## **Letter of Recommendation Request for College Application**

 Ask your recommender in person if they would be willing to write you a letter of recommendation.

Things to consider before asking for a letter:

- a. Does the college require a letter of recommendation?
- b. How well does this recommender know you? Bonus if they teach a subject related to your potential major or if it was a rigorous course.
- c. When do you need your letter of recommendation? (Your recommender will need at least 2-3 weeks to write a good letter).
- 2) Complete the <u>Letter of Recommendation Student Information Sheet</u> and **share** with your recommender (INCLUDING your counselor if you need a counselor rec.)
  - Are you applying through the Common App?
    - \* If your teacher is at BHS, request in Scoir.
    - \* If you are asking a teacher who does not work at Blaine High School, you will request them as an "Other Recommender" in the common app. See here.
- 3) Request the Letter in Scoir
  - a) Log into your Scoir account.
  - b) Go to the My Colleges page.



 c) Click Application Documents button to open the Application Documents window and then click the Request a Recommendation button.





- d) Search for your teacher recommender by tying their last name in the 'Teacher' box.
  - If the person you are requesting to write a recommendation for you is not in your high school as staff, they will not show up as an option and you will need to contact your Counselor or Career & College Specialist.
- e) Specify whether or not you'd like the recommendation to be for a specific college.\*We recommend general recommendations as they can be sent to multiple colleges.\*
- f) Compose the request by editing the Subject and Message. Once finished, click
  Send.
- 4) Follow-up with your recommender to be sure they have received your Letter of Rec google form and the request in Scoir.
- 5) Thank your recommender. This can be done by email or a handwritten note.

