

COLLEGE APPLICATION NIGHT

Moorestown High School
Counseling Department

Application Data for Class of 2021

1,986 applications processed to
344 different colleges/universities

Top 10 # of Applications - Class of 2021:

Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Rowan College at

Burlington County

University of Delaware

Villanova

University

Drexel University

University of Maryland

Rowan University

The

College of New Jersey

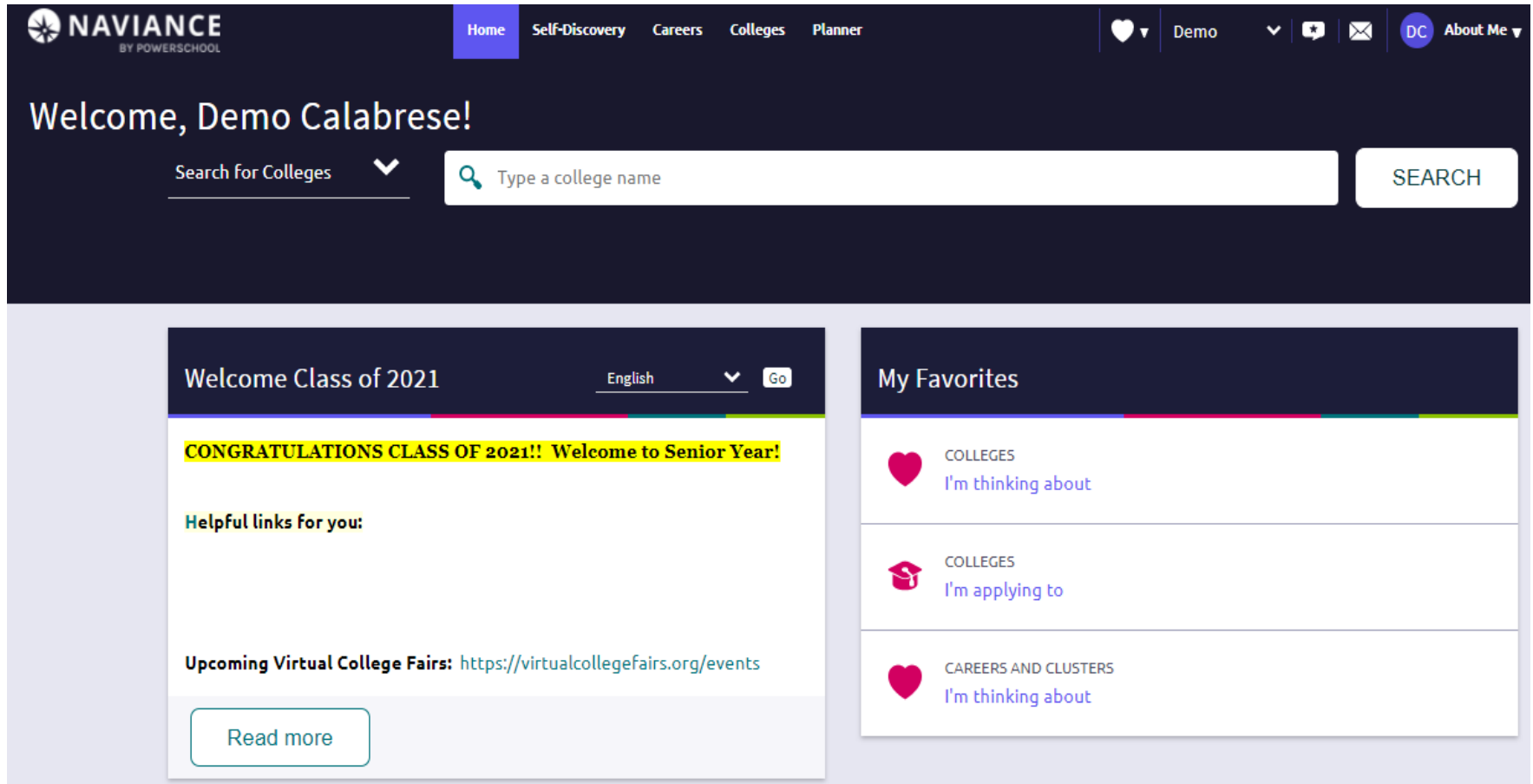
Pennsylvania State University

Temple University

What is Naviance?

