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COMMON APP READY

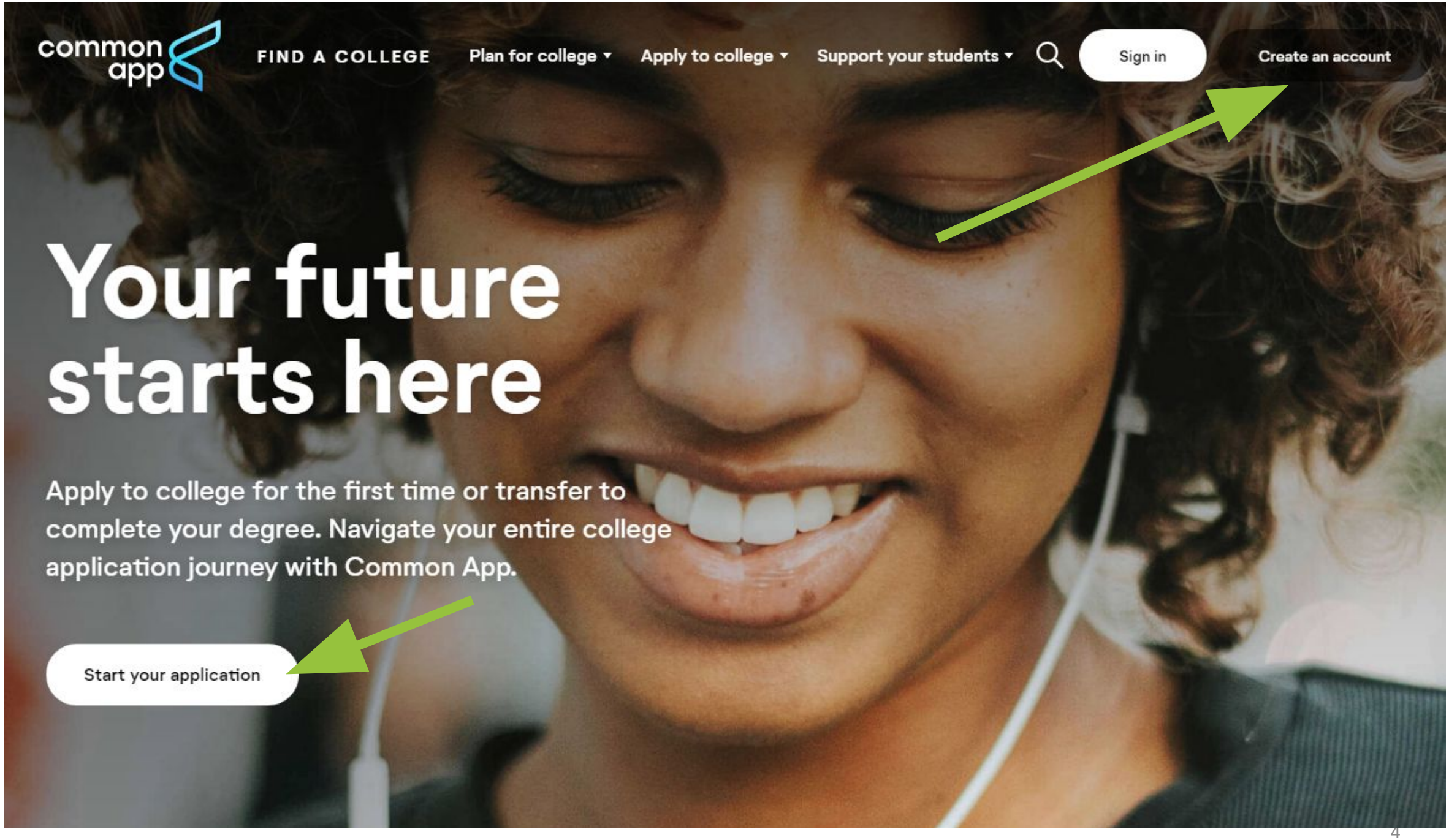
Getting Started

GETTING **STARTED** AGENDA

- Creating Your Account
- Common App Layout
- Searching for & Adding Colleges

CREATING YOUR **ACCOUNT**

Creating a Common App account is easy! Simply go to commonapp.org and click the *Create Account* or *Apply Now* buttons to get started.