

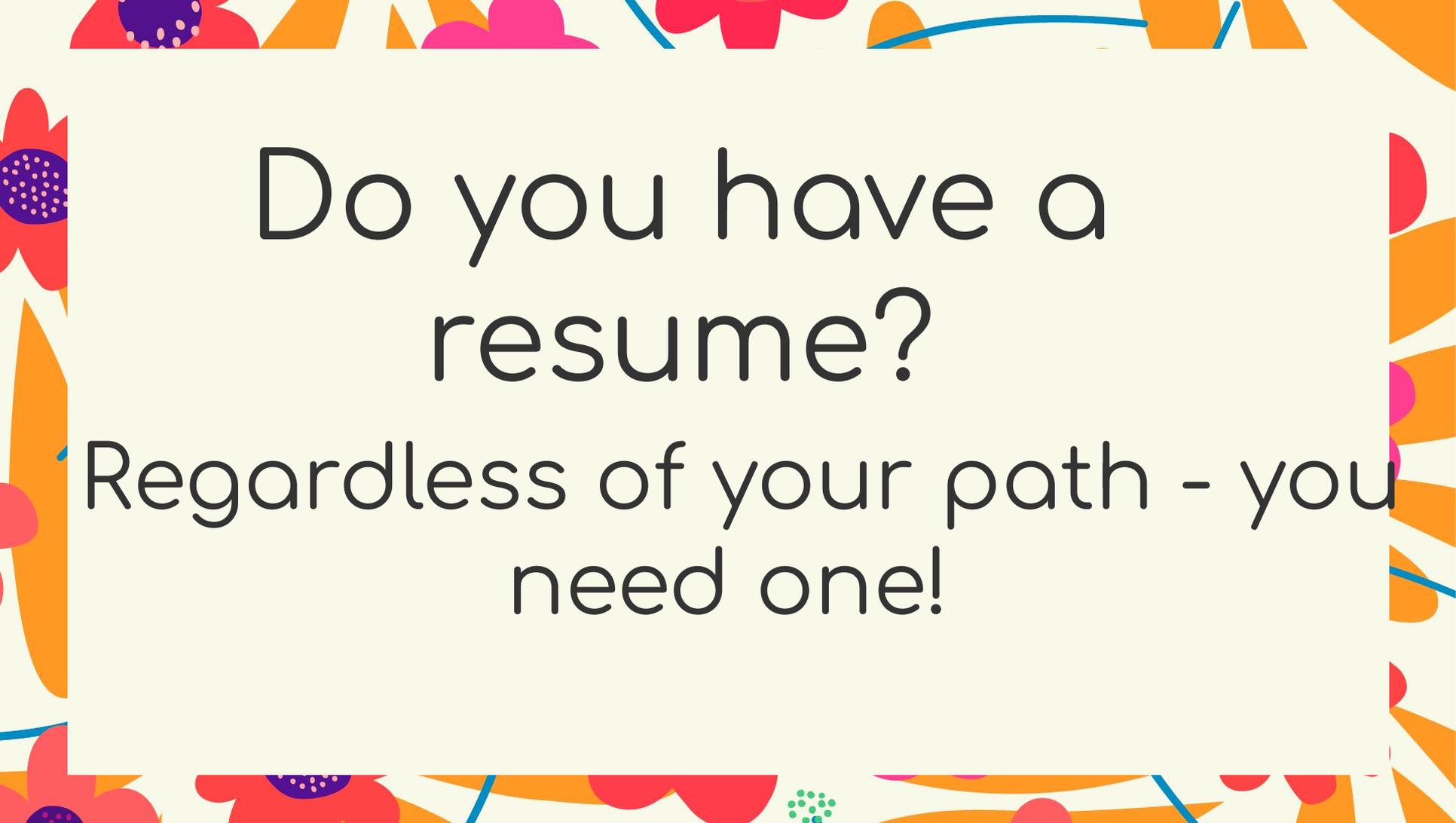
Senior Year!

It's going to fly!