- ❑ A web-based resource for students and parents/guardians that encourages and supports high school and postsecondary planning.
- ❑ Contains school-specific college admittance information for the past ten years.
- ❑ Electronically submits and documents receipt of college application materials which include:
 - Official transcript
 - Secondary school report, if required
 - MHS profile
 - Counselor letter of recommendation

Naviance Student Homepage



The screenshot shows the Naviance Student Homepage. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the Naviance logo (a compass rose) and the text "NAVIANCE BY POWERSCHOOL". To the right of the logo are navigation links: "Home" (highlighted in purple), "Self-Discovery", "Careers", "Colleges", and "Planner". Further right are icons for a heart, a dropdown arrow, a plus sign, an envelope, and a profile icon labeled "DC" with the text "About Me" and a dropdown arrow.

Below the header, the main content area has a dark blue background. It starts with a welcome message: "Welcome, Demo Calabrese!". Below this is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search for Colleges" and a dropdown arrow. To the right of the search bar is a white input field with a magnifying glass icon and the placeholder text "Type a college name". To the right of the input field is a white button labeled "SEARCH".

Below the search bar, there are two main sections. The left section is titled "Welcome Class of 2021" and has a language dropdown set to "English" and a "Go" button. Below the title is a yellow banner with the text "CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2021!! Welcome to Senior Year!". Below the banner is the text "Helpful links for you:". Below that is the text "Upcoming Virtual College Fairs: <https://virtualcollegefairs.org/events>". At the bottom of this section is a button labeled "Read more".

The right section is titled "My Favorites" and contains three items. Each item has a heart icon, a category name, and a status. The first item has a heart icon, the category "COLLEGES", and the status "I'm thinking about". The second item has a graduation cap icon, the category "COLLEGES", and the status "I'm applying to". The third item has a heart icon, the category "CAREERS AND CLUSTERS", and the status "I'm thinking about".

Naviance Student website:

<https://student.naviance.com/moorestown>

College Admissions Visits

The screenshot shows the Naviance Student website interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Self-Discovery, Careers, Colleges (highlighted), and Planner. On the right, there are icons for a heart, Demo, a dropdown arrow, a chat bubble, an envelope, a user profile (DC), About Me, and a CLOSE DEMO button. The main content area is divided into two sections. On the left, under 'Quick Links', there are 'MORE SEARCH OPTIONS' including SuperMatch®, Advanced college search, and College lookup, followed by 'MY COLLEGES' with Upcoming college events, Colleges match, and Colleges Visits (which is underlined). On the right, the 'College Visits' section features a search bar and a list of four visits. Each visit entry includes the date and time in a teal box, the institution name, the visit type, and buttons for 'Register Now' and 'View Details'. The visits are: United States Navy (In-Person, Mon 20, 02:00PM), Boston University (Virtual Meeting, Mon 20, 02:00PM), High Point University (Star Center; Virtual Visit Link, Mon 20, 03:00PM), and Monmouth University (Virtual Meeting, Tue 21, 02:00PM). A 'Show Me How' icon is located at the bottom right of the visits list.

Date	Time	Institution	Visit Type	Register Now	View Details
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SEPTEMBER Mon 20	02:00PM	Boston University	Virtual Meeting	Register Now	View Details
SEPTEMBER Mon 20	03:00PM	High Point University	Star Center; Virtual Visit Link	Register Now	View Details
SEPTEMBER Tue 21	02:00PM	Monmouth University	Virtual Meeting	Register Now	View Details

- ❑ College admissions visits are posted in the “Colleges” tab of Naviance Student.
 - ❑ In-person visits at 2:00pm in the STAR Center (Guidance Office)
 - ❑ Virtual visits at 3:00pm
- ❑ Be sure to register for college admissions visits in your Naviance Student account!