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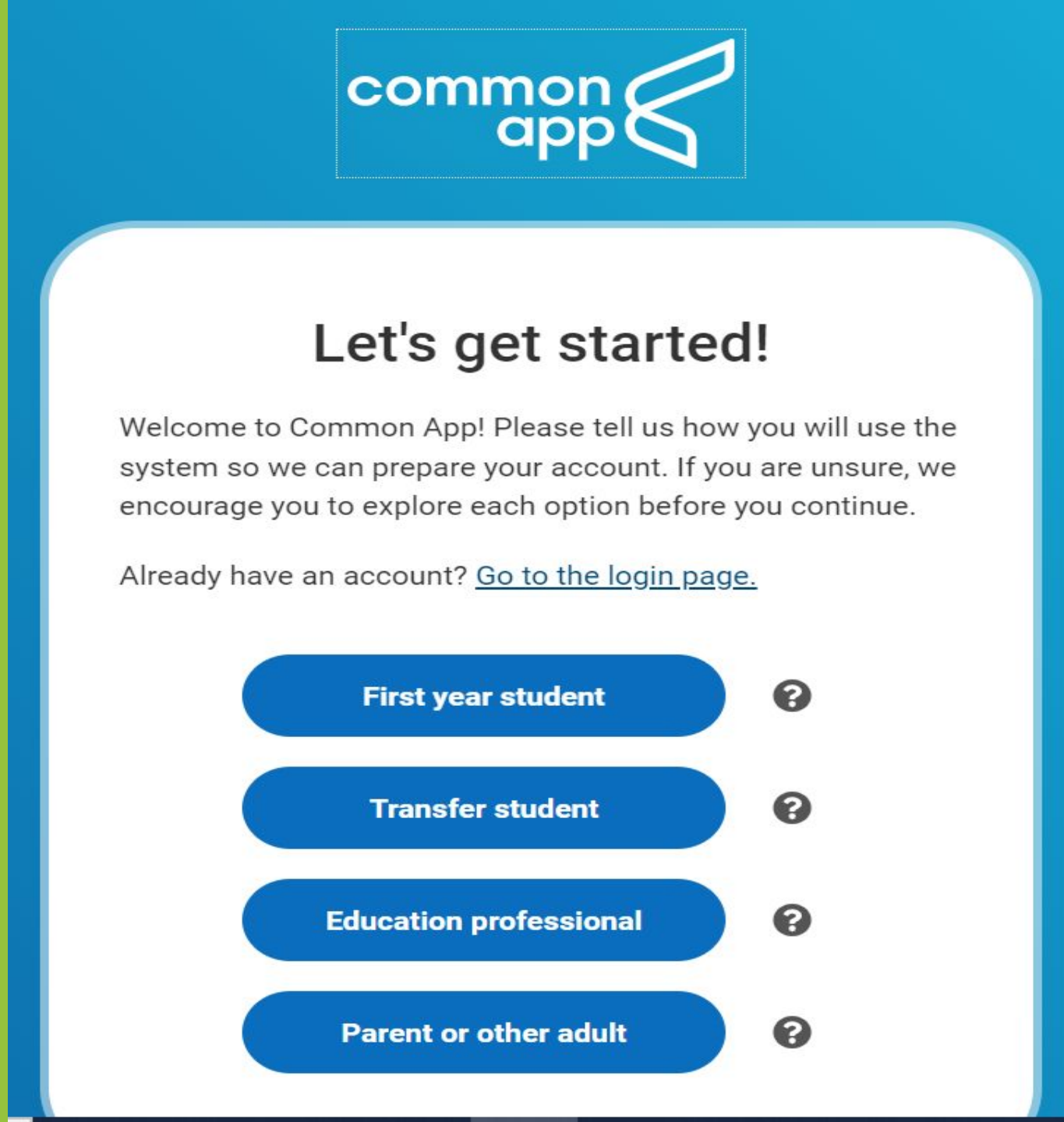
FIND A COLLEGE
Plan for college
Apply to college
Support your students
Sign in
Create an account
Your future starts here
Apply to college for the first time or transfer to complete your degree. Navigate your entire college application journey with Common App.
Start your application

Then follow these three simple steps to create your account.

