

CAREERS

Career Finder™

 **CollegeBoard**

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OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK

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Profiler

MY NEXT MOVE



Ohio
MEANS
Jobs®

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ALHS Webpage




BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

WWW.BLS.GOV ↪

- Fastest declining occupations
- Fastest growing occupations
- Occupations needed by state
- Salary data
- And more

Fastest Growing Occupations

PRINTER-FRIENDLY 

Fastest growing occupations: 20 occupations with the highest projected percent change of employment between 2023-33.

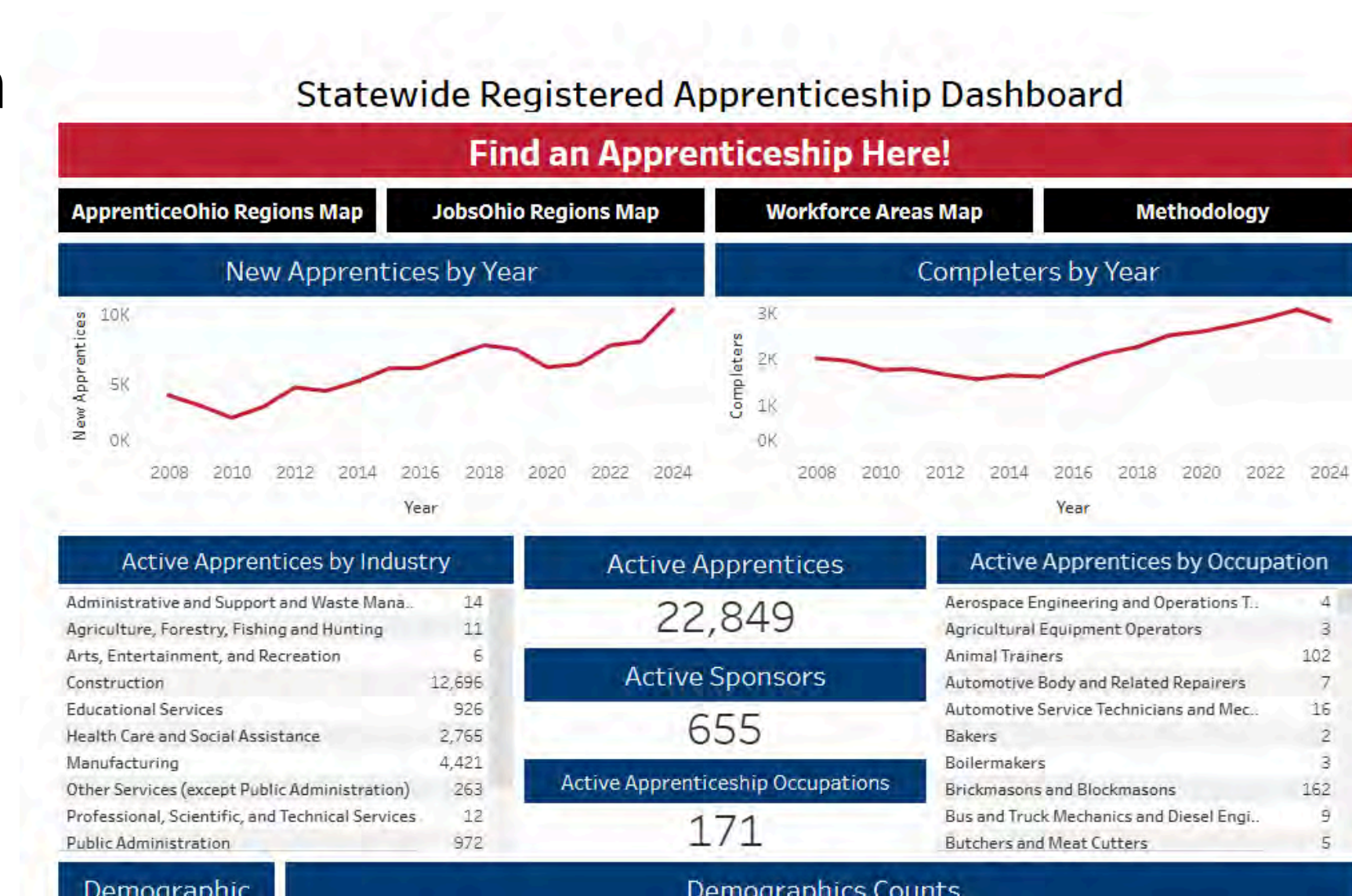
Click on an occupation name to see the full occupational profile.

| OCCUPATION | GROWTH RATE, 2023-33 | 2023 MEDIAN PAY |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|
| Wind turbine service technicians | 60% | \$61,770 per year |
| Solar photovoltaic installers | 48% | \$48,800 per year |
| Nurse practitioners | 46% | \$126,260 per year |
| Data scientists | 36% | \$108,020 per year |
| Information security analysts | 33% | \$120,360 per year |
| Medical and health services managers | 29% | \$110,680 per year |
| Physician assistants | 28% | \$130,020 per year |
| Computer and information research scientists | 26% | \$145,080 per year |
| Physical therapist assistants | 25% | \$64,080 per year |
| Operations research analysts | 23% | \$83,640 per year |
| Occupational therapy assistants | 22% | \$67,010 per year |
| Actuaries | 22% | \$120,000 per year |
| Financial examiners | 21% | \$84,300 per year |
| Home health and personal care aides | 21% | \$33,530 per year |