The Application Process

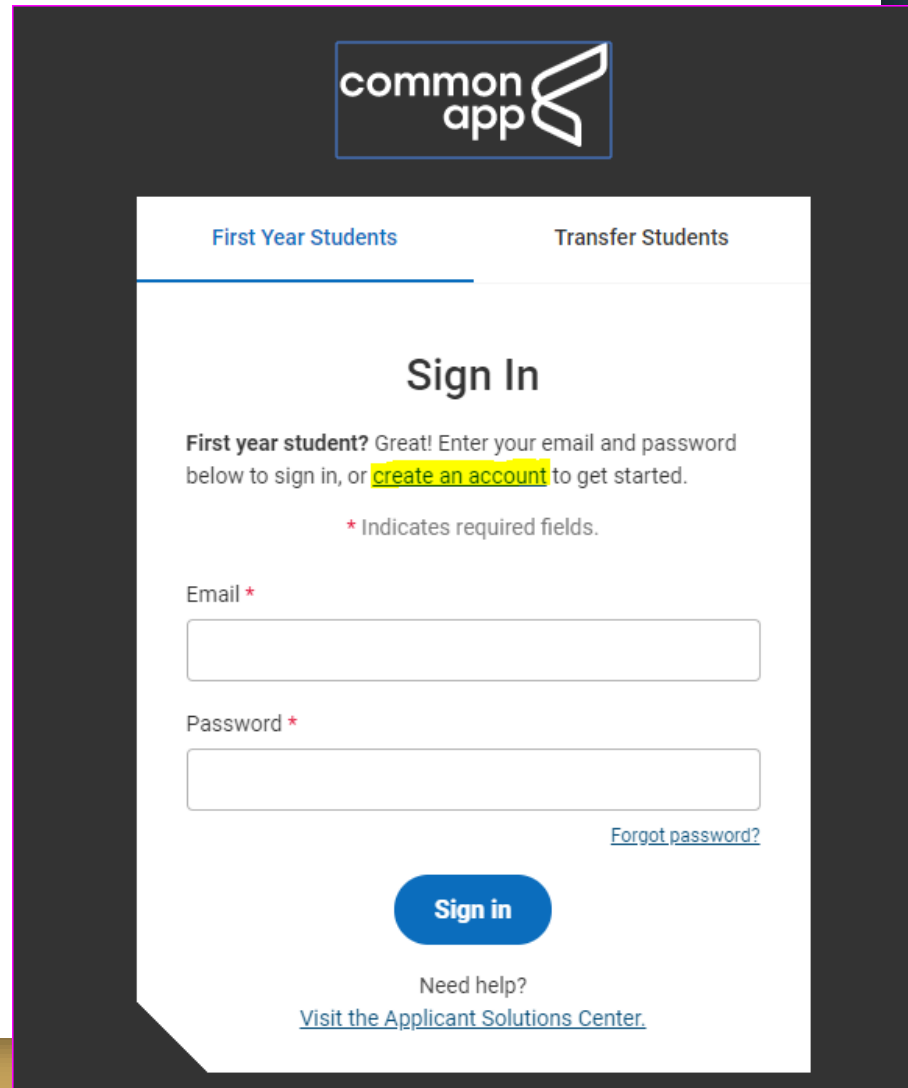
All seniors are familiar with accessing Naviance. To begin applying to colleges, seniors should proceed with the following:

- 1. Create** an account at commonapp.org, coalitionforcollegeaccess.org, and/or begin the application on the college's website (if applicable)
- 1. Complete application** including the FERPA Release Authorization. It is in the best interest of the student to waive their right to access recommendations that are submitted on their behalf.