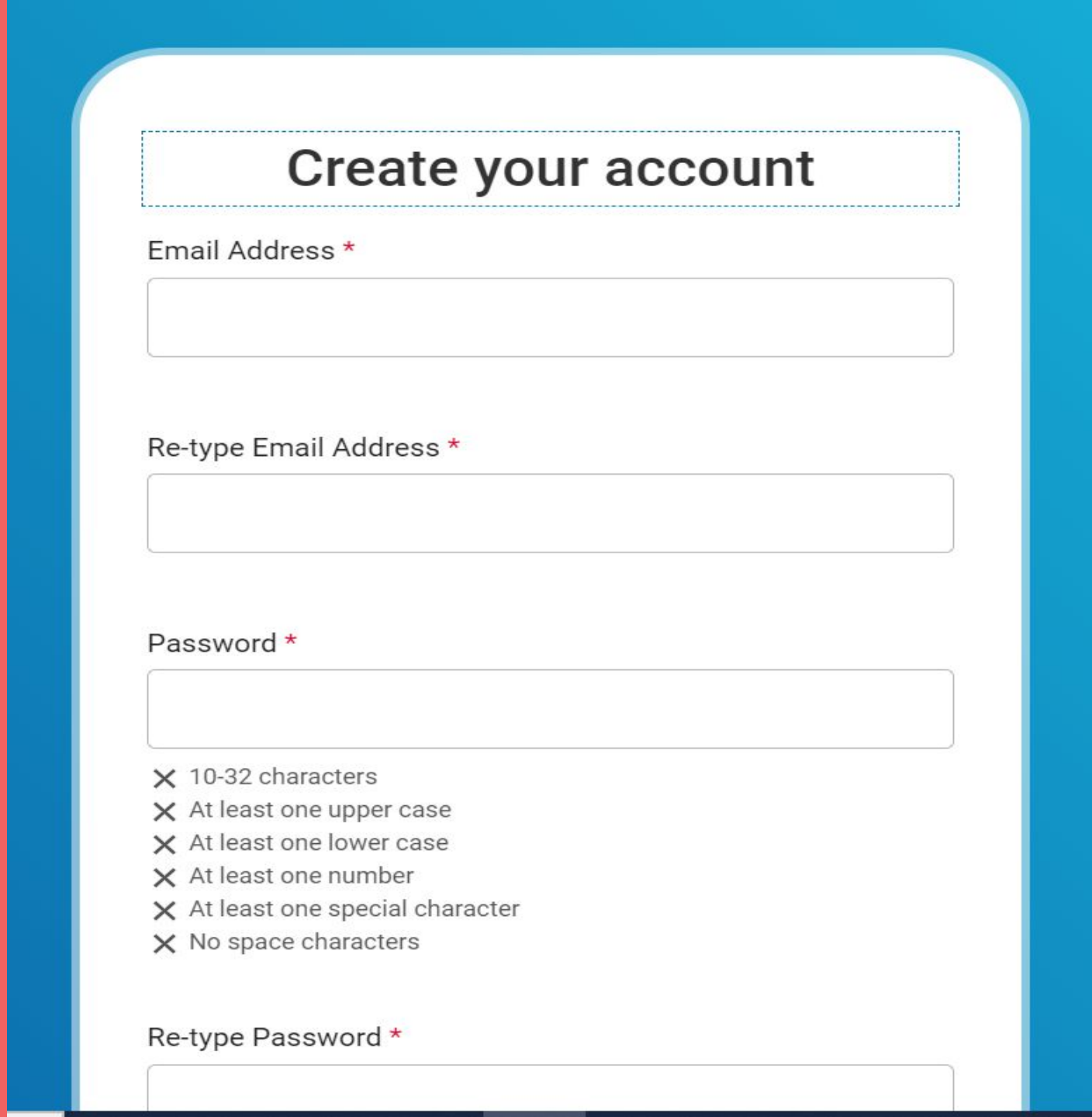
Account Creation Steps:

