SEQUOIA HIGH SCHOOL

KEY TERMS TO KNOW IN THE COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS



Early Decision (ED)-ED decisions are **BINDING**. Students can only apply early decision to one school-TOP CHOICE.

Binding-If you are admitted through Early Decision, you must attend that college.

Early Action (EA)-Similar to ED plans, but are NON-BINDING. Students can apply to more than one college.

Restrictive Early Action (REA)-Applicants may not apply early (either early action or early decision) to any other college. Students can still apply to other colleges under **REGULAR DECISION**.

Regular Decison-Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision clearly stated period of time. **NON-BINDING**.

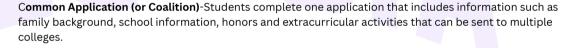
Rolling Admission-College review applications as they are submitted and render admission decision throughout the admission cycle. **NON-BINDING**.



Test Optional-Colleges that do not require standardized exams. They might ask for an alternative assessment.

Test Blind-Colleges that do not require or accept standardized test scores at all. If you submit a score it will not be considered in the admission process.

Recalculate GPA- Each college has its own methodology/formula for what classes and grade scale they use for their GPA. Some schools share the 'formula' with applicants.



LOR-Leter of recommendation. Colleges may require an LOR from a core academic teacher from the 11th or 12th grade. Check with admission requirements for number of LORs and subject areas.



School Report (SR)-It is a recommendation form that your high school counselor fills out for student that puts the students in the context of his/her high school. Also known as a counselor recommendation or secondary school report. Counselor sends it with 6th semester transcript and school profile.

Mid Year Report (MYR)- Most private colleges and all Common Application colleges require MYR. Includes 7th semester transcript, new GPA and any changes in course work. Sent by counselor at the end of January/beginning of February.

School Profile-Provides summary information about hte school's student body, curricular offerings, and grading system that colleges use to put you in the context of your school.

Supplemental Essays-School-specific or questions to help a college understand why you want to tog to their colleges as well as if a student would be a good fit.

FERPA-The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA in the Application Process-Gives student the right to review any documents send by a school under certain circumstances including, confidential letters of recommendation. Colleges want students to waiver rights to see documents.

6th Semester Transcript-Transcrpt sent by counselor when the application is due for private and Common Application Colleges. It includes all final grades taken 9th through 11th grade.

7th Semester Transcript-Transcript sent by counselor with the Mid Year Report (MYR) for most private colleges and all Common Application colleges. It includes final grades for the first semester of 12th grade.

WAYS TO GET HELP FROM COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

SENIORS:
Get support to complete

College Applications

- Flex Time
 - Every Flex Period Sept-Nov
- College Club
 Tuesdays 4-5pm
- Individual Appointments
 Students come in to schedule an appointment
- Drop-in @lunch
 Ask questions/get support
- How-To Videos
 College Application help: Naviance/CSU/Common App)
 Located on the College & Career webpage on sequoiahs.org

Ignaitis (All HCA, Study Skills Students and Last names A-L)
Yeager (All DAA, ELD Students and Last names M-Z)
College & Career Center (Room 115)