

**SENECA HIGH SCHOOL
COUNSELING CENTER**

NJ STATE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS REVIEW

NAME _____

DATE _____

Students must take the NJGPA in 11th grade.

State mandated testing: LAL: _____ Math: _____

Courses needed to complete graduation course requirements: English 4, World History or World Cultures,

Physical Education, Health 4 _____

	Credits	Academic Units
Credits through 11th grade		
Senior Year (Projected)		
Total Credits (Projected)		

COMMENTS: _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

COUNSELOR SIGNATURE _____

PRESENT POST-HIGH SCHOOL PLANS

Employment _____ College _____ 2 year _____ 4 year _____

Other Training _____ Military _____

Schools under consideration at this time:

SAFE: _____

TARGET: _____; Other: _____

College Letters of Recommendation: Teacher #1 _____ Teacher #2 _____

Testing: SAT-Completed/still testing: _____; ACT-Completed/still testing: _____

Career Area of Interest _____

Experience/Event you want to share _____

Important Dates

- **Senior Parent College Application Night** September 17th at 6:00 pm - Auditorium
- **RCBC Informational meeting**-TBD
- **Financial Aid Night**- October 15th - 6:00 pm Auditorium
- [RCBC CAP](#) October, online registration **(October)**
- [Rowan University CAP](#) registration **(October)**
- Visit the [Seneca counseling website](#) for important news & updates

RCBC Spring Ahead

- **October** - Informational meeting with RCBC coordinator
- **October** - Apply to RCBC
- **January** - Transcript request form due to school registrar, Mrs. Dzwil
- **February** - Placement test
- **Spring 2025** - visit to RCBC

SCOIR

- SCOIR-College Search, Career Exploration, Scholarships
- email: studentID@irstudents.org password: **student creates password**
- College Search-Create a list based on admission difficulty, location, athletics, majors, etc.
- Build a resume (found in About Me) to be used in college applications.
- My personality Career Inventory matches careers to your personality.
- Add colleges to colleges I am applying to.

NCAA

- If you are an athlete interested in Division I or Division II sports, you must complete the NCAA eligibility form at <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/> **\$100 to register**
- After you complete the online form, complete this transcript request form <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdvlU6XC-Fgje-4f1fYgjfEe0mcuBhlOQdJGfFYeW54NuVcsA/viewform>
- Send official SAT or ACT scores electronically from the testing agency to the NCAA.

SAT's

- Register online: www.collegeboard.org **\$68.00**
- A photo of passport quality (face front) is required on the registration ticket. The photo will be downloaded and printed on the admission ticket.
- You must send official SAT scores to colleges you are applying to electronically at www.collegeboard.org
- Please allow up to 2 weeks for the SAT scores to arrive at your college.

ACT's

- Register online: www.actstudent.org **\$68 with out writing \$25.00 to add writing**
- A photo of passport quality (face front) is required on the registration ticket. The photo will be downloaded and printed on the admission ticket.
- You must send official ACT scores to colleges electronically at www.actstudent.org
- Please allow up to 2 weeks for the ACT scores to arrive at your college.

AP Scores

- Request scores from College Board to be sent to colleges www.collegeboard.org

Rowan College Burlington County & Rowan University CAP classes

- Request a transcript from [RCBC to be sent to colleges](#).
- You can also request an [electronic transcript](#) to be sent for a small fee.
- For any language CAP credits from [Rowan University](#), you must log in to your Banner account.

Scholarships

- Check out the [Seneca Scholarship](#) page.
- Check local and national scholarships:
- Common Application: in profile section, check "yes", non-college specific affiliated scholarships
- Fill out [transcript request form](#) to send transcripts for scholarships.

Financial Aid

- Complete FAFSA (*Free Application for Federal Student Aid*) beginning October 1st
- Visit [Financial Aid website](#).
- Create an account and request a password for yourself & parent/guardian
- Check individual state & college deadlines for FAFSA.
- Complete your [CSS Profile](#)- specific to the university.
- [HESAA](#)- great financial aid resource.

College Applications & Transcripts:

How Many Schools Should I Apply to?

- Reach 1-2, Good Match 2-3, Safe 1-2
- Think about major, location, size, setting (rural/urban/suburban), extracurricular activities, etc.
- Realistic evaluation of each college's admission requirements (grades, standardized test scores, required high school courses).
- Check out: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search> (Great tool for searching colleges)

Application Types

- **Early decision** is a contract between you and the college. You can only apply to 1 school early decision. If you are accepted, you MUST attend. This is a legally BINDING contract!
- **Early action** is more flexible. You do not have to commit to the college if you are accepted. You can apply to multiple schools. Non-binding contract. These dates are early, check your colleges for deadlines! Remember you should request your transcript 2 weeks before the deadline.
- **Rolling Admission**-Applications are evaluated as they are received. Once the college has reached their deadline students are waitlisted or not accepted. Don't delay!
- **Regular Decision**- Decisions are made once ALL applications have been received by deadline.
- **Priority/VIP**-Sent to you by the college. Sometimes no application fee or shorter notification time.
- **Self-Report**- **Does not** need a high school transcript or recommendation letters. You **must** self-report your grades electronically on the college website. They will only need a final transcript in June if you plan to attend.

Teacher Recommendation Letters

- Add at least 1 school in "colleges I am applying to"
- Ask early and politely. Give at least two weeks' notice.
- Check with college for maximum number of letters of recommendation
- Formally request the letter of recommendation in Naviance after you asked the teacher and they said, "Yes." (Students must add the schools they are applying to prior).
- Complete Teacher and Counselor "Brag Sheet" under [My Surveys](#)

- Students will not be permitted to see the letter. You will need to waive your right to see the letter on the common application. **Check SCOIR to see when letters are completed.**
- Counselors will automatically write a letter. You do not have to ask your counselor to write a letter.

Ways to Apply

- Online-Visit the college website & apply using the college's online application
- Common Application- www.commonapp.org
 - Fill out once for multiple schools
 - After completing the "education" section of common app., sign the FERPA page and then Match in Naviance found in "colleges I am applying to"
 - Be careful-Some schools have online supplemental forms as well & additional essays
- Apply with SCOIR- Click on "Start App" in the My Colleges tab
- If using a **Priority or Free application**, supporting documents will not be sent electronically through SCOIR. They will need to be printed and mailed, this may increase wait time at the college's end.

The Application & Transcript Process

- Complete the application online on college website or on Common App website.
 - Submit application and pay fees.
- ***Request a transcript for each individual college via SCOIR***
- The Counselor will complete and send requested transcripts, school profile, and letters of recommendation electronically. **Check SCOIR to make sure your teachers have completed their recommendation letters.**

Mid-Year & Final Transcripts

- We do NOT automatically send mid-year.
- Students must submit a mid-year grade request through Naviance at the end of the 1st semester.
- All students will meet with their counselor for the final college decision.
- Registrar will send the final transcript approximately 2 weeks after graduation.

Career/Technical Education

- [BCIT's Adult Program](#)
- [Atlantic Cape Community College](#)
- [Rizzieri Aveda School](#)
- [Penn Co Tech](#)