Dear Student,

Oswego CUSD 308 is pleased to introduce you to the Naviance Student College Application process.

For the 2020-2021 school year, Oswego CUSD 308 will be using Naviance for college document submissions Naviance will streamline the process for submitting transcripts, school reports, and recommendation letters to colleges, including all Common Application colleges.

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE COMMON APP PROCESS:

- This year you can create your Common App account but please <u>DO NOT</u> invite any teacher or counselors to write letters of recommendation through Common App. This process will take place in Naviance for the 2020-2021 school year.
- After August 21st, you will need to match your Common App account with your Naviance account.
- Once you match Common App to your Naviance account, you will be able to request transcripts and teacher recommendations in Naviance Student.

These videos will help you understand this process better:

- Common App Matching https://www.screencast.com/t/gxEQkElyo1
- Students Requesting Transcripts https://www.screencast.com/t/Bk6kjS5ySK
- Requesting Letters of Rec https://www.screencast.com/t/VD4X5XiMU

Additional resources can be found on the Student Services department site.

Your Naviance Student account also allows you to:

- Get involved in the planning and advising process build a resume, complete online surveys, and manage timelines and deadlines for making decisions about colleges and careers
- Research colleges compare GPA, standardized test scores, and other statistics to actual historical data from our school for students who have applied and been admitted in the past
- Research careers research hundreds of careers and career clusters, and take career assessments
- Create plans for the future create goals and to-dos, and complete tasks assigned to you by the school to better prepare yourself for your future college and career goals

During these next weeks, we encourage you to use SuperMatch to conduct a college search and start building your "Colleges I'm Thinking About" and "Colleges I'm Applying To lists." Additionally, you can start researching scholarships you would like to apply for by accessing your school's Scholarship List and the National Scholarship Tool. You can also view the videos in the College Application video series for additional information on the student application process in Naviance Student. We hope that you will find these resources helpful.

If you have any questions about Naviance Student and the college application process, please contact your counselor.