District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education



What is College Application Week?

College Application Week (CAW) is a national effort to increase the number of first-generation and low-income students who pursue a postsecondary education. The goal of CAW is to assist all graduating seniors, especially those who may not otherwise apply to college, in navigating the complex college admissions process and ensure that each participating student completes and submits at least one application.

When is DC College Application Week?

November 3-7, 2014.

How do I find out if my school is participating in CAW?

Please ask your school's guidance counselor, principal or college access provider about your school's participation in CAW. You may also visit http://osse.dc.gov/service/dc-college-application-week to view a list of schools participating in DC CAW 2014.

What if my school is not participating?

If your school is not participating, please contact the CAW District Coordinator Tiffany DeJesus at tiffany.dejesus@dc.gov for further assistance.

What do I need to participate in CAW?

Research the admissions criteria for the colleges to which you are applying, and gather your information needed to complete the application(s).

How do I pay the college application fees? Is there a waiver?

Work with your school guidance counselors to determine if you are eligible for application fee waivers based on your free and reduced price meals status.

How do I request/send my high school transcripts?

Seek assistance from your school guidance counselor to obtain a copy of your school transcript.

How many schools should I apply to?

Apply to more than one school to give yourself options.

What do I do after CAW?

- Follow up with transcripts and test scores.
- · Give the schools time to contact you.
- Research scholarships and financial aid.
- Complete your FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1.
- Complete your DC OneApp as soon as possible after February 1.
- Review your award letters, accept your financial aid and decide where you will go to school.
- Notify any schools that you will not be attending.

Who should I contact if I have questions?

You may contact your school's CAW site coordinator, counselor or college access provider for further information and support.









