

# Summer Update for Juniors

2020

# BHS Grading Policy

<b>Grading Scenario Grid</b>			
	Semester 1	Semester 2	Final Grade
Scenario 1	A, B, C	Pass	Letter grade based on average of Q1 and Q2, and work from 1/31 - 3/12 if it helps the final grade.
<b>Scenario 2</b>	<b>A, B, C, D</b>	<b>Fail</b>	<b>Teacher discretion to determine P for the year or to send to review by entering an "I" for the Final Grade and emailing the student's dean/program coordinator.</b>
Scenario 3	D or E	Pass	P
Scenario 4	E	Fail	F

# Testing (slide taken from the Summit presentation)



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Will I get my scores back in time for Nov. 1 Early Decision?

SAT

August (YES)

September (YES)

October (YES)

*November (NO)*

*December (NO)*

ACT

September (YES)

*October (NO)*

*December (NO)*

# Test-Optional

More and more colleges are becoming test-optional for the next year and beyond.

For the complete list, go to [fairtest.org](https://www.fairtest.org)

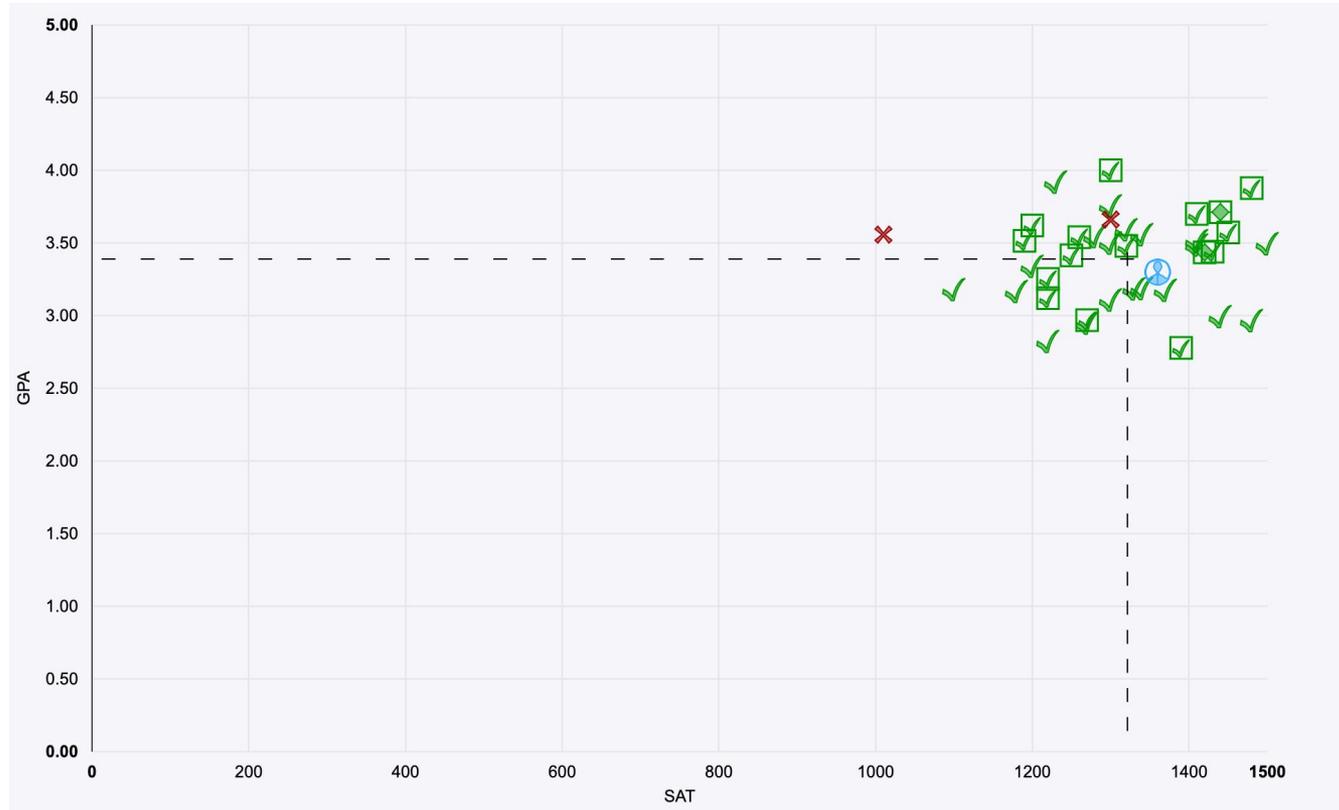
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# Researching Colleges Remotely

COVID-19 has caused campuses to cancel classes, tours and admitted students days. There is no substitute for visiting a campus while it's in session, attending a class, and talking to current students. However, there are a lot of online resources available to learn as much as you can in the meantime. It is comforting to know that colleges are being really flexible in their typical expectations and policies during the year of COVID-19.

## What you can do now from home:

- Sign up for college newsletters and updates
- Open every email from the colleges you are interested in and click on the links
- Reach out to your admissions officers to establish contact and get any questions you have answered
- Attend Upcoming Virtual College Admission Events including tours and information sessions - [Click on this google doc to view a growing list of colleges](#) who have moved their tours and/or information sessions online in the coming weeks.

# Researching Colleges Remotely

Looks at student-produced videos about colleges. Below is an example from WPI

<https://youtu.be/kh2ISKPJV8o>



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[College Info Series:](#)

<http://lumiry.com/2020-summer-university-series/>

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Check if colleges will host the “drive through” visits during the summer!



# Common Application (<http://www.commonapp.org>)

You can fill it out over the summer, it will then “rollover” to the next year

Same essay topics as last year (650 word limit). Below are some popular topics:

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
7. Share an essay on any topic of your choice. It can be one you've already written, one that responds to a different prompt, or one of your own design.

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**New 250 word essay topic:** “Community disruptions such as Covid-19 and natural disasters can have deep and long-lasting impacts. If you need it, this space is yours to describe those impacts. Colleges care about the effects on your health and well-being, safety, family circumstances, future plans, and education, including access to reliable technology and quiet study spaces.”

## Things to do (when you have time)

Ask two teachers for the recommendation letters. These should be the teachers who know you best, preferably from your junior year.

## Things to do (when you have time)

Complete the Self Description Form on Naviance: this is the form that your counselor uses to write your letter of recommendation

It is found on Naviance under About Me, My Surveys, Surveys Not Started, Self-Description Form

# Things to do (when you have time)

Ask your parents to complete the Parent Brag Sheet for your counselor.

It could be found here:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/0B6lf7\\_KxeX3jVnVkWDRmLWxUUUk](https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/0B6lf7_KxeX3jVnVkWDRmLWxUUUk)

Questions?