

# The Application Process

(in brief)

1. Complete Applications (*September-November of senior year*)
  - a. The Common Application ([commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org))
  - b. SUNY Application ([suny.edu/applysuny/](http://suny.edu/applysuny/))
  - c. Through the college's website
  - d. Erie Community College, Niagara Count Community College, Genesee Community College instant admission days at ACS
2. Ask Teachers for letters of recommendation (*September/October of senior year*)
  - a. You will ask for as many copies as the number of schools you are applying to
  - b. If you apply through the Common Application be sure to talk with teachers before electronically "inviting" them to recommend you.
  - c. Mailing these letters is the student's responsibility. You will mail these to the Office of Admissions at the college. Their addresses are found on their websites
3. Let Mrs. Tiedt in Student Support know that you have applied
  - a. If you apply through the Common Application or SUNY Application, your counselor will receive an email requesting your transcript
  - b. If you apply through a college's website, you must let Mrs. Tiedt know in order for your transcript to be sent
4. Let Mrs. Tiedt know when you have been accepted somewhere!
5. Complete Financial Aid (*October of senior year*)
  - a. Complete your FAFSA (Financial Aid) at [FAFSA.ed.gov](http://FAFSA.ed.gov)
  - b. This can be completed as early as October 1<sup>st</sup> of your senior year
  - c. Information can be found at [akronschools.org/page/4612](http://akronschools.org/page/4612)
  - d. Financial Aid Night is Thursday September 19<sup>th</sup>
6. Applying for Scholarships (*Summer entering senior year, throughout senior year*)
  - a. [Fastweb.com](http://Fastweb.com)
  - b. [www.raise.me](http://www.raise.me)
  - c. [Scholarships.com](http://Scholarships.com)
  - d. [Akronschools.org/page/4596](http://Akronschools.org/page/4596) (also posted and discussed in PIG/Economics classes)
  - e. Listen to announcements for the Akron Scholarship Application Packet in March