

Senior Tips

Applying to Public or Private 4 year Colleges

- www.commonapp.org allows you to apply to specific in state & out of state colleges
- www.cfnc.org allows you to apply to any NC public or private university
- Individual school websites

Transcripts

Official transcripts will not be available until the last week of September (exact date TBD). Whatever method you are using to apply to a college, you will need to wait until the official transcripts are ready before you request them. Below is a simple chart that will help you remember how to send transcripts, recommendations, and Counselor Forms depending on the method of transmitting your applications. *Any transcript sent through CFNC will automatically have a final transcript sent at the end of the school year to the in state colleges you sent transcripts to during the school year.

If Application is through:	Transcript	Counselor Recommendation or School Report <i>(allow 10 days lead time)</i>	Teacher Recommendation <i>(allow 10 days lead time)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Common Application • Send EDU • CollegeNet 	Counselor sends electronically; student provides counselor's email	Counselor sends electronically; student provides counselor's email (brag sheet &/ or resume must be on file)	Teacher sends electronically; student provides teacher's email
CFNC (NC schools)	Student sends electronically through CFNC website	Student brings in specific form to Student Services & gives to Mrs. Howard along with brag sheet &/or resume (if not already on file)	Student takes specific form directly to the teacher along with a stamped, addressed envelope to the college with your name referenced AND indicate the due date
School website	If in NC, student sends electronically through CFNC website. If not in NC, student requests transcript through sign up sheet in Student Services.	If not in NC, see statements above AND Student specifies on the request at Student Services that the counselor has a form that should be sent along with the transcript	Student takes specific form directly to the teacher along with a stamped, addressed envelope to the college with your name referenced AND indicate the due date

*****Regularly check *****

www.wcpss.net/apexhs and the Student Services Link
for the latest updates and resources.

Don't forget about facebook, twitter, and Cougar Notes!

Community College

If you are planning to attend a community college, you will need to apply. You should do this through CFNC. There are typically no fees to apply and the only admission requirement is a high school diploma. Financial aid is available for qualifying students at all community colleges. If you do not have a qualifying SAT or ACT score, you will be required to take a placement test.

Career Information

If you are planning to begin your career directly after high school, please make an appointment with our Career Development Coordinator, Jackson Hayes in Room 240. Mr. Hayes can help you with career options, job availability, career assessments; resume writing techniques, and interview skills. In addition, CFNC offers many career building assessments.

Scholarships

Check our website, (Student information – Student Services – Resources – Scholarships/Financial Aid.) Also, check the Wake County scholarshipsplus page. A Scholarship Newsletter is always on our website & Cougar Notes – updated monthly for your convenience. Also try a Google search. Be attentive to deadlines!

College Visits

To sign up to meet with a college rep visiting Apex, go to the website- to Student Services- to College- to College Visit Calendar for the sign up genius. Signups close at 2:30 PM on the afternoon prior to a visit.