# Where will your path take you?

- 4 year college
- 2 year college
- Gap Year
- Employment
- Military





Do you have a  
resume?

Regardless of your path - you  
need one!

# Where can I find help to make a resume?

- Your [Xello account](#) has a Resume Builder. (some username/password as your MHS accounts)
- Other free sites for resume building:
  - [High School Student Resume Examples & Templates \(2024\)](#)
  - [High School Resumes Resume Builder For High School Students](#)
  - [Best High School Student Resume Examples For 2024 \(Template & Guide\)](#)

# College Information on the MHS Website

## Post High School Planning

Our hope is for every student to take advantage of the resources at hand to explore college and post-secondary options. Our goal is for every student to learn about themselves and to become college and/or career ready by the time they graduate. Below are some resources that we hope you will find helpful in the process.

### College Resource Center

[ACT & SAT Information](#)

[College Comparison Worksheet](#)

[College Visits](#)

[Common App Deadlines, Fees and Requirements \(updated 03.05.21\)](#)

[MHS College Prep Packet for Student Athletes](#)

[Planning Timeline](#)

[Procedure for Applying to 4-year and 2-year Colleges](#)

[Procedures for Applying through the Common Application](#)

[Procedures for Applying to Madison College](#)

[School Counselor Letter of Recommendation Form](#)

[Finding a College](#)

### Scholarships

[Scholarships](#)

### Other Opportunities

[Career/Work](#)

[Military Enlistment](#)

[Summer Opportunities](#)

### Related Links

[Events & Presentations](#)

[Financial Aid](#)

[Transcripts](#)

From the  
Menu, under  
Student  
Services,  
select

[Post High  
School  
Planning +](#)

# The College Application Timeline

August 1: College applications go live

Sept 1: Can submit common app, coalition, UW systems and other college applications

Sept 1: All UW systems (except UW Madison) start reviewing applications.

Oct 1: FAFSA Application goes live

Nov. 1: Deadline for most Early Action and Early Decision applications

Tues, Oct 18, 2025 (recommendation letter requests 2-4 weeks prior to

this deadline): Last day to request the common app school report to your counselor. Seniors have a long weekend prior to deadlines, but MHS staff are not working on Oct. 30-31 so plan accordingly!

# College Application Links and Tutorials

[UW System Schools Application and Tutorial Link](#)  
[Universities of Wisconsin Application](#)  
[UW HELP Viewbook](#)

[Common Application & Common App Tutorial Link](#)  
[Common App](#)  
[Application guide for first-year students](#)  
[Getting Started - AXS Companion](#)

[Coalition Application & Coalition App Tutorial](#)  
[Coalition for College](#)  
[Apply to Coalition member schools on Scoir](#)



# UW Systems Application Fees

No application fee for up to 3 UW System Schools outside the following:

UW-Eau Claire - \$25

UW-La Crosse - \$25

UW-Madison - \$80 + CSS \$25 = \$105

List of ALL Colleges with No application fee:

[2026 Best Colleges with No Application Fee - Niche](#)

# MHS Transcripts

1. Follow the instructions on the hand-out you received at the senior class meeting (links below).

[Procedure for Applying to 4-year and 2-year Colleges](#)

[Procedures for Applying through the Common Application](#)

[Procedures for Applying to Madison College](#)

2. If you are applying to colleges that are NOT within the Common Application, you must use [Parchment](#) to request a transcript

# Teacher Recommendations

1. Check the college admissions page to see if you need one
2. Next step is to ASK a teacher/counselor/staff member if they would be willing to write a recommendation for you!
  - a. Reach out to that staff member (email/in-person) PRIOR to inviting them into your Common App.
3. Students **“Invite”** Recommenders (teachers/counselors) to their application OR provide them with an email address to submit the letter to the college/university.
  - a. UW Systems Recommendation Process (other than UW Madison)
    - i. [Letter of Recommendation for Undergraduate Admission Form](#)
4. Allow teachers/counselors at least **2-4 weeks** to write a recommendation
5. Remember a thank you card!! This is not a job requirement - they are doing this because they care about you!!!

