!**

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

This is where students request letters from teachers. All staff names are in a drop down menu once you hit “Add Request.”

Letters of recommendation

Your Requests

You can request new letters of recommendation and track the most recent status of your requests here.

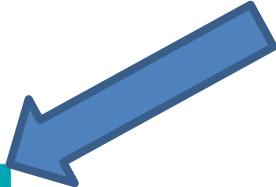
[Add Request](#)

Recommendation For ^	Deadline ^	Recommender(s)	Status ⓘ	Cancel Request
All Applications ⓘ	See applications	Melissa Blacksmith	Requested	✕
		Mary Beth Moritz	In Progress	✕
		Chris Budman	In Progress	✕

[Add Request](#)

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[Log out](#)



“YES, I DO WAIVE MY RIGHT...”

⇒ IMPORTANT PRIVACY NOTICE FOR COMMON APPLICATION

Common Application recommendation forms may not be submitted online by your school until you answer the questions below. You will not be able to change this information once you have completed the items below.

I understand that under the terms of the FERPA, after I matriculate I will have access to this form and all other recommendations and supporting documents submitted by me and on my behalf, unless at least one of the following is true:

1. The institution does not save recommendations post-matriculation (see list at www.commonapp.org/ferpa).
2. I waive my right to access below, regardless of the institution to which it is sent:

- ☐ Yes, I do waive my right to access, and I understand I will never see this form or any other recommendations submitted by me or on my behalf.
- ☐ No, I do not waive my right to access, and I may someday choose to see this form or any other recommendations or supporting documents submitted by me or on my behalf to the institution at which I'm enrolling, if that institution saves them after I matriculate.

Most college applications will ask you to either check the box:

☐ “Yes, I do waive my right...” or

☐ “No, I do not waive my right...”

to designate if you waive your right to view your recommendations after enrollment.

*I highly recommend
waiving your right to
access the
recommendations.*

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH

- CV High School Counseling and Career page
 - College Planning link
 - Financial Aid link
 - Several links to resources online regarding financial aid information and scholarship search sites.
- Scholarship List in Naviance (Mrs. Ferguson)

**DO NOT PAY FOR SCHOLARSHIP
INFORMATION!**

Military Academies

Additional Steps that MUST be started earlier than the traditional college application This is an automated response for the email of Shannon Weary, School Counselor for the Class of 2022 (Last names A-K). I will be out of the office until Thursday, September 16.

If your email is in regards to transcript requests or questions about the Naviance college application process, please contact Melissa Ferguson, Program Secretary, at mferguson@cvschools.org or 717-506-3632.

CVHS

COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

All senior students should be familiar with and should be using their **Naviance** account to research careers and colleges.

Students who are unfamiliar with Naviance or need assistance should see their counselor or Mrs. Ferguson ASAP.

Three Basic Steps for Submission of College Application Documents:

1. Student will go to the college website and complete the application. Most websites including common app do not open until August 1.
2. Student will then go into their Naviance Account and update the “**Colleges I am Applying to**” section with the names of the schools.
3. Finally, a **CV College Application Checklist** must be completed and submitted to Counseling & Career Center. This is an internal form that allows us to track application submission.



CUMBERLAND VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL-CEEB # 392545
COLLEGE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

STUDENT NAME: _____ COUNSELOR: _____

DATE: _____ DATE RECEIVED IN OFFICE _____
(office only)

Check the appropriate boxes, provide the requested information, sign and date this form. If this symbol is next to your college on Naviance, documents will be mailed. Common Application Schools and electronic submission schools will be submitted via Naviance.

*****PLEASE ALLOW AT LEAST 10 SCHOOL DAYS FOR PROCESSING*****

SEND TO:	Naviance Transcript Requested, (Y or N)	ED, EA, RD, or Rolling	College Deadline	Common App (Y or N)	or M	Letters of Rec. (List teacher(s) and/or counselor names	Have you sent your SAT or ACT scores?
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9.							
10.							

Student Signature: _____

COLLEGE APPLICATION CHECKLIST



AFTER APPLYING TO COLLEGE...

STUDENT

- SAT/ACT Scores must be sent to colleges through testing agency
 - Collegeboard.org
 - ACTStudent.org
- Submit to the counseling office copies of acceptance letters and scholarship awards as they are received
- Update status in Naviance as results are known (accepted, denied, waitlisted)

SCHOOL

- School College and Career Secretary (Mrs. Ferguson) will submit the following:
 - Recommendation letters/forms
 - School Profile
 - Official Transcript

***Student college application portals are not always updated in a timely manner. If questionable, follow up with each schools' admissions office to confirm documents have been received.

JUNIOR COLLEGE TIMELINE

FALL

- Obtain a broad list of schools by using NAVIANCE and/or other programs
- Attend the College and Post-Secondary Career Fair and talk with representatives
- Take the PSAT in October
- Schedule meeting with your counselor to discuss options
- Attend CV's financial aid workshop or other area events
- Prepare for College Admissions Exams (ACT/SAT)

SPRING

- Continue to narrow down your college choices
- Continue virtual or face to face college visits
- Meet with your counselor to discuss your progress
- Work on your resume and consider teachers for recommendations

SUMMER

- Continue college visits virtually (or in person, when allowed) and interviews
- KNOW APPLICATION DEADLINES

SENIOR COLLEGE TIMELINE

FALL

- ◉ Attend College and Post-Secondary Career Fair or others in the area, complete college visits
- ◉ Schedule an appointment with your school counselor or Mrs. Ferguson if you have questions about the application process
- ◉ Pare down college choices to 4-6 colleges
- ◉ Apply for admission on college websites or common app and then update your Naviance account
- ◉ Take College Admissions Exams and send official scores to colleges
- ◉ Attend CV's FAFSA (11/8/21) and Financial Aid (9/29/21) Webinars
- ◉ Begin search for college scholarships and the Naviance Scholarship List

WINTER

- ◉ Continue to search for and apply for scholarships
- ◉ Double check to make sure that you have met financial aid deadlines

SPRING

- ◉ Make final college decisions and notify colleges of your decision
- ◉ Notify CV of your college plans and scholarship awards
- ◉ Keep grades up for final reports

IMPORTANT TAKE AWAYS

- Students should apply to their chosen colleges through the specific college website or Common App
- Students are responsible for sending SAT and/or ACT scores
- Submitting requests for transcripts and letters of recommendation take place through Naviance
- Complete the College Application Checklist to ensure all steps have been followed
- Students should take responsibility for the process of sending and submitting materials
- Students **MUST** consistently check their emails for communication from their colleges!
- Colleges may choose to request mid-year reports, so stay on top of your grades.

Thank you for taking the time to be
here and let us know if you have
any further questions!

Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Weary, Mrs. Nitchman, Mr.
Landis and Mrs. Ferguson