

The Class of 2024

Senior Booklet

Alvirne Counseling Department

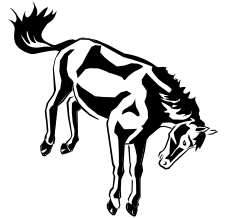


Welcome to Senior Year Class of 2024!

The purpose and benefit of this booklet is to help you organize your information and plans for life after Alvirne High School. We would like to help make this process as smooth and user-friendly as possible for you, your parents, and your School Counselor.

Good luck and Happy Planning!

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COLLEGE TIMELINE

September-November:

- ✓ Continue to take challenging courses and keep up your grades – Aim for “A’s”.
- ✓ Create Common Application Account for appropriate schools. Check online for college applications.
- ✓ Visit college campuses of interest to you.
- ✓ Decide which schools you will apply to and discuss them with your School Counselor.
- ✓ Make a list of each college and scholarship deadlines!
- ✓ Ask teachers and counselors to complete your evaluation forms and School Report. Make sure you approach them early and make clear the deadlines for each school.
- ✓ Brainstorm for and write your essays and enlist editors to help you perfect them. (Be sure to start this as early as possible!).
- ✓ Arrange college interviews where required and practice for them.

If you are applying Early Action, submit your application. Deadlines are typically around November 1st, but check with individual schools as some may be earlier. Remember tracking forms must be submitted to your School Counselor **TWO** weeks prior to the deadline! Tracking form is here: [College Application Tracking Form](#)

- ✓ Remember to log into your College Board account and request that your test scores are sent. Check with your schools because most are now test optional.

December-February:

- ✓ Submit your applications –Deadlines are typically around January 1 but check with each school.
- ✓ Complete the necessary financial aid forms, including the FAFSA (after December 1). www.fafsa.ed.gov. Check the Financial Aid deadline at each college you apply to and be sure to submit the form accordingly to ensure eligibility for financial aid from the college.
- ✓ Continue to apply to outside scholarships. Don’t forget to check with local civic groups and with your parents’ employers. The Senior Newsletter and Scholarship Newsletter are posted to the website and Schoology monthly.
- ✓ Ask your counselor to complete any necessary Mid-Year School Reports. They are typically due in February.

March-May:

- ✓ You are almost done! Now it’s time to wait it out. You will typically receive notification letters or emails at the beginning of April.
- ✓ Decision time: with help from parents, teachers and counselor decide where you would like to spend the next four years.
- ✓ Discuss with your parents the financial aid offers and contact the schools if they are seriously insufficient.
- ✓ Take part in “Pre-Frosh” events and visitations.
- ✓ Notify the schools of your decision and send in the deposit to your new college (May 1st).
- ✓ Bring copies of acceptance letters from colleges and scholarships to your counselor.
- ✓ If you haven’t already, send thank you letters to all your helpers and inform them of where you have decided to attend.

Alvirne High School Counseling Department College Application Process

The Common Application is the most widely used college application. Over five hundred colleges accept the Common Application. Log on to www.commonapp.org. You must link your common app to your Naviance Account. Once you have submitted your common app, please submit a college application tracking form using the link below for each college you are applying too. This tracking form lets us know that we need to submit your supporting documents including your letter(s) of recommendation and transcript.

Tracking Form: [College Application Tracking Form](#)

For schools that do not accept the Common Application, please log on to their website to apply electronically or to download a paper application.

Be aware of deadlines in the application process. Take the deadline seriously, as an Admissions Office may not read your application if not submitted on time. Admission policies and deadlines can vary between colleges, so check with each college you apply to. **It is the student's responsibility to meet all deadlines**, and remember the School Counseling Office needs 2 weeks to process your application.

Types of deadlines include:

Early Decision: offered by many highly competitive colleges. Deadlines vary but can be as early as November 1. Students are usually notified of acceptance before January 1. Students are asked to sign a contract of attendance and are obligated to attend the college.

Early Action: similar to early decision, except there is no contract of attendance. The student can apply to other colleges. Students who plan on applying early action should easily meet the admission requirements.

Regular Decision: this is the deadline for a college to receive the completed application. Deadlines range from February 1 to March 15. Students are notified in mid-March-April.

Rolling Admission: there is no specific deadline. Applications are reviewed as they are received, and students are usually notified within 4-6 weeks. Students should try to apply prior to March 15, as space may be limited. If the program you are applying for is full, you'll be denied even if you are qualified.

