ARCHBISHOP RIORDAN HIGH SCHOOL



Thank you for attending last night! Here are a few questions and answers from our chat box that apply to the entire class. Please reach out to Mrs. Nagar (mnagar@riordanhs.org), Mr. Williams (mwilliams@riordanhs.org) or Mrs. Martinez (vamartinez@riordanhs.org) if you have any further questions.

Can the parents get the Weekly Senior Newsletter too?

Yes definitely! Please remind your student to check their emails daily.

How many teacher recommendations should my child request and submit?

1-2 recommendations. The teacher recommendation has more information which can be found here.

Will the Friday College Application Workshops be taped and available on-line for students and parents?

Yes. Workshops will be recorded and students can access them via google drive using their Riordan account. Recordings are located on the <u>College Website</u>, but you can also access them by clicking <u>here</u>.

Any advantages for applying Early Decision?

Students should only apply for Early Decision (a binding agreement) if they are 100% on attending the college/university and the family is confident they will be provided with a financial aid package they can afford (net price calculators are helpful for this). Generally speaking, we encourage students to apply early action (non-binding) when a student feels positive about their application i.e. does not need senior fall grades to help boost gpa/show improvement or need senior year recommendations. Applying Early Action can help a student complete their applications sooner. It is also a great motivator for students to get acceptances in December!

Do we get access to Scoir for parent statements through our student or separately?

Your student can invite a parent to create an account and you can access the parent survey. We will also email the survey to families via the next newsletter so they can email it back to us.

What time are the Friday workshops? *12-1pm*

Do you have a list of local scholarships? Yes - please find a list of scholarships<u>here.</u>

Can some of my student's recommendations be teachers from Mercy or my former school? Do they need to go through SCOIR?

Yes they can. We recommend they send the recommendation to us and we can send them on your student's behalf. Please have the outside recommendation letters emailed to us from the teacher. The college counselor will then upload the recommendation letter and send them to all of your colleges through the SCOIR system.