ApprenticeOhio

Benefits of Apprenticeships

- Skill Development
- Considered a Full-Time Employee from Day One
- Avoid Student Debt
- Begin a Long-Term Career Pathway
- Structured Training with Experienced Mentors
- A minimum of 2,000 Hours of On-the-job Training
- 144 hours of Classroom Training
- Pay Increases with Program Progression
- Nationally Recognized Credentials
- University of Ohio Classroom Instruction
- Receive College Credits

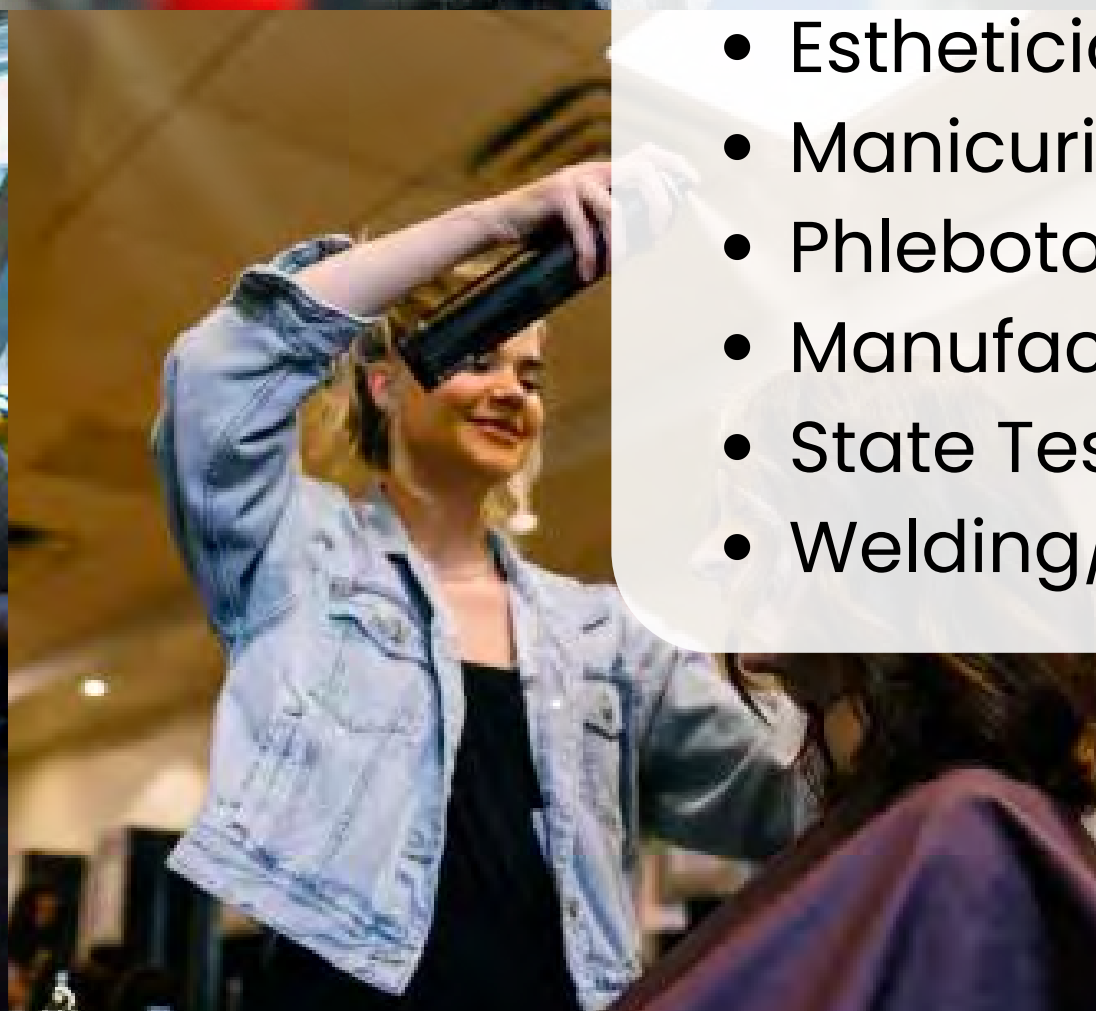




Adult Career Center

Career Tech Education

- Automotive Service Technician
- Cosmetology
- Dental Assisting/Radiography
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Esthetician
- Manicurists
- Phlebotomy
- Manufacturing
- State Tested Nurse Aide
- Welding/Fabrication



Automotive Program

- Automotive Service Technician



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Health & Beauty Programs*

- Cosmetology
- Esthetician
- Manicurists



*not OMJ-qualified.



Healthcare Programs

- Dental Assisting/Radiography
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
- Phlebotomy Technician
- State Tested Nurse Aide (STNA)





Manufacturing Programs

- Manual Machining
- CNC Programming & Operations
- Certified Production Technician
- Welding/Fabrication





Enrollment Process

- Attend a 1st Step to Success! Information Session.
- Complete applications for financial aid and/or scholarships; create your financial plan.
- Submit program-specific paperwork.
 - Includes a copy of your high school diploma/GED.
- Enroll and begin your new endeavor!