Common Application Website

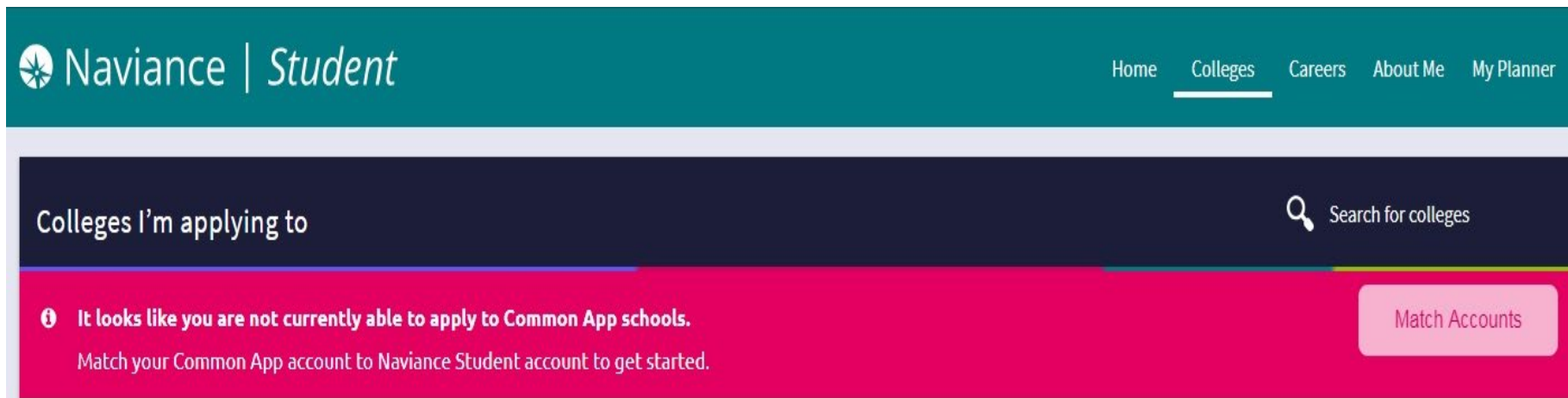
www.commonapp.org

- Each year, more than one million students - a third of whom are first generation - apply to college, research financial aid and scholarships, and connect to college counseling resources through Common App.
- The Common App is accepted by over 900 colleges & universities.
- Many MHS students apply to several colleges and universities via the Common App.

A screenshot of the Common App website's sign-in page. At the top, the Common App logo is displayed. Below it, there are two tabs: "First Year Students" (which is selected) and "Transfer Students". The main heading is "Sign In". Below this, a message reads: "First year student? Great! Enter your email and password below to sign in, or [create an account](#) to get started." A note below states: "* Indicates required fields." There are two input fields: "Email *" and "Password *". Below the password field is a link that says "Forgot password?". At the bottom, there is a blue "Sign in" button. Below the button, it says "Need help?" followed by a link: "Visit the Applicant Solutions Center."

Common Application Account Matching in Naviance Student



- If a student is applying to any colleges or universities via the Common Application, the student must complete the Common Application account matching process in Naviance Student.
- Students can complete the the matching process under the "Colleges I'm Applying To" tab:



Documents Sent from School Counselor via Naviance





- The school counselors at MHS are able to submit the following documents to colleges and universities via Naviance:
 - Official Transcript
 - Secondary School Report, if required
 - MHS School Profile
 - Counselor Letter of Recommendation
- **It is imperative for the student's "Colleges I'm Applying To" list to be accurate in Naviance Student.**
- It is the student's responsibility to submit to their counselor a signed **Teacher & Counselor Recommendation Waiver and Transcript Release Form** with a list of prospective colleges and include deadlines.
 - Forms must be submitted 15 school days in advance of the application deadline.

