College applications are now open!
Most 4-year college applications are live on the school websites. Check the admission requirements for the colleges you are interested in before you apply. Community colleges don’t have the same requirements, and many of those applications open on September 1.

How to apply!
There are 3 steps in applying to college…
1) Apply online
2) Pay an application fee. Students eligible for free or reduced lunch should check with their counselor for an application fee waiver.
3) Send your school records by creating a Parchment.com account and choosing where you want your transcripts to go. If you are using the Common App to apply to certain colleges, this step isn’t needed for the Common App only.

Once you take care of these 3 steps, it will take the college a few weeks to process everything and email you about your acceptance, so be patient 😊

ACT
Most colleges will require you to send your scores directly from your ACT account, so be sure you take care of that. Also, remember that colleges use your ACT score to award scholarship money, so keep taking it! Register for the September or October ACT… every point matters.

Scholarships
Each month starting in September, we will put out a scholarship newsletter of local, state, and national scholarships and those upcoming deadlines. You can read the description to see if you meet the eligibility for any of the scholarships listed and apply! We update them monthly. Newsletters will be available in guidance and on the GHS website the “For Students” tab.

Senior Parent Meeting- College Information Session
Mark your calendar for the evening of September 19! You and a parent/guardian will want to come to learn about college admissions and financial aid/scholarships. Meeting details and time TBD.

Communication
Seniors should be checking their school email DAILY. This is how we send out important information and deadlines. It’s also a great way to communicate with us about your questions during this exciting time in your high school life!