Questions? Contact:
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BBA, M.Ed
CTE Recruitment Coordinator
Lorain County JVS
440-744-1051 x 22254
thayslett@lcjvs.net



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MILITARY

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OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD**

ACTIVE DUTY

RESERVES

MILITARY ACADEMY

ROTC

NATIONAL GUARD

- Recruiter
- ASVAB Exam
- Physical Exam
- Career Counseling
- Oath of Enlistment
 - Direct Ship
 - Delayed Entry Program
 - Split Option
- Basic Training
- Active Duty vs. Reserve Duty



ENLISTMENT PROCESS

MILITARY ACADEMIES

- START EARLY!
- Free tuition \$300k+ value
- Bachelor of Science
- Commissioned as Officer
- Minimum 5 years service (usually)





- Responds to domestic emergencies, overseas combat missions, counterdrug efforts, reconstruction missions
- Any state governor or the President of the United States can call on the Guard in a moment's notice.
- Guard Soldiers hold civilian jobs or attend college while maintaining their military training part time.

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD



WHAT IS IT?

Exam that measures abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military.

ALSO: ASVAB Career Exploration Program: for non-military bound students: results used to guide career exploration

INTERESTED?

ALHS is looking to offer the ASVAB this upcoming October. Please let your counselor know if you are interested.



COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

Community College Savings*



Source: The College Board, Trends in College Pricing and Student Aid 2020

*All costs based on tuition and fees only. Does not include expenses such as room, board, or transportation. Does not include financial aid or scholarships.

BEFORE YOU THINK 4 YEAR COLLEGE...

CONSIDER YOUR OPTIONS!

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2025 LORAIN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 2025

PRESENTED BY SARAH NAU
LORAIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

- New graduates may be automatically eligible for these scholarships, and are eligible for the following scholarships through either their earned GPA while in high school, or through credits earned while in College Credit Plus (high school dual enrollment).
- No application is needed as these scholarships are awarded based on student record or enrollment information as well as information provided to LCCC by the student's high school.
- However, recipients will need to formally accept the scholarship for it to be applied to their account. Please be on the lookout for communications about your eligibility.

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

- Each of the following awards are last-dollar, and require students to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Awards can be used for tuition for courses in associate degree programs as well as LCCC courses with a University Partnership bachelor's degree.
- LCCC partners with 14 colleges and universities, delivering more than 100 bachelor's and master's degrees-saving an average of \$74,000.00
- Recipients of these awards must maintain good academic standings and a 2.50 GPA while enrolled at LCCC, and are encouraged to also pursue other scholarships and experiences based on their program of study, career interests, and financial need.
- The scholarships are known as the Trustee Award, Presidential Award and the Career Incentive Award.

Partners include:

- Ashland University
- Bowling Green State University
- Cleveland State University
- Franklin University
- Kent State university
- Lake Erie College
- Miami University Regionals
- Ohio University
- The Ohio State University
- University of Akron
- University of Toledo
- Ursuline College
- Western Governors OH
- Youngstown State University

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

Trustee Award

- The LCCC Trustee Award covers up to 72 credit hours of tuition and fees over two consecutive years (Summer, Fall and Spring semesters are included for two full years).
- Students may qualify for the Trustee Award in one of two ways.
 - High School GPA, 3.7 GPA at the conclusion of their junior year of high school OR
 - Completion of 24 or more college credits through the College Credit Plus program with LCCC. CTAG, CTE credits can be considered in the CCP credit total for eligibility.
- The scholarship requires students to enroll full time (12 credit hours) and does not cover books, supplies or material fees.

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

Presidential Award

- The LCCC Presidential Award covers tuition and fees up to \$1,500.00 per semester, over two consecutive years (Summer, Fall and Spring are included for two full years).
- Students can qualify for the Presidential Award in one of two ways:
 - Have a 3.40-3.699 GPA at the conclusion of their junior year of high school OR
 - Completion of 12-23 college credits through the College Credit Plus program at LCCC. CTAG, CTE credits can be considered in the CCP credit total for eligibility.
- The scholarship requires students to enroll full time (12 credit hours) and does not cover books, supplies or material fees.

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

Career Incentive Award

- The LCCC Career Incentive Award is a \$500.00 per semester award, for use towards tuition and fees over two consecutive years (Summer, Fall and Spring semesters are included for two full years).
- Students can qualify for the Career Incentive Award in one of two ways:
 - Have a 2.50-3.39 GPA at the conclusion of their junior year of high school OR
 - Completion of 1-11 college credits through the College Credit Plus program at LCCC. CTAG, CTE credits can be considered the CCP credit total for eligibility.

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

Career Incentive Award

- Students who pursue academic programs aligned to areas of high workforce need in the northeast Ohio region can double their award and receive \$1,000.00 per semester towards their tuition and fees over two consecutive years (Summer, Fall and Spring semesters are included for two full years).
- The collection of programs eligible for an increased Career Incentive Award is subject to change based on regional workforce needs, though students are guaranteed to receive their award over their two-year eligibility period.
- LCCC's programs are designed to "stack" into one another to help you seamlessly advance your education and career.

