

# JUNIOR ADVISORY SEMINAR #3

Avon High School Counseling Department  
April, 2021



# Topics Today



- ▶ Letters of Recommendation
- ▶ School Counselor Letter
- ▶ External Recommendation

# Letters of Recommendation

May 1st

Official start date for students to ask teachers for letters of recommendation

# TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Provide insight into a student's academic character
- Expand on current and past successes and challenges
- Understand a student's personal qualities and potential contributions in a college classroom
- Illustrate how a student matches with an institution's culture
- Shed light on aspects not seen elsewhere, including qualitative skills

# Best teacher letters come from teachers who:

- You may need 2 letters of recommendation (from different disciplines) depending on the colleges you are applying to.
- Know you well (academically)
- Can provide anecdotes of academic growth
- Can speak to work ethic and self-advocacy
- Can provide insights into the student's potential in a college classroom environment

# TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Contact your teachers via email or google hangout and ask them if they would be willing to write you a letter of recommendation.

- AFTER you speak to the teacher, and they agree to write a letter for you
- Follow [these directions](#) to upload your request in Naviance. If you do not add the request in Naviance, the teacher will not be able to upload anything for you.

AHS Recommendation Requests  
Do Not Go Into Common APP!!!

Naviance only!!!!

# Naviance Directions

Student

HomeCollegesCareersAbout MeMy Planner

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Colleges

Type a college name

SEARCH

ade Welcome

COLLEGE/CAREER READINESS CALENDAR: JUNIOR CLASS OF 2022!

ase visit our website for more information and updates!

