

College Application Information 2017 - 2018

Important Timelines

- October 2017 - Students may start applying to the online college application service (OCAS) at www.ontariocolleges.ca.
- October until February - Application help is available in the Guidance Office from your counsellor.
- **February 1, 2018** - Deadline for applying to OCAS (The College Application Service) to receive equal consideration from the colleges. After this date applications are considered on a first come first served basis. Applicants are encouraged to complete their applications well before the Equal Consideration Date, as volume on the online application are at their highest at this time.
- February 1, 2018 - The earliest date for applicants to receive an offer of admission.
- May 1, 2018 - Acceptance to offers of admission must be confirmed by this date.
- June 15, 2018 - Tuition Deposit due at the Colleges.

Preparation

- **Attend the Ontario College Fair** at the Enercare Centre at Exhibition Place on Tues. Oct 24 from 5 pm- 9 pm and Wed. Oct 25 from 10 am - 3 pm. Many of Ontario's colleges will be there to provide presentation, print materials and representatives will be there to answer questions.
- **Attend the college presentations in the Lecture Hall at lunch.**
- Attend the College Degree Panel presentation on October 2 at 9:35 in the Lecture Hall.
- **Review program requirements and so much more at www.ontariocolleges.ca.**
- **Visit the colleges.** Tours are available regularly.
- **Contact the colleges representatives for program and application information.**
- Guidance Office - a counsellor is always available during lunch or make an appointment.
- College application help is available from your Guidance Counsellor.
- Contact the OCAS help line 1-888-892-2228 or email Ask-Us@ontariocolleges.ca
- Check www.ontransfer.ca for transfer options between college and university programs.

Applying to College

- 1) Log onto www.ontariocolleges.ca to complete your application. You will create your own account and set up your own user name and password. **DON'T LOSE THIS!**
You will need your OEN to apply, which can be found on your student card or any report card.
- 2) Verify the information provided by the school is correct and current. Report any academic errors to the Guidance Office. **Lorne Park will automatically send your transcripts to OCAS.**
- 3) Select your college program choices and submit before February 1, 2018. You may apply to up to 5 programs for \$95.00. When you have completed your application and paid, you will be assigned an OCAS reference number. **Keep your OCAS reference number for future use as you will need it to accept offers of admission.** OCAS will forward your information to the colleges you have listed on your application (If paying by cheque, include your OCAS number).
- 4) The colleges will contact you directly by email when they give you an offer of admission. Log back into your OCAS account to accept and confirm an offer before May 1, 2018. You may accept only one offer at a time.
- 5) Keep a copy of your application for your records.