



Let's complete your Common App this weekend!
Not JUST for Seniors!
9th through 11th grades can do theirs too!



Dear College Bound Friends-

Seniors- Your applications are **live** and calling to you! Many deadlines are between Oct 15th and Dec 1st so why not complete as many of them as possible before school starts? **Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors, this is for you too! Read on.**

The **Common App** is used by over 700 colleges in the US. Most of our students at Scholarship Gold apply to at least one (usually more) school that uses the Common App. However, it isn't always clear how to complete it and submit it to all of your colleges. (Click [HERE](#) to see a list of all of the colleges that use the Common Application.)

Join us **this Saturday in Lake Wylie** to spend three hours being guided through your Common App so that you know exactly what to fill in where. PLUS- we will talk about how you decide between applying Early Action, Early Decision, and Regular Decision so that you pick the strategy that's right for you. Bring your laptop and log in information and prepare to roll up your sleeves and work on your Common App with us to guide you through it!

Click [HERE](#) for information and to hold your spot!
Aug 18th, 1:15-4:15

DID YOU KNOW THAT FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORES, AND JUNIORS can (and even should) get started on their Common App too?

The Common Application (and a counterpart, called the Coalition Application) want to demystify and destress the process of completing college applications. Students can now set up their ID and password as early as 9th grade, fill in the

basic information, and update it over time as they get closer to their senior year. They can effectively use it as a storage locker for all of their important data and get familiar with the program.

Feel free to come on Saturday and get started on your college applications, even if you're not yet a senior!



College Bound Countdown Calendar!

Knowing what to do and when is the **key** to successfully positioning for admissions and scholarships. Smart planning starts as early as 8th and 9th grades! Download and keep the College Success Countdown Calendar below to make sure you're on track!

[Read More Link](#)



All the Steps to Applying!

Completing the online application is just one part of the process!

Don't forget these other crucial steps- otherwise your file will be incomplete!

- Send your **official** SAT scores (from CollegeBoard.org) and/or your ACT scores (from ACT.org)
- Ask your counselor to send your **transcripts** to all the colleges to which you're applying.
- Make sure your **recommendation** writers have received their email invitation to write your recommendation from your application and they're prepared to write them.
- If any of your colleges want an admissions **interview**, get it scheduled asap. (ex. Wake Forest)
- Investigate each college's website to find out what **scholarships** are available and how to pursue them. Go to the college site (ex. www.Davidson.edu) and then type "scholarships" in their search window.
- Parents need to fill out **FAFSA** (the Free Applications for Federal Student Aid) starting Oct 1st. It will be based on 2017 taxes for parents of 2019 grads.
- Fill out the separate **Honors College** application if the college requires it for people who want to be considered for the Honors



College at state schools. (ex.- App State, Clemson, College of Charleston, and USC require students to submit a separate app. NCSU and UNC will automatically consider students based on their college application.)

Make sure to do it all, not just the online application!

Summer Workshops- Get a Jump Start on College at Any Age!



**August classes
(Fall course schedule will be
released soon)**

1) Aug 16- Concord! College Bound Essentials.
(with bonus segment for **homeschoolers**)
6:00-9:00 pm- click [here](#)

Points to Note

-All Scholarship Gold workshops are three hours long only \$75/student and parents come along at no charge.

-The free financial aid seminars are only one hour long, presented by industry experts.

-Students sit up front with me so that we can engage easily and that students can take ownership of the college bound process.

-Before booking a private consultation, it is highly encouraged that families attend the College Bound Essentials workshop first.

2) Aug 18- Lake Wylie- College Bound Essentials.- 9:00-noon- click [HERE](#)

3) FREE EVENT- How to Pay for College Using Your Family Business- noon-1:00, click [here](#)

4) NEW! Let's Complete the Common App Together!- 1:15-4:15 click [here](#)

Sign Up Today



Services and Resources

This is our busiest season of the year, because of all of the seniors applying to college in the fall. I am booking private meetings for mid-October at this point so if you need a fall appointment, get in touch soon!

Private appts are \$75/hour and most sessions take 2 hours.

Please make great use of the workshops and then determine if you'd like to follow up with a private meeting. If you

do, let's book ahead and either Kay or I will be glad to help.

Need to find an appointment time? Please call Lindsay at 714-331-1911 or email her at Lindsay@scholarshipgold.com to set one up.

(Note- we are a progressive and family-friendly business so Lindsay works some days from home. If you hear her happy little ones in the background don't be surprised!)

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