Career Incentive Award

The \$1,000.00 Career Incentive Award also applies to any short-term certificate, one-year certificate, associate degree or applied bachelor's degree offered within the following programs:

- Accounting
- Applied Electronics
- Automation which includes the Applied Bachelors Degree
- Clinical Lab Science
- Computer Maintenance and Networking
- Construction
- Culinary Arts
- Cybersecurity
- Data Analytics
- Dental Hygiene
- Emergency Medical Services-Paramedic
- Entrepreneurship/Management
- Fast-Track Programs
- Industrial Safety
- Mandel Humanities Cohort
- Medical Assisting
- Micro Electromechanical Systems (MEMS) which includes Applied Bachelors Degree
- Network Technology
- Nursing-All Levels
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy Assisting
- Practical Nursing (LPN)
- Radiologic Technology
- Software Development
- Sonography
- Sterile Processing
- Surgical Technology
- Web Development
- The Career Incentive Award requires students to enroll full time (12 credit hours) and does not include books, supply or material fees.

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

- Did you earn credits through College Credit Plus with LCCC, but attended a high school outside of Lorain County?
- If so, you still may qualify for these scholarships.
- Please contact info@lorainccc.edu to check your eligibility

Scholarships for 2025 Lorain County High School Grads

Questions?

Please feel free to contact the following:

Info@lorainccc.edu

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Student Financial Aid at LCCC

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APPLYING TO COLLEGE:



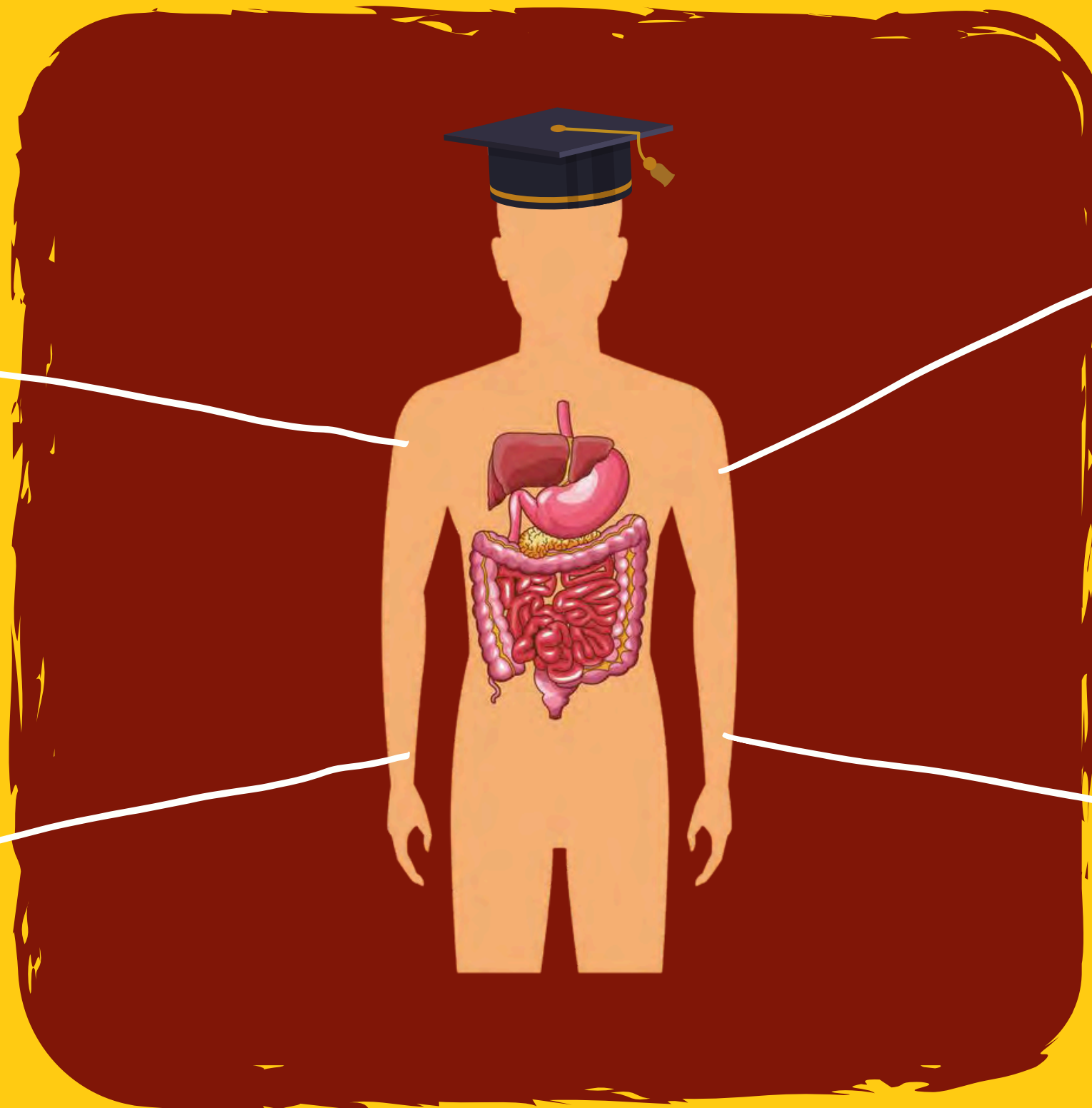
ANATOMY 101: THE COLLEGE APPLICATION

Application
(essay and fee)

