



## College Application Month Frequently Asked Questions-Student & Family

1. What is North Carolina College Application Month?
  - a. North Carolina College Application Month is a statewide college access initiative designed to provide every NC graduating senior the opportunity to apply to college online through CFNC.org. Particular focus is placed on first generation students and students who might not have seriously considered their education past high school. The event is co-sponsored by College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) and the Carolinas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (CACRAO).
  
2. What are the dates and times of CAM?
  - a. North Carolina College Application Month 2017 starts on Saturday, October 28 at 7am and ends on Friday, November 24 at 5pm. This is a month long initiative with the actual week of applying to colleges occurring during week 3, November 13<sup>th</sup> -November 17<sup>th</sup>. Any applications submitted before or after week 3 will not have the various fee waiver options and will not be included in the official reporting of the event. The end date and time is especially important to keep in mind if students are finishing their applications at home on Friday.
  
3. How do I find out if my high school is registered for CAM?
  - a. On the CAM For Students page, [NC College Application Month](#), there is a list of currently registered schools/sites. This list is updated on a weekly basis leading up to the event.
  
4. What do I do if my high school isn't registered for the event?
  - a. If your high school isn't registered for the event, talk with your school counselor. Only school personnel can register their school for CAM, students and family members cannot.
  
5. What do I need to do before I can participate?
  - a. To participate, you must have an updated and accurate CFNC.org account. Make sure the name you list is your legal name (the same name that shows up on your report card and in NC WISE) and that you list your NC Student Identification Number (if you want to send electronic transcripts (ask your school counselor if you do not know your number). Also, research colleges and universities prior to the event to find out what schools offer the "best fit." For more assistance, see the downloadable document, "Updating Your CFNC.org Profile," on the CAM For Students page ([NC College Application Month](#)).
  
6. How do application fees fit into this event?
  - a. This year, and many of the previous years, all 110 North Carolina colleges and universities have agreed to accept the College Board fee waiver for students who are eligible. Additionally, some schools have decided to go above and beyond and outright waive their application fees for all students applying during CAM. To



see a complete list of schools participating, please see “NC College Application Fes for CAM” downloadable document on the CAM For Students page ([NC College Application Month](#)).

What is the College Board fee waiver?

- b. College Board fee waivers is available through the College Board and are distributed electronically to students. ACT also provides students who have requested an ACT test fee waiver with an application fee waiver form that must be submitted along with a completed application, though each college decides individually whether or not it will grant a waiver requested through this process. Typically, students who are eligible for the SAT and ACT waivers are able to obtain application fee waivers. For more information, please see the [CAM Application Fee Waiver Information](#) document.
7. How do I send electronic transcripts during this event?
  - a. North Carolina students can request a high school transcript when applying to colleges online or directly via the Application Hub. All 110 participating colleges and universities on CFNC.org accept electronic transcripts. In order to qualify to send your transcripts online, you must be currently attending a participating public high school in North Carolina and you must make sure information is entered in the “this is me” section of your CFNC.org account exactly as it appears in NC Student Identification Number system (formerly NC WISE System). The specific fields that must match NC Student Identification Number system are Student First and Last Name, NC Student Identification Number, date of birth, and gender. Your email address must also be an active account that they check frequently and your current high school must be selected as the Primary Connection. For more assistance, see the downloadable document, “Updating Your CFNC.org Account,” on the CAM For Students page ([NC College Application Month](#)).
8. How many applications can I fill out during CAM?
  - a. The number of applications is only limited by you; the event has no limit. However, it is stressed that you only apply to schools that are a “best fit” (financially, academically, and culturally). Applying to college is only the first step. We want you to get accepted, to enroll, and to be successful and graduate. The best way to ensure this path is to only apply to schools that are a “best fit.” If applying to schools using the College Board fee waiver, there is typically a maximum number of fee waivers an individual is eligible for, which might limit the number of applications submitted.
9. What should I do after CAM?
  - a. Make sure you follow up with application fees or College Board fee waivers (if applicable), print off the confirmation page, send test scores and transcripts. The downloadable document “I applied! Now what?” specifically outlines post-application steps. This document is available on the CAM For Students page, [NC College Application Month](#)



10. Who should I contact if I have a question about the event?
  - a. Most answers can be found on the [CFNC.org](http://CFNC.org) CAM sites or by talking with your school counselor or college advisor. You can also contact the CFNC, toll free at 866-866-CFNC and select option “1” for assistance.