# ACT, SAT, AP Scores

Official test and AP scores must be sent directly from the test site. MHS CANNOT send them!

## General Guidelines to send colleges AP and Standardized Test Scores:

1. For AP Scores: [View Your AP Scores – AP Students | College Board](#)
2. For ACT Score: [ACT](#)
3. For SAT Scores: [The SAT – SAT Suite | College Board](#)
4. Please check with your colleges to determine the deadlines for test dates to be sent and if AP scores are required for admissions (versus orientation once admitted)
5. Many colleges continue to be test-optional - make sure you are researching which schools this still includes.

# Direct Admit Wisconsin

## What is it?

A program through the Universities of Wisconsin to proactively offer admissions to qualifying high school students between their junior and senior years of high school.

Direct Admit **does not** require a traditional application for admissions. Students offered direct admission are required to fill out the Direct Admit Form.

### *Important Links:*

Direct Admit Wisconsin Program Website: <https://www.wisconsin.edu/direct-admissions/>

Direct Admit Form: [www.apply.wisconsin.edu/direct-admit](http://www.apply.wisconsin.edu/direct-admit)

Questions/Tech assistance for Direct Admit Form: Contact UW HELP at [apply@wisconsin.edu](mailto:apply@wisconsin.edu) or (800)442-6459

# Scholarships

MHS Website for Scholarships:

[Scholarship overview](#)



Go to the MHS website for the list of scholarships:

[General Scholarship Opportunities | Middleton High School](#)

Senior Local Scholarship (one application for approximately 90 different scholarships) will be sent to all seniors in February.

# Madison College Application/Acceptance Dates

- Application sessions to help you through the application process during ASR.
  - Look for email communication and check the MHS website for workshop dates
- Students need their Social Security number to complete the application
- **No application fee!**
- MHS provides a copy of your transcript and ACT score report.
- In the spring (April/May) Madison College returns to help students register for their first semester college courses.

# MATC Visits to MHS 1st Semester

## Semester 1 (Mondays)

October 6 – B Day

October 20 – A Day

November 17 – B Day

December 15 – A Day

10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Room 2101 B in the NLMC

# Virtual College Fair & FAFSA Support Opportunities

- Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) is offering in person on October 2, 9-11 am at Sun Prairie WEST High School
  - Nearly 100 colleges, universities, military branches & specialty schools expected to participate
  - Visit Wisconsin Education Fairs – Wisconsin Education Fairs to register