ps://www.avon.k12.ct.us/ahs-home/school-counseling

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My Favorites

COLLEGES

I'm thinking about

COLLEGES

I'm applying to

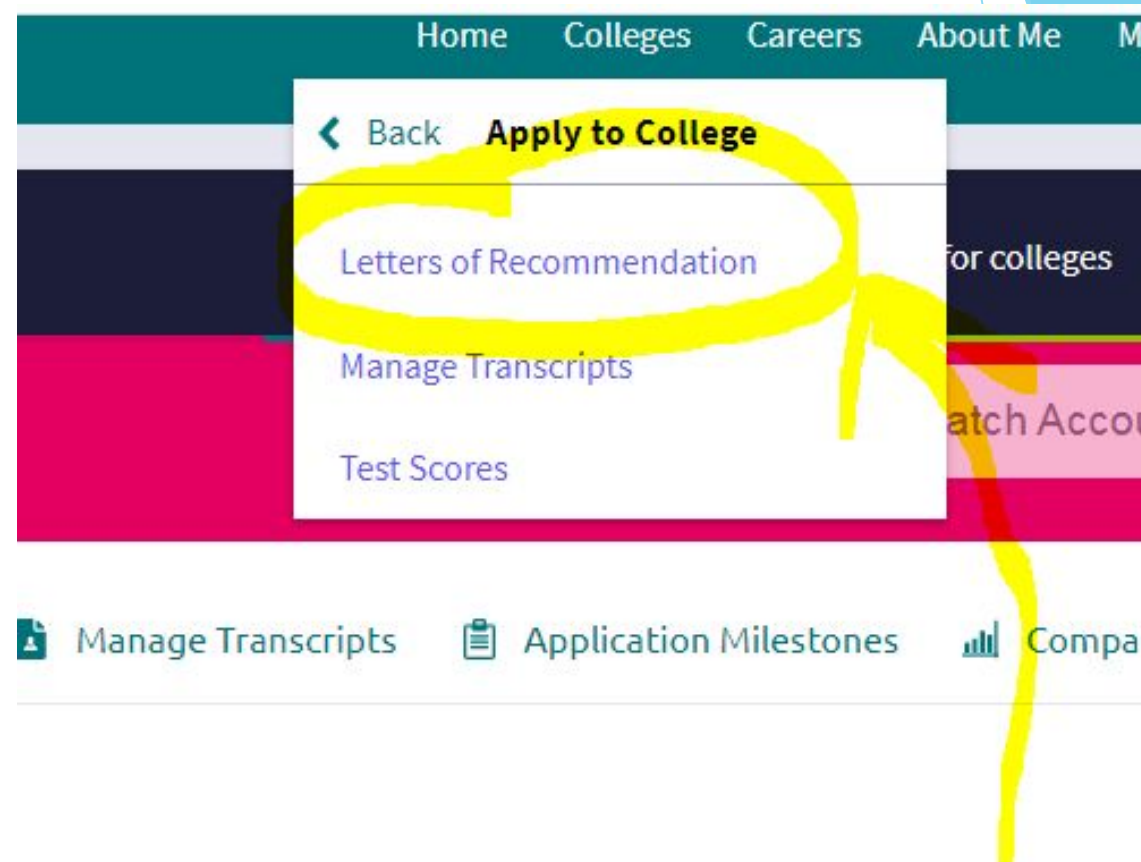
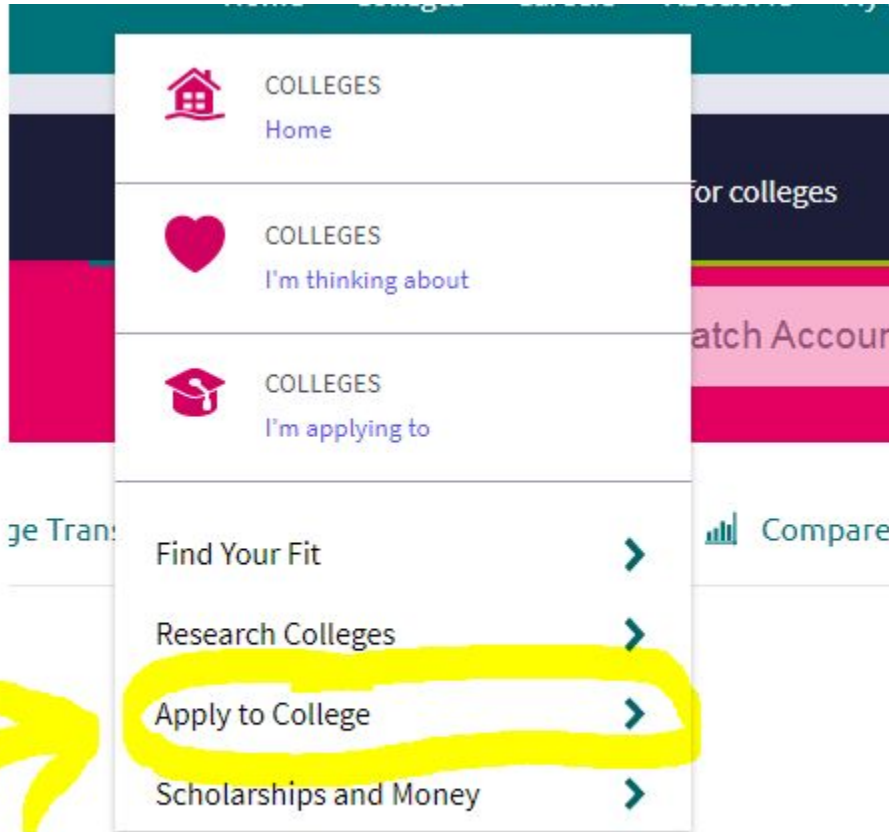
CAREERS AND CLUSTERS

I'm thinking about

Show Me How



# Naviance Directions



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## Letters of recommendation

### Your Requests

You can request new letters of recommendation and track the most recent status of your requests here.

Add Request

Recommendation For ^

Deadline ^

Recommender(s)

Status ⓘ

Cancel Request



Your recommendation requests will show up here.

Add Request

# Naviance Directions

## Letters of recommendation

### Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation. If you don't have any colleges in your list yet, you may still make a request. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!


Cancel

Submit Request

#### 1. Who would you like to write this recommendation?\*

Select A Teacher 

#### 2. Select which colleges this request is for:\*

☐ All current and future colleges I add to my *Colleges I'm Applying To* list 

\*Select only if you have no preference for which teachers will meet the recommendation requirements for each college

Choose **specific** colleges from your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list

Looks like you don't have colleges in your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list yet. Click [here](#) to add.

#### 3. Include a personal note to remind your recommender about your great qualities and any specifics about your request:

# School Counselor Letter

The information you provide on your junior survey will help us write a detailed and informative letter of recommendation on your behalf.

- You were emailed a link for the Junior Survey by your counselor. Please check your Google Classroom if you need to access the link.
- Reminder: The deadline for Junior Survey submission is June 15th

# Items to Include in Junior Survey

- ▶ Highlight any special programs (academic or extracurricular)
- ▶ How prominent are activities/impact in school?
- ▶ Any family or personal context we should be aware of?

Q & A