1. Registration Type
2. Login Credentials
3. Registration Information

1. REGISTRATION TYPE



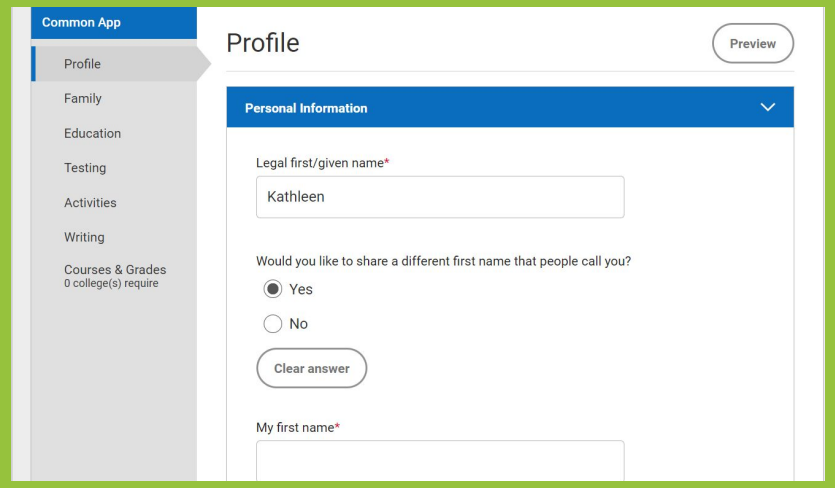
2. LOGIN CREDENTIALS

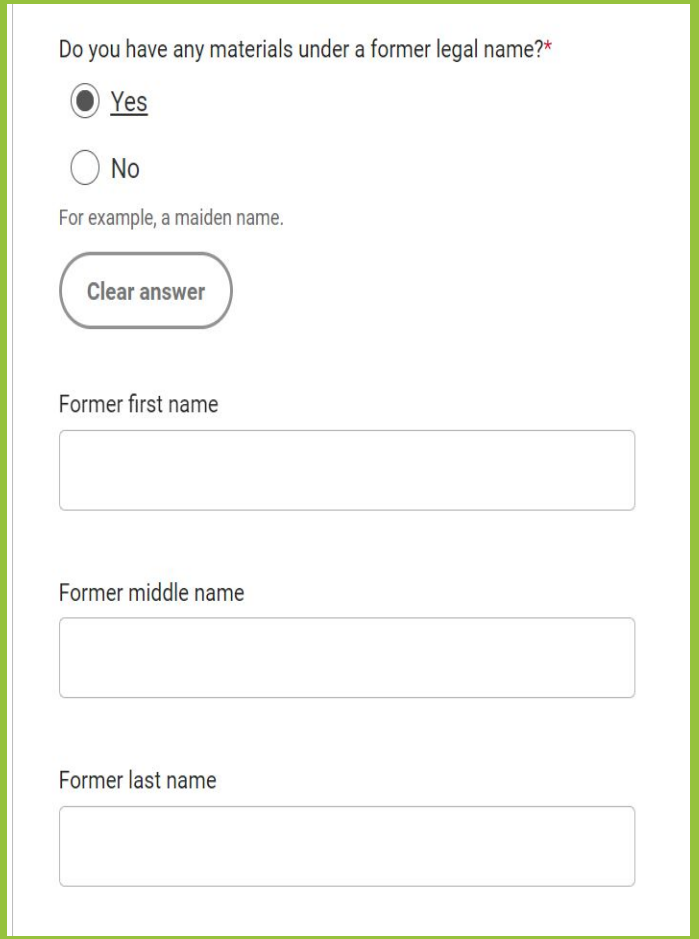


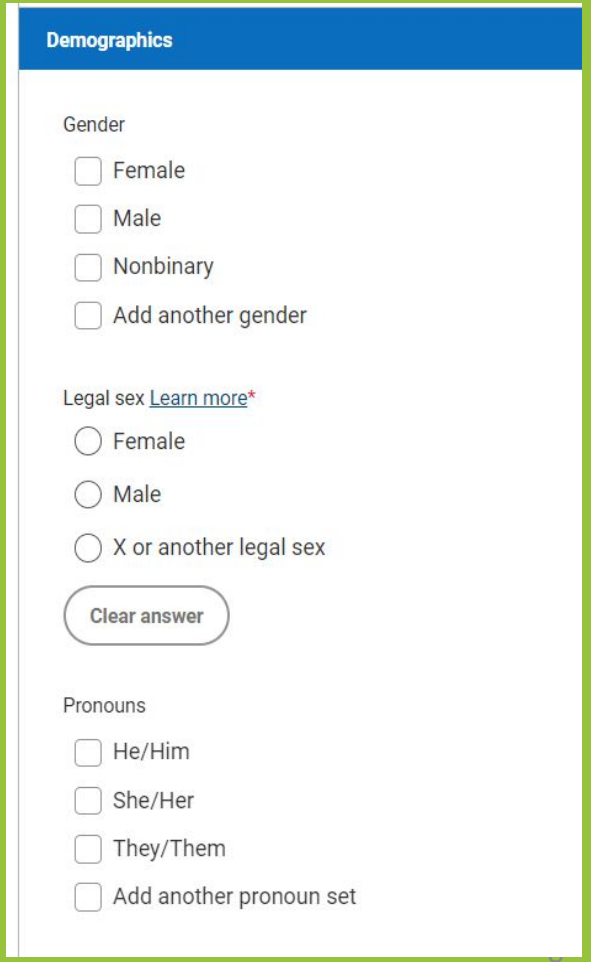
3. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Common App changes beginning August 1

Common App has several changes planned for the 2023–2024 application season, including updated gender identity options. Common App will add ‘X’ or ‘another legal sex’ as an option in addition to ‘female’ and ‘male,’ similar to the addition of ‘X’ as a legal sex indicator on U.S. passports. This builds upon last year's update, which included the introduction of a question allowing applicants to share their preferred first name and select their pronoun set, among other changes.







COMMON APP **LAYOUT**

The Common App is divided into four tabs:

- Dashboard
- My Colleges
- Common App
- College Search
- Financial Aid Resources

Dashboard | My Colleges | Common App | College Search | Financial Aid Resources

Welcome, Kara!

Congratulations on taking this first step in the college application process!

Here are some tips to get you started:

- This tab is your Dashboard. After you add a college to your list, you will see your application progress here.
- All colleges will need you to answer the common questions under your Common App tab.
- To apply to a college, head over to the College Search tab.
- Once you have added a college, you can complete and submit your application in the My Colleges tab.

We are here to help you every step of the way! If you run into any questions or you need some help, check out our 24/7 Applicant Solutions Center or contact us at any time.

Need help?

How can I add a college to my Dashboard?

You can add a college from the **College Search** tab.

Then follow these steps:

Read more

How can I remove a school from my Dashboard?

You can remove a school by clicking the X icon on the school name line on the **Dashboard**. However, a

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How many colleges can I add to my Dashboard?

The Common Application member colleges have stipulated that applicants may add up to 20 colleges.

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Welcome, Jane!
First Year | **CAID 16102925**

Sign Out

Dashboard | My Colleges | Common App | College Search

Welcome!

Common App dashboard is the central location to monitor your
quirements, and progress. The menu across the top will
system to complete your application components.

ation questions on the Common App tab
llege Search tab
Center on the right side bar

Once you have added colleges, you will see them displayed here on the Dashboard and be able to review requirements specific to each of them on the My Colleges tab.

