Applying to College: R U Ready?

When you apply for admission to a college, you may need to pull a lot of pieces together:

- Complete the college’s application form
- Request your high school transcript
- Pay the application fee
- To which type of school are you applying?
- Mail application (or complete online)

2-year college:
- Submit your ACT or SAT scores
- Request letters of recommendation
- Is an application essay required?
  - YES Write application essay
  - NO Complete Application

4-year college:
- Submit your ACT or SAT scores
- Request letters of recommendation
- Is an application essay required?
  - YES Write application essay
  - NO Complete Application

Does the school require an interview?
  - YES Schedule and go to interview
  - NO

High School Transcript: You will need to send a copy of your high school transcript to each college. Transcripts can be requested through your high school counselor.

Application Fee: You may have to pay an application fee. If you can’t afford it, talk with the admissions counselor at the college to which you are applying. They may be able to waive the fee.

College Admissions Tests: You will probably need to take the ACT or SAT and have the scores sent to each school. Talk with your school counselor to learn about test dates and how to sign up for the test.

Letters of Recommendation: These letters are written by adults who know you and help show what you’ve accomplished, what kind of potential you have and why the person writing the letter believes you should be admitted to the college.

Application Essay: This essay is a way to let a college know the real you. If the college doesn’t give you a topic, you get to choose your own.

You’re Finished!

After you are accepted, most two-year schools will require you to take placement tests to help the college place you in classes that match your skill level.

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