COLLEGE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SCOIR

Applying

CONESTOGA

- Under *My Colleges*, add colleges under the *Applying* column.
- 2. Follow prompts on the screen to indicate how and when you are applying to each college.
- 3. If using the Common Application, please enter your Common App ID # in the field provided.
- 4. Under *My Profile*, complete the *FERPA Release Authorization* and *Waiver of Rights* documents.

Teacher Recommendations

- 1. Check in with your teacher recommenders and ensure they know your EARLIEST deadline.
- Request your recommendation letters in SCOIR under My Colleges -> Application Documents -> Request a Recommendation -> Search your teacher -> Select and hit send.
- 3. DO NOT request any recommendations on Common App – request via SCOIR ONLY.

Requesting Transcripts & School Documents

- Once you have submitted an application, move colleges from the *Applying* to the *Applied* column on the *My Colleges* page.
- 2. Send your counselor an email notifying them where you applied.
- Your individual counselor meeting must occur at least two weeks <u>PRIOR</u> to a request for school documents.

** You must move your college to the Applied column and notify your counselor each time you submit an application.**

Counselor Appointments

are based on earliest application deadline

Early applications (rolling admissions or Oct/Nov deadlines) – see your counselor no later than October 1st to make your appointment.

Regular Decision applications (Dec/Jan/Feb deadlines) – make your appointment prior to November 15th.

Common App

- 1. Create a Common Application account at www.commonapp.org.
- 2. Add colleges to your list and begin to complete the Common Application.
- Pay special attention to additional questions/writing supplements individual colleges may require.
- 4. Information you will need:
 - Graduating Class Size 545
 - Class Rank none
 - Weighted GPA Scale 5
 - List of senior year courses
 - Course scheduling system semester
- 5. Once you have completed the Education Section of your Common App, click on *Recommenders and FERPA* on the left side of the screen. Complete **ONLY** the FERPA section (*do not request recommendations*) and **waive your rights.**

Quick Information

- Complete your Junior Questionnaire in SCOIR if you have not done so already.
- Send all SAT/ACT, etc. test scores you want considered with your application. Counselors **<u>DO NOT</u>** send scores.
- Submit college applications whenever they are ready. The student portion can and usually is submitted prior to the counselor/school portion. Remember to notify your counselor each time you apply.
- Check email and Schoology blasts regularly for important information from counselors.
- Collegebound student athletes- ensure you register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- Complete/submit the FAFSA (fafsa.gov) and other required institutional financial aid forms beginning Oct 1st.