ACT/SAT scores
if applicable
Sent by student directly from
testing websites

Official Transcript
Sent through Naviance

Letters of
Recommendation
if applicable



HOW TO APPLY TO COLLEGE:

Student submits application to college(s)

Common App OR Direct to the College
Essay may be required

Student submits official SAT/ACT scores

If applicable. Must be sent through
act.org or collegeboard.org

Student submits blue form(s) to Counseling Office

1 blue form for EACH college

ONGOING:
Student meets with his/her counselor

Set up at least one senior meeting with your counselor.

This is a process, not a one time event.

Counselors will meet with the senior class the first week of school this fall

Student asks for teacher/counselor letters of recommendation

If applicable. Do your research first.
Teacher/counselor requests & letters are sent through Naviance (NOT COMMON APP)



SO... WHAT IS COMMON APP?

A single online college application form used by over 1,000 colleges and universities.

Instead of filling out the same general information—like your address, GPA, and extracurriculars— a dozen times, you only have to do it once.

Students can create a Common App account at any time... like now!

If you create an account before August 1st, CA deletes any responses to college questions or writing supplements. This is because many colleges change their application year over year. Any invitations to counselors, teachers, advisors, and other recommenders are also removed.

You can plan out things like essay responses but be sure to save those notes somewhere secure outside of Common App.

****Use a personal email- not an alstudent email****



Let's get started!

Welcome to Common App! Please tell us how you will use the system so we can prepare your account. If you are unsure, we encourage you to explore each option before you continue.

Already have an account? [Go to the login page.](#)

First year student



Transfer student



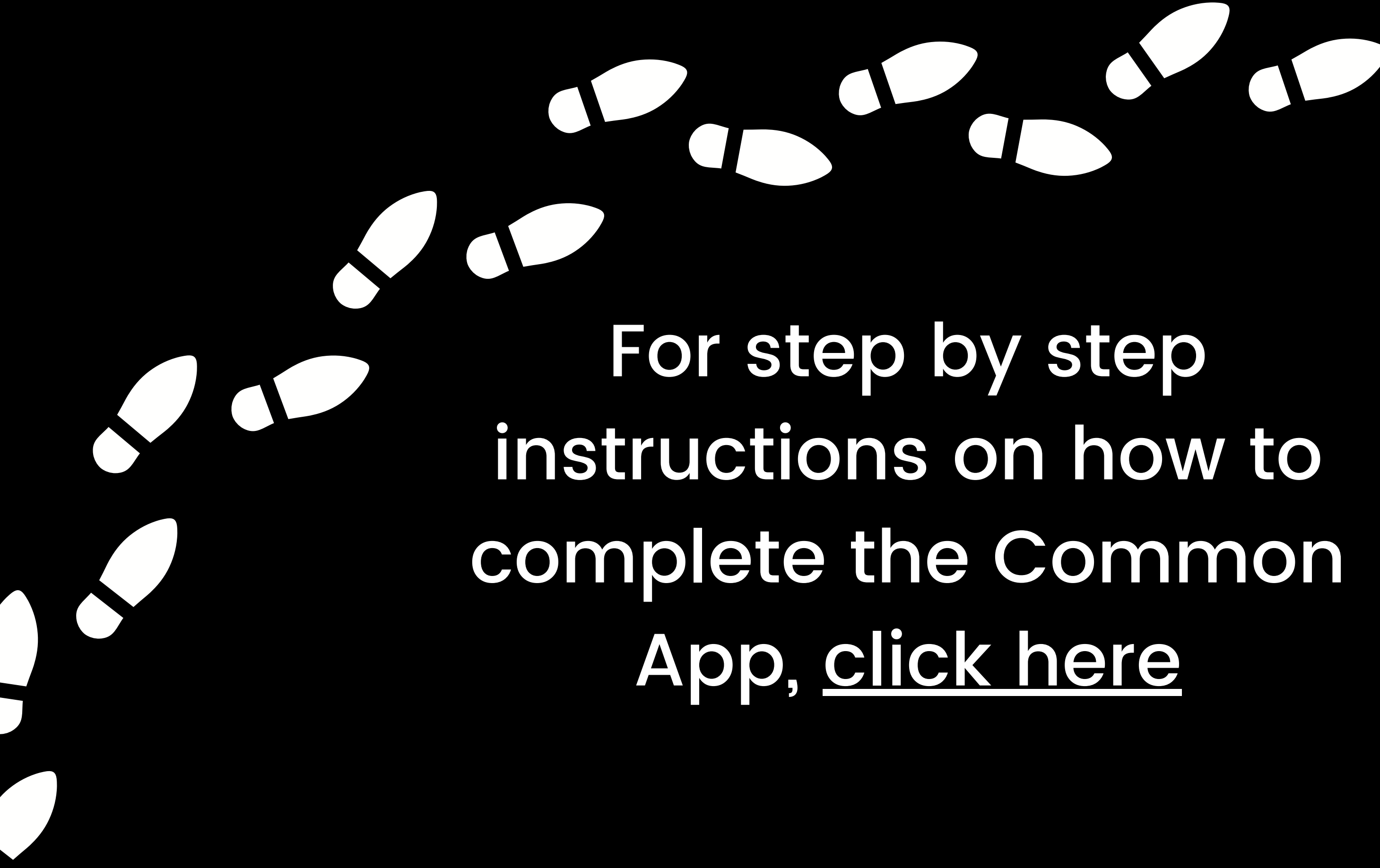
Education professional



Parent or other adult



www.commonapp.org



For step by step
instructions on how to
complete the Common
App, [click here](#)

