



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Senior year is a very exciting time and we look forward to helping you succeed in your final year of high school. Please remember if you have any questions or concerns at any time throughout this year, our doors are always open. Best wishes!

1. Important information you will need:

- School Address:
Lakewood High School
855 Somerset Avenue
Lakewood, NJ 08701
- Class size for 2021: 303
- Class Rank: Refer to your transcript
- Counselor's Office Phone: (732) 364-2400
- Counselor's title/position: School Counselor
- School Counselor's Emails:
 - Mrs. Jessica Borress jborress@lakewoodpiners.org
 - Ms. Lisa Bergamotto lbergamotto@lakewoodpiners.org
 - Mrs. Maria Byrd mbyrd@lakewoodpiners.org
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2. What is the CEEB/School Code: 310670

3. What is the Common Application?

It is one application that can be completed and used for over 870 colleges and universities. You can check to see if the schools you are applying to participate in this by going to www.commonapp.org. If you are applying to schools that participate in the Common Application, you should register for an account at www.commonapp.org. Note your username and password.

4. How does my transcript get sent to college?

You must submit a signed Transcript Release Form to your counselor listing every college you are applying to regardless of whether or not it is an on-line application. If we do not have a Transcript Release Form for that specific college, we cannot send out your transcript.

5. Who sends my SAT/ACT Scores to colleges?

You must send your SAT/ACT scores directly to the colleges to which you apply. To send your SAT scores, you can call ETS at 1-866-756-7346 or go on-line to www.collegeboard.org. ETS takes a long time to get the scores to each college so send out your schools ASAP. Most colleges do not accept rushed scores, so do NOT send rushed scores. ACT scores can be sent from www.actstudent.org. Students who have been in the United States for less than four years should also take the TOEFL. (Test of English as a Foreign Language). Register at www.ets.org/toefl. We do not send test scores to any college. To save money, check with the individual college you are applying to see if they will accept self-reported scores.

6. What do I need to give my counselor?

Submit your Student Brag Sheet as soon as possible. YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION FIRST! We need these forms in order to write your letter of recommendation which can be done independent of your part! Please remember that your counselor will need a minimum of 15 school days prior to your first deadline in order to process your applications.

7. What are mid-year reports?

Some colleges (not all) have mid-year reports that are part of their applications. Mid-year reports are sent out after 2nd marking period. It is a report of your senior year grades – an average grade of the first two marking periods. Make sure to let your counselor know if the colleges you're applying to need them.

8. How long will it take my counselor to process my transcripts and counselor recommendations?

Your counselor will need at least THREE school weeks (15 school days) to process your application. You should submit your completed brag sheet to your counselor as soon as you know the colleges you are applying to even if you are still working on your college application since your counselor can submit his/her part without your completed application. Then make sure you meet with your counselor to let him/her know these are ready. We will not send out your transcripts and recommendations the same day you hand them in, so please adhere to the three school week minimum processing time.

9. Who will ensure my application is complete and received by the college?

After your application is sent in, it is your responsibility to check with the college to make sure they received ALL parts of the application. You can do this by checking on-line or by calling the admissions office. If they are missing any part of your application notify your counselor. You should check 2-3 weeks AFTER the date YOU submitted your complete application to give the colleges time to update your status.

10. Scholarships – how do I find out about them and how do I apply for them?

There are also websites (such as www.fastweb.com) & (www.hesaa.org) that you can search for scholarships.