- ☐ **Finalize** “Colleges I’m Applying To” list
- ☐ Please **specify** submission type (Common App, Direct to Institution, etc.)
- ☐ **Specify** application type (Early Action, Early Decision, Rolling Admissions, Priority, etc.)

Colleges I'm applying to							Search for
							Application Milestones
							* = extended profile available
College	Type	Deadline		Transcripts	Office materials	Submission Type i	Application
American University	ED	Early Decision	November 15	requested	Pending		Submitted ▼
Boston College	RD	Regular Decision	January 1	requested	Pending		Submitted ▼

□ **Apply** to colleges and then under “Colleges I’m Applying To” click “Edit.”



The College of New Jersey	RD	Regular Decision	-	N/A	no request	Pending		Unknown ▼	 EDIT
Rowan University	RD	Regular Decision	March 1	N/A	no request	Pending		Unknown ▼	 EDIT
Rutgers University-	EA	Early	November	N/A	requested	Pending		Submitted ▼	 EDIT

- ❑ Once you click “Edit,” you have the option to check “I’ve submitted my application,” as well as change app type, results, interests, etc.

Loyola University Maryland (MD)

Have you submitted your application?

☐ I've submitted my application

I'll submit my application

☒ Via Common App

College Deadline

01/15/2019

Counselor Override

Not Applicable

App type

Regular Decision



Result

Unknown



Waitlisted/Deferred

N/A



Interest

N/A



Format

N/A



Teacher Letters of Recommendation

- **Request** letters of recommendation from your teachers at least 15 school days in advance of application deadline.
- Teachers at Moorestown High School have the option to send their recommendation letters via postal mail, electronically via Naviance, or email. It is up to the teacher's discretion.
 - *Via postal mail:* Please provide stamped, addressed envelopes and any supplemental forms (e.g. Common Application Teacher Evaluation) required to the teachers for your letters of recommendation.
 - *Via Naviance:* Students need to request teachers LOR's via Naviance and specify which teachers are sending letters to each school. There are some colleges and universities that only accept one teacher letter of recommendation. No Common Application Teacher Evaluation form is needed - this is a step the teacher will complete in Naviance.
 - *Via email:* It is the student's responsibility to identify how each college would prefer to receive their letters if submitted via email: admissions office email, admissions rep email, etc.
- Be sure to **send *Thank You* notes** to those who wrote you a recommendation.

Submitting SAT/ACT Scores

- ❑ It is the student's responsibility to submit their SAT/ACT scores through the testing agency (if required).
 - ❑ SAT: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/sending-scores>
 - ❑ ACT: <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/scores/sending-your-scores.html>
- ❑ There are a number of colleges and universities that are “**Test Optional**” for the Fall 2022 admissions cycle. It is the student's responsibility to review the testing policies of their prospective colleges and universities.

Self - Reported Academic Record

- Some colleges require applicants to self-report their transcript. This is referred to as a **Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR)**.
- **Examples of colleges that request an SRAR:**
 - Rutgers University
 - Pennsylvania State University
 - University of Pittsburgh
 - University of Delaware
- Students can access an unofficial copy of their transcript in the Genesis Parent Portal.

Important Notes

- **Be mindful of deadlines.** It is important for students to ensure that their applications and supplemental application materials are submitted by the college's application deadline.
- **Check applicant portal.** Most colleges and universities have an applicant portal. Students typically receive an email with their login information for the applicant portal after they have successfully submitted the application.
- **Check email regularly.** Admissions representatives may contact students via email if their application file is incomplete.
- **Review each college's application checklist.** For example, there are colleges and universities that do not consider letters of recommendation in their admissions process (i.e. Rutgers University and Virginia Tech).
- **Update Naviance account with admission decisions.**

Articles and Resources

“How to Help a Teenager Be College-Ready,” NYT

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/26/well/how-to-help-a-teenager-be-college-ready.html>

MHS Students have free access to NYT via their school Google Account

Resilience Consortium

<https://resilienceconsortium.bsc.harvard.edu/resources>

QUESTIONS?