5 Main Sections of Common App:

Dashboard

★ My Colleges

★ Common App

College Search

Financial Aid Resources

Common App in a nutshell...

- 1-Enter basic info (name, address, school, parent info, etc) activities,
- 2- Add colleges you are applying to
- 3- Add in College Essay (if college(s) requires)
- 4- Answer any additional questions specific to each college
- 5- Review, review, review. Then review again
- 6- Submit... and see your counselor

Common App Essay Prompts– may vary slightly year to year

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent that is so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
3. Reflect on a time when you questioned or challenged a belief or idea. What prompted your thinking? What was the outcome?
4. Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?
5. Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.
6. Describe a topic, idea, or concept you find so engaging that it makes you lose all track of time. Why does it captivate you? What or who do you turn to when you want to learn more?
7. Share an essay on any topic of your choice. It can be one you've already written, one that responds to a different prompt, or one of your own design.



VS. DIRECTLY

COMMON APP

WWW.COMMONAPP.ORG

One application, can send to over 1,000 schools that accept it

Lengthy, but only have to do once

For students who are applying to 3 + colleges (give or take)

DIRECTLY TO THE COLLEGE

Available on each college's website

Less to fill out, may not have to do an essay, have to fill out multiple apps

For students who are applying to less than 3 colleges (give or take)



Download the *Common App* 'app'

WHEN SHOULD I APPLY?

Decision Plan



Early Action

Submit
Application
Early

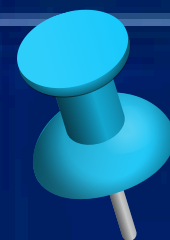
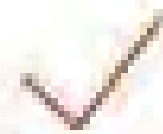
Receive
Admissions
Decision Early

Binding (expected
to enroll if
admitted)

Can apply to other
schools under this
decision plan



Early Decision



Regular Decision

Optional





EARLY ACTION

Nov 1,
Nov 15,
Dec 15



EARLY DECISION

BINDING



ROLLING / REGULAR DECISION

Student A

- Unsure which school is 'top choice'
- Strong grades from junior year
- Finished with college visits/extensive research
- Has a final list of schools
- Done taking ACT/SAT

Student B

- Has one clear "top choice"
- Is comfortable with whatever financial aid the school can provide
- Strong grades from junior year
- Finished with college visits/extensive research
- Has a final list of schools
- Done taking ACT/SAT

Student C

- Needs a strong senior fall semester to bring grades up
- Needs to (re)test in ACT/SAT
- Has not thoroughly researched colleges
- Is not fully committed to attending the college
- Is only applying early because friends are

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS

ACT

www.act.org

Offered @ ALHS:
April 5

Late registration fee deadline is March 16th.

June 8th

Scored out of 36 points

4 sections: English, Math, Reading, Science



SAT

www.collegeboard.org

All Juniors took this earlier today!
(Scores released early April)

Have also taken multiple PSATs

Scored out of 1600 points

3 sections: Math, Reading, Writing

TEST PREP

ACT

www.act.org

What's the difference?