Conditional/Provisional Admission: the college wants to accept the student, but the student must first meet a condition or provision. For example, the student must successfully complete a summer course or successfully complete a first semester/year of college with a GPA of "C" or better.



Naviance is the program we use to submit your college applications. You should also complete your senior resume on Naviance.

If you don't remember your log in information, please email Mrs. Fontaine in the Counseling Office: kfontaine@sau81.org. You must use your personal email for Naviance.

When you ask teachers for a letter of recommendation, you should provide them with a copy of your senior resume. To complete your senior resume on Naviance go to:

Succeed.naviance.com



Click on your initials, top right

Surveys from your school

Senior Resume

Your Naviance account will allow you and your School Counselor to:

- Manage and track all aspects of the admissions process.
- Delivers all the supporting documents for college applications to approximately 1,000 colleges.
- Provides valuable insight into the college admissions process with college search, scatter grams, scholarship information and college application statistics

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COLLEGE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

College _____

Major applied for _____

Application deadline _____

Essay complete _____

Application complete _____

Tracking Form submitted _____

Response from college _____

(accepted/not accepted)

Mid-year report to Counseling _____

Letters of Recommendation

Asked for letter from _____ Date _____

Will give letter to me ____ OR Will send letter to Counseling to keep on file ____ (check one)

Asked for letter from _____ Date _____

Will give letter to me ____ OR Will send letter to Counseling to keep on file ____ (check one)

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Will give letter to me ____ OR Will send letter to Counseling to keep on file ____ (check one)

Financial Aid Applications

FAFSA (complete and send after October 1)

Have form ____ Student section complete ____ Parent section complete ____ Mailed ____

PROFILE (optional: not required by every college)

Have form ____ Form completed ____ Mailed ____

Username and Password Chart (Keep in a safe and secure place!):

Naviance: Username: _____ Password: _____

College Board: Username: _____ Password: _____

Common Application: Username: _____ Password: _____

FAFSA: Username: _____ PIN#: _____



~Southern NH University~

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UMass Lowell

Want to go? Don't Miss This!!!

UMass Lowell-Go Riverhawks!

UMass Lowell and Alvirne have an articulation agreement allowing students to attend the University for reduced tuition due to the proximity of the University to Hudson. Interested?

Questions? Come on in and talk with your Counselor!

Southern NH University – Go Penman!

Hoping to attend Southern NH University?

Alvirne High School students have the opportunity to take advantage of the articulation/early notification program. Scholarship money is available to students who are accepted through this program.

Due dates are to be announced for completed applications.

Interested? Check in with your School Counselor for further details!

iamcollegebound.org





Website Information

COMPREHENSIVE COLLEGE PROCESS INFORMATION

www.collegeboard.com	SAT prep, online registration, financial aid, college planning, CSS/Profile registration.
www.collegenet.com	College search, resources, recruiting, scholarship search, financial aid, educational sites search engine.
www.petersons.com	College search, career guidance/assessment, financial aid, test prep, summer opportunities, study abroad.

<http://connection.naviance.com/alvirne>

This is the site we use to track your college application information. See your counselor to get your access code.

JOB INFORMATION

www.bls.gov/ooh/

The Occupation Outlook Handbook. Provides job description, working conditions, training/education needed, earnings, and expected job prospects.

www.acinet.org

America's job bank, allows you to search a nationwide listing.



Website Information

MILITARY INFORMATION

www.usafa.af.mil	US Air Force	www.goarmy.com	US Army
www.usmc.mil	US Marines	www.navy.mil	US Navy
www.1800goguard.com	US National Guard		

FINANCIAL AID

www.fafsa.ed.gov

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

www.nhheaf.org

NH Higher Ed. Assistance Foundation. College planning/funding.

www.finaid.org Large variety of financial aid information.

www.fastweb.com College scholarships and financial aid information.

www.salliemae.com Educational loans.

www.studentaid.ed.gov Designed for students. Provides details about the entire financial aid process, from considering college to repaying loans.

www.nhcf.org New Hampshire Charitable Foundation

CAREER INTEREST SURVEYS & INFORMATION

www.careerkey.org/english

www.advisorteam.com

www.bls.gov/oco/

www.cmi-lmi.com/enterppp.html

www.careercruising.com

Login: Alvirne password: broncos



Welcome to the Alvirne High School
Counseling Department!
Come on in and See Us!

This year it will be important for you to talk with and work with your School Counselor. Here is contact information to keep on-hand for when needed!

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