Search for and add colleges to your My Colleges list in the College Search tab.

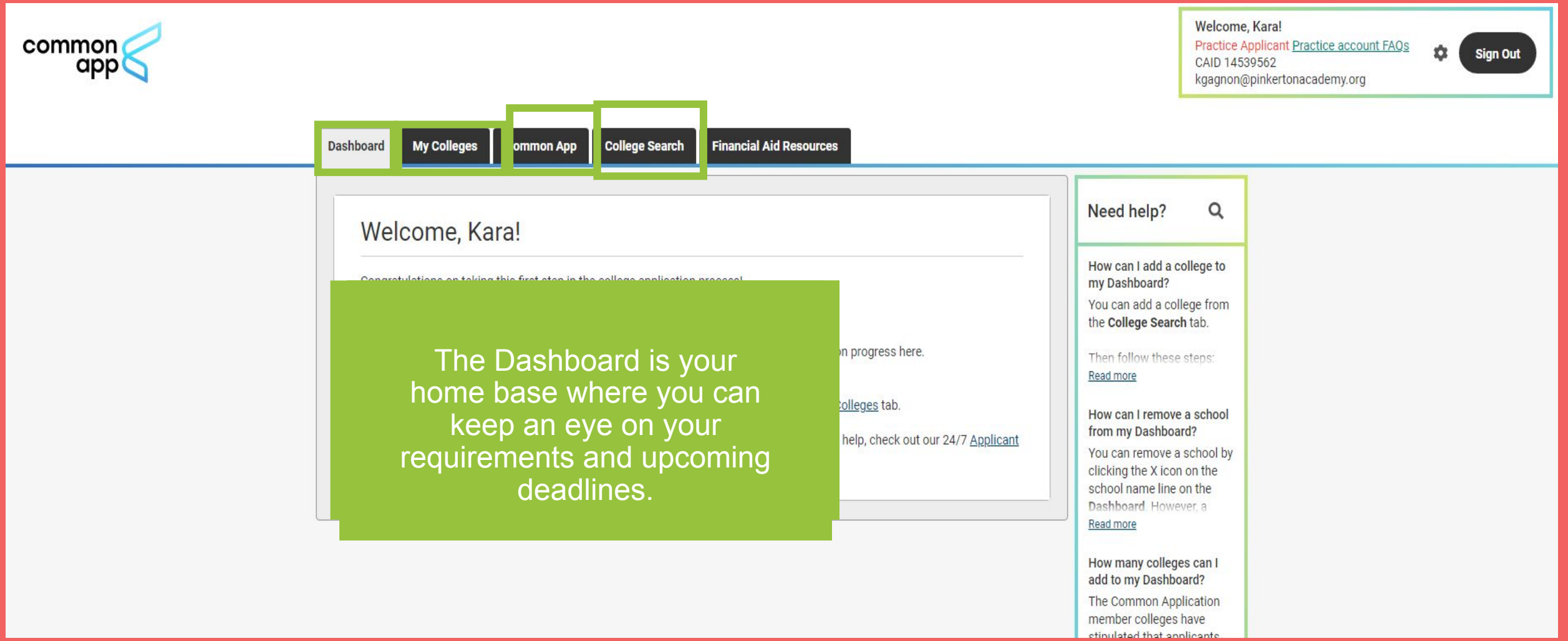
Instructions and Help

What are the Writing Requirements?

You can click on the Writing Requirements tab to understand what different colleges expect of you w ... [+]

Please check the requirements for each school on their specific page. Click on the name of the s ... [+]

Check out our Common App Tour video for more info!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The Dashboard is your home base where you can keep an eye on your requirements and upcoming deadlines.

SEARCHING FOR & **ADDING** COLLEGES

With nearly 1500 colleges in the Common Application, there's one that's right for you! Use the College Search tab to explore, learn, and add colleges to your list.