Click here

ACT / SAT

Score Comparison

SAT

www.collegeboard.org

- kaptest.com/act
- [Ohio Dept. of Ed.](#)
- www.act.org

ZAPS ACT TEST PREP

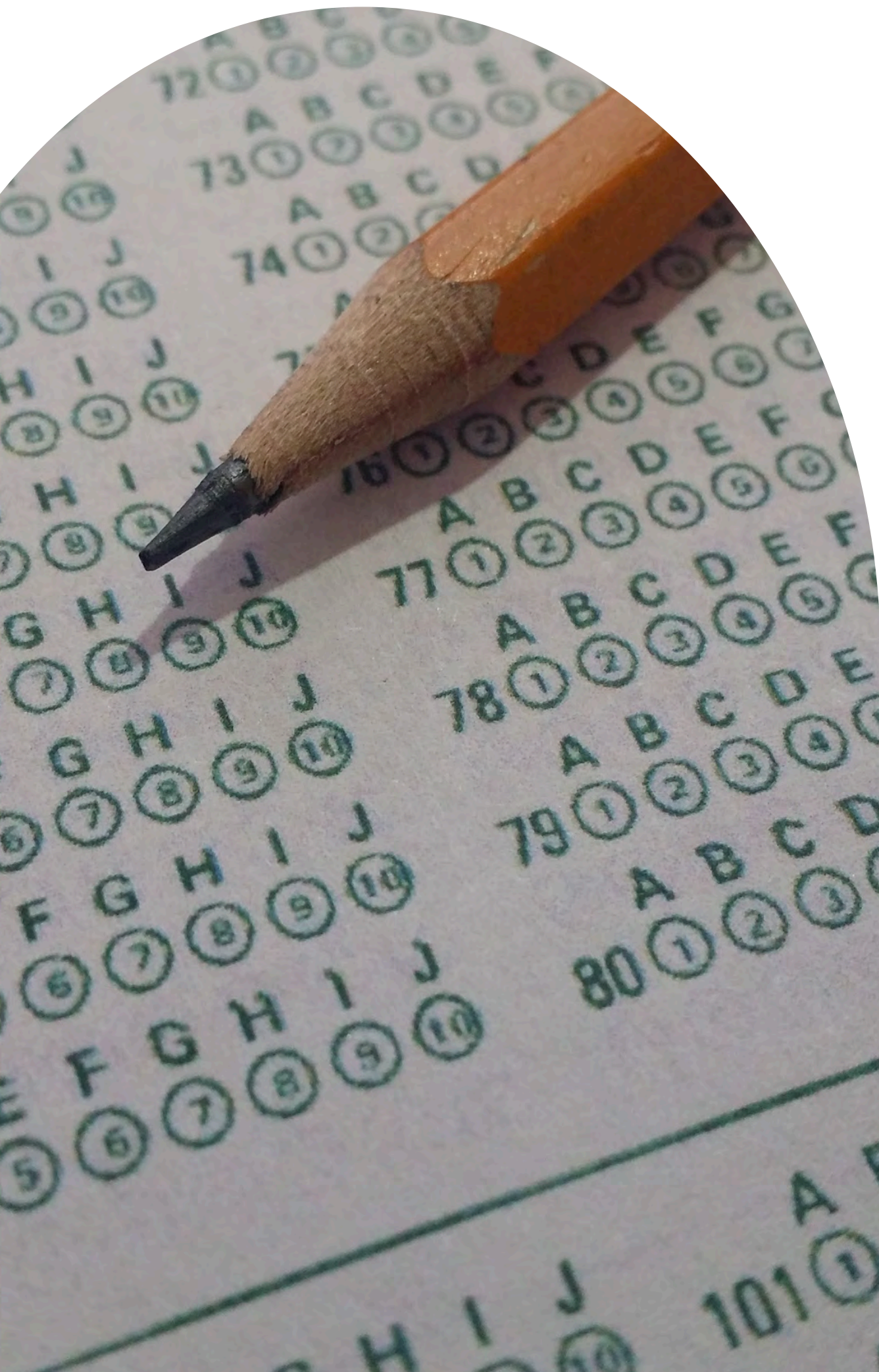
March 10 & 11

6:30pm – 9:00pm

\$110

[Click here to register](#)

- [Khan Academy](#)
- [Test prep through LCCC](#)
- [Ohio Dept. of Ed.](#)
- Practice through Bluebook app on Chromebook

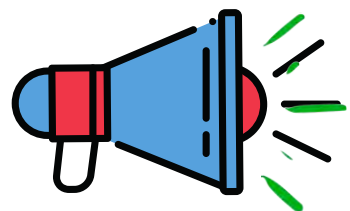


WHAT IS A "TEST OPTIONAL" COLLEGE?

- A college that **does NOT require an official ACT or SAT score to be submitted as part of the application** in order to be considered for their school
- Does not penalize student
- Holistic review
- For students who may not have the strongest test scores
- Check college websites for the most up to date information regarding test optional policies
- Please note ***Some majors may require a test score! (Engineering, Nursing, etc)

**Percentage of
colleges
attributing
considerable
importance
to factors in
admissions
decisions—
first time
freshmen
2012–2023**

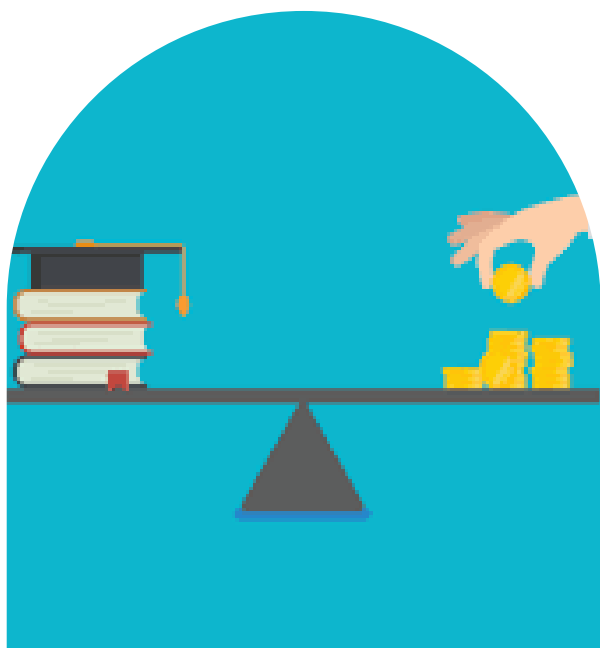
| | 2023 | 2020 – 2022 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|------|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| High school grades in college prep courses ★ | 77% | — | 73% | 71% | 77% | — | 79% | 82% | 82% |
| Total high school grades (all courses) | 74 | — | 75 | 81 | 77 | — | 60 | 52 | 50 |
| Strength of high school curriculum | 64 | — | 62 | 51 | 52 | — | 60 | 64 | 65 |
| Essay or writing sample | 19 | — | 23 | 17 | 19 | — | 22 | 22 | 20 |
| Student's interest in attending | 16 | — | 16 | 16 | 14 | — | 17 | 20 | 18 |
| Counselor recommendation | 12 | — | 15 | 11 | 15 | — | 17 | 16 | 16 |
| Teacher recommendation | 11 | — | 14 | 7 | 11 | — | 15 | 14 | 15 |
| Extracurricular activities | 7 | — | 6 | 4 | 8 | — | 6 | 10 | 7 |
| Admission test scores (ACT, SAT) ★ | 5 | — | 46 | 52 | 54 | — | 56 | 58 | 56 |



