Common Application Instructions 2022

WWW.COMMONAPP.ORG
Common App works best in Chrome and Safari.

1. The email address you use for your common application <u>MUST match the email address</u> you use in family connection. You can change your email address in the about me section of family connection.
2. YOU SHOULD NOT BE USING A PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS TO APPLY TO COLLEGE.
3. YOU SHOULD HAVE YOUR OWN EMAIL ADDRESS THAT YOU CHECK AND THAT IS LISTED IN FAMILY CONNECTION!
4. You create your login and password. The password has to be specific. <u>Save it in your phone</u>. I can not reset it, and I can't help you if it's only autosaved on your computer at home!
5. The application itself is under the common app tab. The profile portion is demographic information that you should know about yourself. The next section is about your family, and you can answer that as well.
6. The profile section and family section are just questions about your parents/siblings.
7. If you are on free/reduced lunch you MUST complete the common app fee waiver portion in the profile section on common app. This is super important!!
8. **The education section of the common application must be completed before you match your accounts the second week of school. You will match your accounts through your English IV class after school starts.** The Education section can be found under the common app tab on the Common Application after you create your account. You can go back and correct this. So, if you only want to enter one honor or one course, you can. But YOU must remember to go back and correct it.
   a. Current or most recent school: 447642 The Woodlands College Park
      i. Date of entry (if you have been here all four years) 08/2018
      ii. Board: No
      iii. Grad Date: 05/20/2022
      iv. No change in progression (unless you took time off/etc)
   b. Other Secondary High Schools (enter if you haven't been here all four years)
   c. Colleges or universities
      i. Choose 1
      ii. Lone Star College System (CEEB: 6508)
      iii. Dual Enrollment with High School
      iv. Credit Awarded Directly By College
      v. College 1 from date:
      vi. Start date:

If you took DC your sophomore year 08/01/2019

If you took DC summer before junior 05/01/2020

If you took DC your junior year 08/01/2020

If you took DC your senior year 08/01/2021

Your DC ends at the end of the school year that you finished Dual Credit

Total Hours—<u>this DOES NOT MEAN AP, only Dual Credit</u>

Count all previous and current hours you are currently enrolled in!!!!

DC English III-6 hours

DC English IV-6 hours

DC College Algebra-3 hours

DC Pre Cal-6 hours

DC US History-6 Hours

DC Chem-4 Hours

DC Gov-3 Hours

Degree earned (leave blank)

d. Grades
   i. Graduating class size: 819
   ii. Class rank: Exact
   iii. Class Rank: Enter your class rank
   iv. Rank weighting: weighted
   v. GPA Scale reporting: 5 (yes this is right, even if you have over a 5)
   vi. Cumulative GPA: Enter your weighted GPA from Naviance
   vii. GPA weighting: Weighted
e. Current or most recent year courses:
   i. ENTER EVERYTHING INCLUDING ATHLETICS, OFFICE AIDE, LATE ARRIVAL, EARLY RELEASE, LAB MANAGEMENT, INDEPENDENT STUDIES ETC
   ii. Course Scheduling System: Semester
f. Honors
   i. Any academic based honors you have received
      1. Think academic based, you can choose other honors here, but it needs to primarily be academic in nature
g. Community Based Organizations
   i. Most of you it will be 0, but if you moved from somewhere that had AVID or something like that, please talk to Dr. Creel
h. Future Plans:

> i. What do you think you want to do. You need to select Bachelors or higher. BA or BS means 4 years of college

9. <mark>Testing Section:</mark> It is up to you on whether or not you self report scores. YOU MUST also send your SAT and/or ACT scores into each college from that testing website. AP Scores only have to be sent to the college that you are ATTENDING not every school you apply to unless the school directly states so (most do not).

10. Activities: You can add up to 10. They can be in any order, but **most students put them in order of importance to them**. Remember that there isn't a right or wrong way to do it as it's up to you. Just because you spend the most hours do something doesn't mean that has to be first.

11. **Writing: Please read this section carefully. Your personal essay may or may not be required…but remember that it's a COMMON application so the same essay will be submitted to all schools. There could be additional essays that are school specific that are sent to a particular school, but the essay from common app goes everywhere.**

    a. There is also the where the "Additional Information" area is located. If you feel as though you haven't had adequate space or area to explain something, this is where you could put it in**. This is usually the space that AST students add information or a link to the AST profile. (650 words)**

    b. COVID Questions-optional (250 words)