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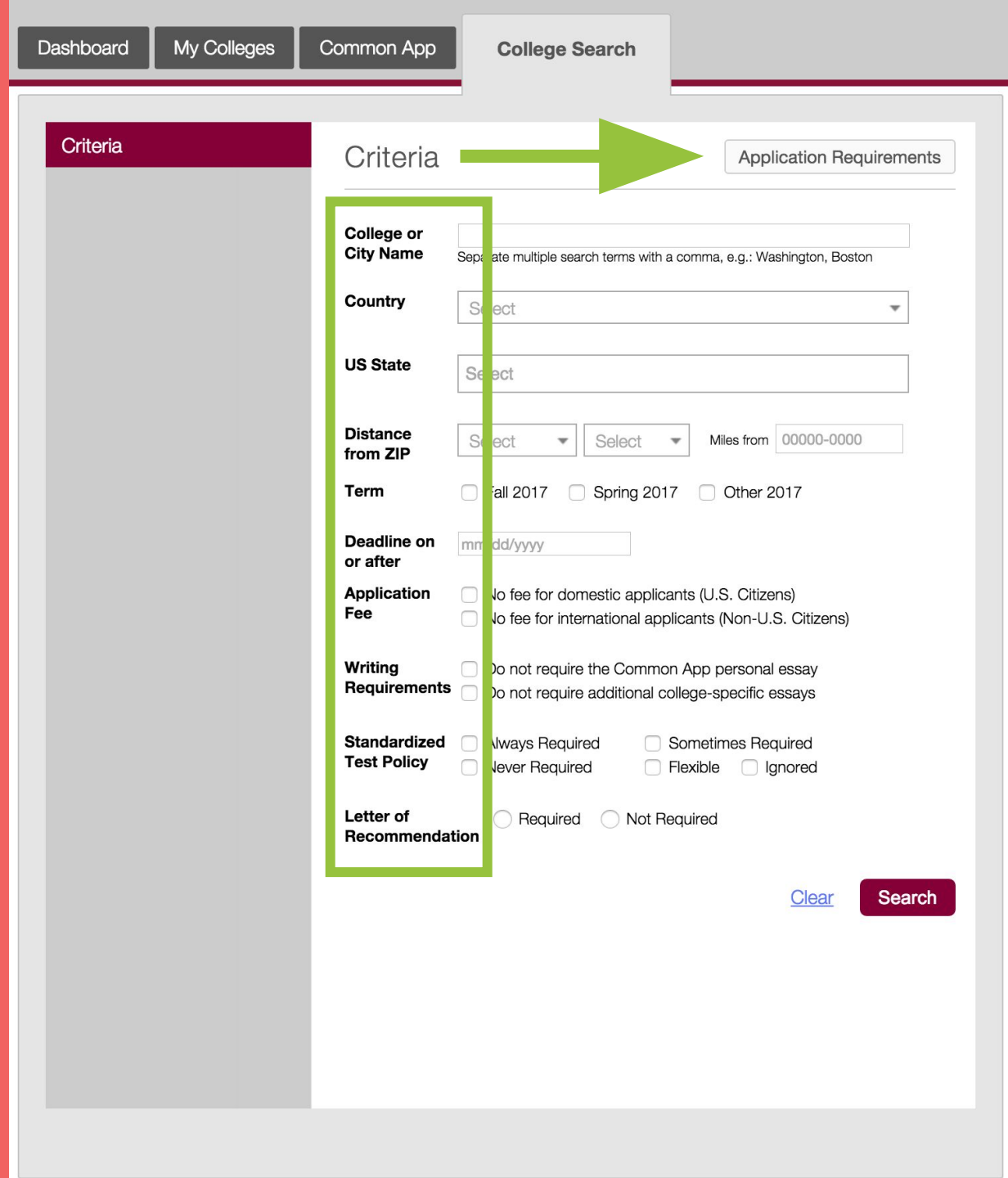
THE COLLEGE SEARCH TAB



