

# SENIORS | FAQ

## **Q: How many CREDITS do I need to graduate?**

Students need **22 credits** for graduation. Students NOT meeting these requirements by the day of graduation are not able to walk.

## **Q: What is CHS's CEEB (School Code)?**

Our CEEB is **230-455**.

## **Q: How can I VISIT A COLLEGE?**

### **1. Attend a college visit at CHS**

- 40+ colleges visit CHS in the fall, and many return in the spring as well. Visits typically last 45 minutes to 1 hour.
- Sign up using the [College Rep Visit Form](#), available on the CHS website →STU → Post-Secondary → [College Visits](#)

### **2. Visit a college on your own time**

- If you will be visiting during school hours, you must have your teachers sign the [College Visitation Form](#) located in the STU, and return it to the Attendance Office prior to your visit. Only 2 days for college visits are excused each year.

### **3. Attend a College Fair**

- Find a list of local fairs on the CHS website →STU → Post-Secondary → [College Fairs](#)

## **Q: How do I APPLY TO COLLEGE?**

### **1. Complete The Application**

- *Directly through the college:* Most colleges offer an online application, available on their website. Be sure to follow and read all of the instructions.
- *Via the Common App or Coalition App:*
  - Be sure to sync these accounts to Xello.
  - Some applications require letters of recommendation. Make these requests early, to allow ample time before you apply.
- Have your 1st choice done by November 1. All others shall be completed by Christmas.

### **2. Send Your Transcript**

- Transcript requests should be made through Parchment. Visit the CHS website → STU → Academics → [Transcripts](#) for instructions.

## **Q: How do I send my AP SCORES to a college?**

Your AP score is sent to the college or university that you designated on your answer sheet. Your score report is cumulative and includes scores for all AP exams you have ever taken unless you indicate otherwise. If you wish to send additional score reports, you can do so for a fee via College Board:

<https://apscore.collegeboard.org/scores>

## **Q: How can I RETAKE THE SAT?**

Seniors will NOT take a standardized test at CHS during their Senior year. If you were not happy with your scores from a previous test, you must register to take the test on your own, and pay the required fee online. Links to do so, along with test dates and test resources, are posted on our CHS website → STU → Academics → Testing → [SAT](#).

**Q: How can I learn more about our MILITARY?**

Most military recruiters schedule 1-2 lunch visits with CHS each month. A list of dates that they are available can be found in our Newsletter and on our website, CHS website → STU → Post-Secondary → [Military](#)

**Q: What do I do if I'm interested in COLLEGE ATHLETICS?**

Register with the Eligibility Center to confirm your eligibility. Follow each organization's instructions explicitly. Your counselor can help with your high school course selection.

- NCAA: <http://eligibilitycenter.org>
- NAIA Eligibility Center: [www.playnaia.org](http://www.playnaia.org)

**Q: How can I make COLLEGE MORE AFFORDABLE?**

1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
  - Register for a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID)
  - The FAFSA is available October 1 and must be completed online by the state AND your college's deadline (most Michigan college deadlines are March 1).
  - More information is available on our CHS website → STU → Post-Secondary → [Financial Aid](#)
2. Apply for scholarships. Visit our CHS website → STU → Post-secondary → [Scholarships](#), for more information on the options noted below, and more!
  - [Local](#) - there are many local scholarships offered to students who attend CHS, reside in the Caledonia area, Kent County, etc.
  - [Institutional](#) - Most colleges and universities offer institutional scholarships to students. Some will automatically apply upon acceptance. Others will require separate applications. Do note, many have application deadlines, so watch them closely!
  - **Search Sites** - there are a large number of scholarship search sites available. Create an account on at least one, as it will match your skills with scholarships available.

**Q: I can't remember how to access....**

- **College Board** - Call College Board for assistance at 866-315-6068.
- **Powerschool** - Contact Mrs. Sheely at [sheelyk@calschools.org](mailto:sheelyk@calschools.org)