College - How to get started

1. Pick 3-5 colleges if possible

Dream College

 Very happy with

Safe pick – CTC No SAT, ACT. TSI entrance exam will be available at HHHS in the spring-free

1. Know due dates for college applications

Apply early – don’t wait for SAT/ACT scores

Apply Texas – Opens August 1st

Rolling Admission

 Colleges will 3 things from you

Application, SAT/ACT scores, Transcript – no need to send all at the same time

1. Sign up for SAT/ACT if required – see attach for dates

Free or reduce lunch-fee waiver only two for all of high school

Include the HHHS testing code – 443118

Include which colleges you want the scores to go to before taking the test, if you ask the scores to be sent after there will be a cost

1. Transcript

Student must use Parchment to request transcript for colleges – see handout

1. Letter of Recommendation

Setup Academic Resume – see attach

Give person 2 weeks notice, ask for multiple copies, pick someone who knows you well and can site experiences or personal adversity you have gone through

These letters can be used for both college and scholarship applications.

Scholarship information on the back.

Scholarships

Sign up for Scholarship emails on the guidance webpage

 Apply, apply, apply – lost 5 scholarships last year for students not applying

 Watch the deadlines – plan backwards

 How to apply for transcript for scholarships – see attach

 Must give the registrar office 7 days to process your transcript request

 Top 5 scholarship essays

 Describe your career goals or your education plan

 Why you should be considered for a scholarship.

 Why I am applying for this scholarship?

 What major event in your life influenced who you are today?

Upon high school graduation, how do you plan to contribute back to your community?