

# Warren Senior Newsletter

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## College Applications... Have you started?

### Application Checklist:

#### General Application:

Fill out multiple applications on-line at [www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org)  
Check each individual college for deadlines!

#### Transcripts

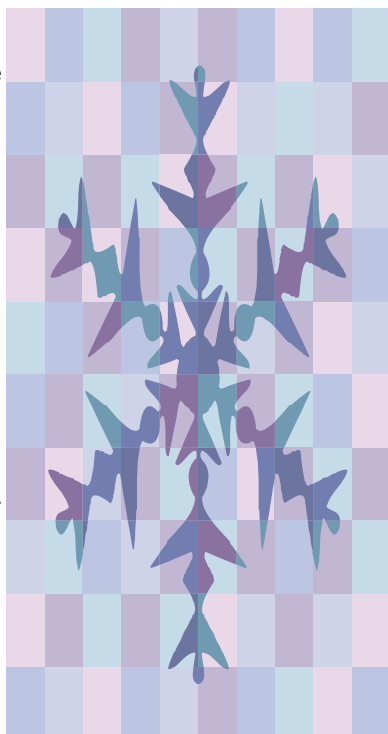
Request Forms for transcripts are available in the registrar's office. Cost is \$2.00 . Allow 3 to 5 days to process before picking up your transcript.

#### The school will not mail your transcript to your college.

Please give yourself enough time to process and mail your transcript.

#### Letters of Recommendation

Make sure you sign the statement waiving your right to see the recommendation. Give your recommender time to write your letter.



### Avoid Common Application Mistakes:

#### \*Follow Directions

Make sure **all** areas of your application are filled out completely.

#### \*Submit Early

Mail off your application early. Many colleges have early deadlines for housing and financial aid. They will need time to process your admissions application.

#### \*Save a copy

If you submit your application electronically, print a copy before you press the send button.

#### \*Ask instead of guessing

If you have any questions about your application,

### Dates to Remember

12/9 Saturday School  
12/ 9- ACT  
12/ 16- Saturday School  
12/20 Registration Deadline for January 27th- SAT

### Final Exam Schedule

12/14- 8th period  
12/15- 7th period  
12/18- 1st and 4th  
12/19- 2nd and 5th  
12/20- 3rd and 6th

**Are you sure you have all the credit; you need to graduate? If you are not sure, check with your counselor.**

**Look at our updated scholarship list at the guidance & counseling website [www.nisd.net/warren](http://www.nisd.net/warren) (go department> guidance> scholarships )**

## Senior Guidebooks

Guidebooks are still available in the career center. Pick one up to get information about college application mistakes, keeping college applications organized, building perfect resume, choosing a college major, applying for financial aid and preparing for job interviews.

### Financial Night

January 30

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January 31

6:30-8:30

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Northside Activity enter representatives from local colleges will be present to share financial aid information

### Steps to getting Financial Aid

1. Remember the different types of financial aid:

\*Grants and scholarships are free money

\*Work-study means to work on campus to help pay for college cost

\*Loans must be paid back with interest.

2. Search for scholarships:

Use the scholarship page on the guidance and counseling webpage. Also contact the college scholarship office by phone or check on-line.

3. Check out loan repayment programs at [www.collegefortexans.com](http://www.collegefortexans.com)

4. Get a personal information number for the FAFSA @ [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)

5. Check college websites for financial aid deadlines.

6. After January 1, 2007 fill out the FAFSA as soon as possible @  
[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

Source: College Outlook @ [www.CollegeOutlook.net](http://www.CollegeOutlook.net)

### Stay secure: Prevent ID Theft

#### How can you protect yourself from identity theft?

- Protect your accounts with a password of made-up words or numbers.
- Do not use your mother's maiden name as a password or confirmation.
- Do not post personal information on blogging, instant messaging or shared websites.
- Be careful about giving out the following information home address, home and cell phone numbers, school you attend and your photo.
- If using a computer in a public place, make sure you log out.
- Never give out your social security number, credit card or bank numbers to an unsolicited e-mailer or caller even if they sound legitimate.
- Do not use your security number as an ID number
- If you have a credit card or loan, order a free copy of your credit report once a year. Visit [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com).

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