## COLLEGE GOAL WISCONSIN

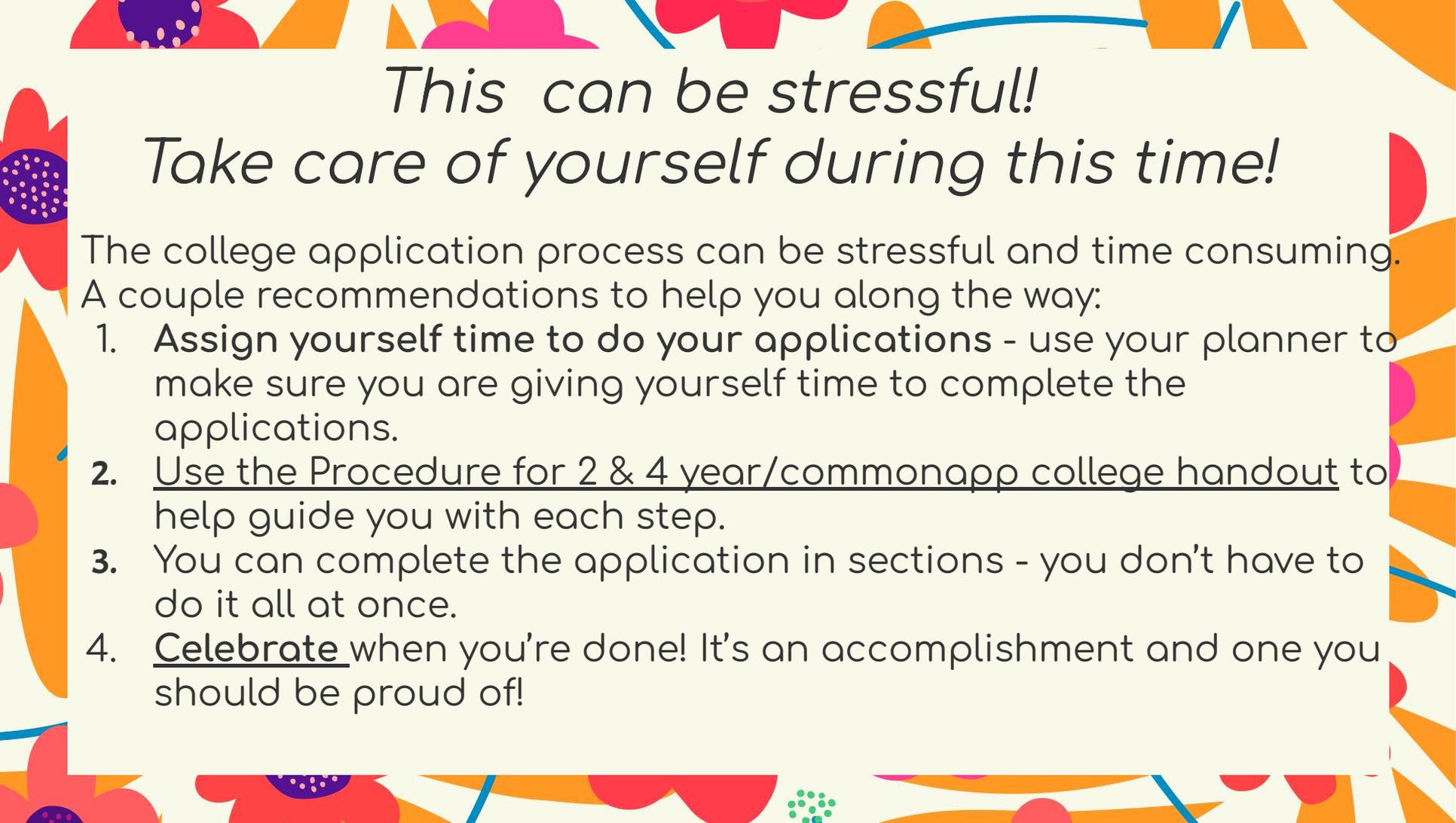
- FAFSA completion events will be published in early October.
  - For more information: <http://collegegoalwi.org/>

# Financial Support

- All the required materials for college applications are not cheap!
- If you are currently receiving financial support through the school, you qualify for financial assistance for college applications and transcripts.
- We do not want the financial obligations to be a burden or reason you do not apply! Please talk with your counselor about how we can support you.

# What's next?

- Complete your college applications.
- Do you need to meet with your Counselor?
  - Make an appointment on the MHS website or request one at your student support center.
  - The meeting is for **STUDENTS!** Parents/guardians are a support, but the senior meetings are for you!
  - If you require a letter of recommendation from teachers or your counselor, you need to create a list of high school activities (work, sports, clubs, music, service, camps, accomplishments, etc) And complete this form: [School Counselor Recommendation Form](#)
  - Checking your emails daily for MHS information, college information and next steps! This is how it will be in college as well - better to start the habit now.
- Use your ASR time to work on your applications! Make sure you let others read your application/essays prior to submitting them.



# *This can be stressful!*

## *Take care of yourself during this time!*

The college application process can be stressful and time consuming. A couple recommendations to help you along the way:

1. **Assign yourself time to do your applications** - use your planner to make sure you are giving yourself time to complete the applications.
2. Use the Procedure for 2 & 4 year/commonapp college handout to help guide you with each step.
3. You can complete the application in sections - you don't have to do it all at once.
4. Celebrate when you're done! It's an accomplishment and one you should be proud of!