All parents/students should complete FAFSA, regardless of income
studentaid.gov

FINANCIAL AID

FAFSA will open this December
We will have a Financial Aid Night this
upcoming fall



MERIT BASED AID & COLLEGE SPECIFIC

Money given by a college
based on a student's GPA
and/or ACT/SAT scores
Check college websites
for additional \$ options



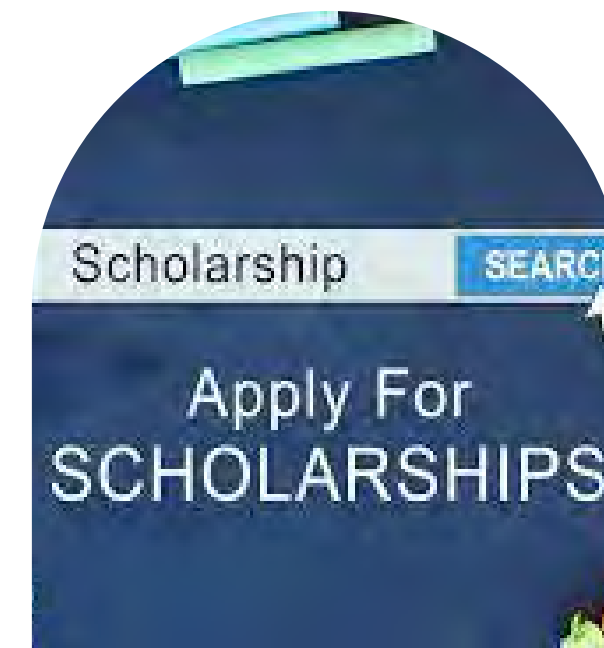
LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

A Common Scholarship
students fill out; can
apply for Avon
Lake/local
scholarships; **February
of senior year**



FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

Scholarships through
organizations your
family is already
involved with (work,
religious, volunteering,
clubs, etc)



NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Search engines;
College Board
Scholarship Matches
BigFuture Scholarships

SO... HOW AM I
SUPPOSED TO KEEP
TRACK OF ALL
THIS???

[Click here](#)
to stay organized
in your college search!

| School | College 1 | College 2 |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Basics | | |
| City, State | | |
| Distance from home via air | | |
| Distance from home via car | | |
| Student population | | |
| Public or private | | |
| Campus size | | |
| Admission counselor (name) | | |
| Deadlines | | |
| Application (Early Decision) | | |
| Application (Early Action) | | |
| Application (Regular Decision) | | |
| FAFSA/CSS (Early Decision) | | |
| FAFSA/CSS (Early Action) | | |
| FAFSA/CSS (Regular Decision) | | |
| Academics | | |
| Desired major(s) | | |
| Alternative major or double major | | |
| Alternative major or double major | | |
| Student-faculty ratio (overall) | | |
| Student-faculty ratio (my major) | | |
| Average class size (overall) | | |
| Average class size (my major) | | |
| Average admitted GPA | | |
| Average admitted SAT/ACT | | |
| Cost | | |
| Tuition and fees (per year) | | |
| Room and board (per year) | | |
| Other fees and expenses (activities fee, books, supplies, etc.) | | |

JUNIORS: TO DO LIST

Do something
this summer!



RESEARCH

Use Naviance.
Research
Colleges/Careers
that interest YOU

1

2

(RE)TAKE ACT / SAT

Registration deadlines are
~1 month in advance of
exam

3

GET ON CAMPUS

Juniors and Seniors
get 5 excused
absences each year
for college visits
(10 total)

4

BRAINSTORM REC LETTERS / ESSAY

Do your colleges require a
rec letter and essay? Think
about which teacher(s) you
will ask and what topic you
will write about. You can
create a Common App
account now & begin!

5

MEET WITH YOUR COUNSELOR

We are here for you!

6

STRIVE FOR YOUR ACADEMIC BEST!

This year counts!

JUNIORS- PLEASE COMPLETE THIS GOOGLE FORM BY MAY 1

RECOMMENDED



**We use this info to
write letters of
recommendation!**

[Scan QR code or click here](#)



**YOU DON'T HAVE TO HAVE IT ALL
FIGURED OUT RIGHT NOW...
BUT A WILLINGNESS TO BE CURIOUS
IS A MUST**

PLEASE COMPLETE SURVEY BEFORE LEAVING:



OR CLICK HERE!



THANK YOU!



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