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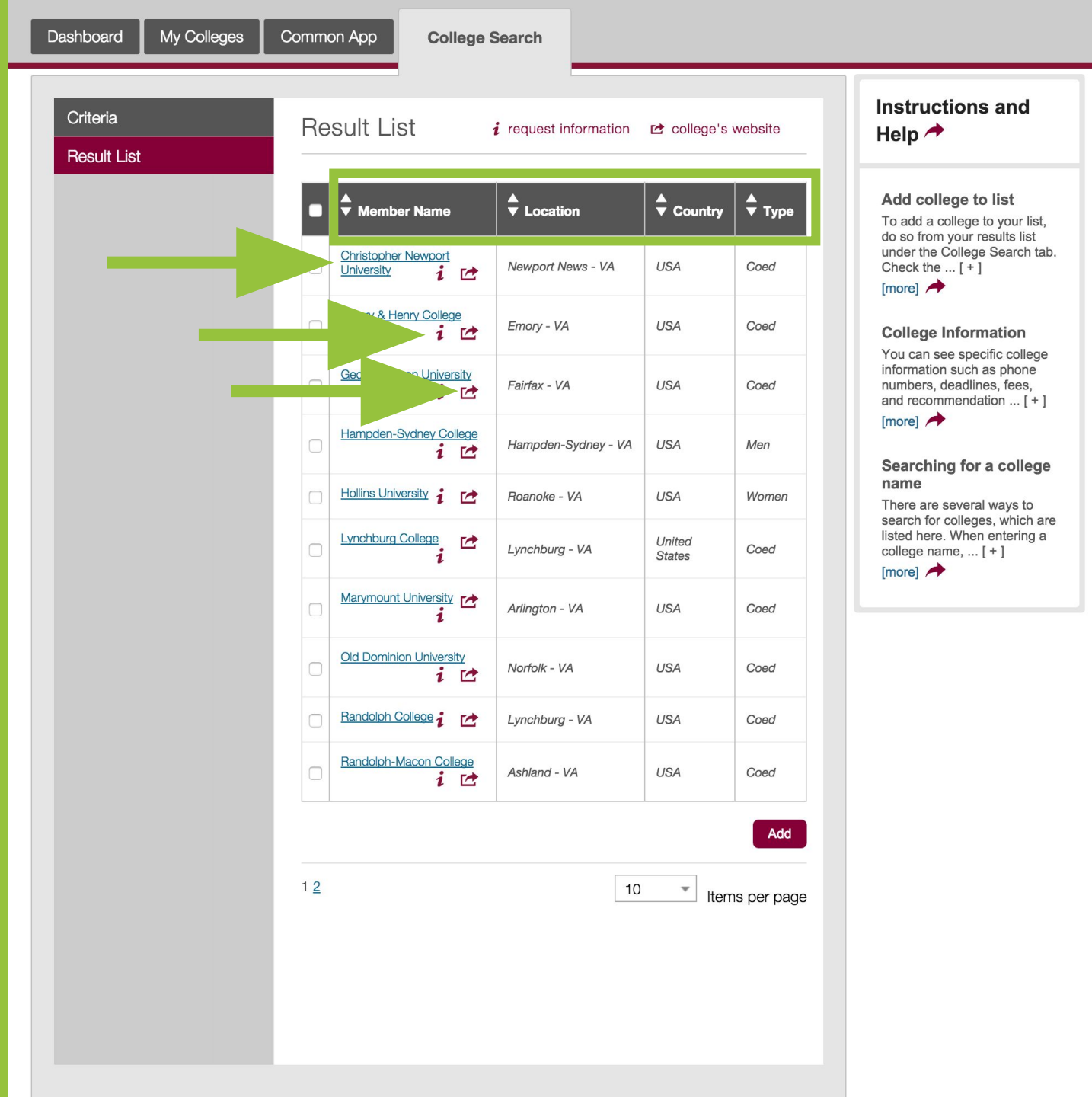
RESULTS LIST



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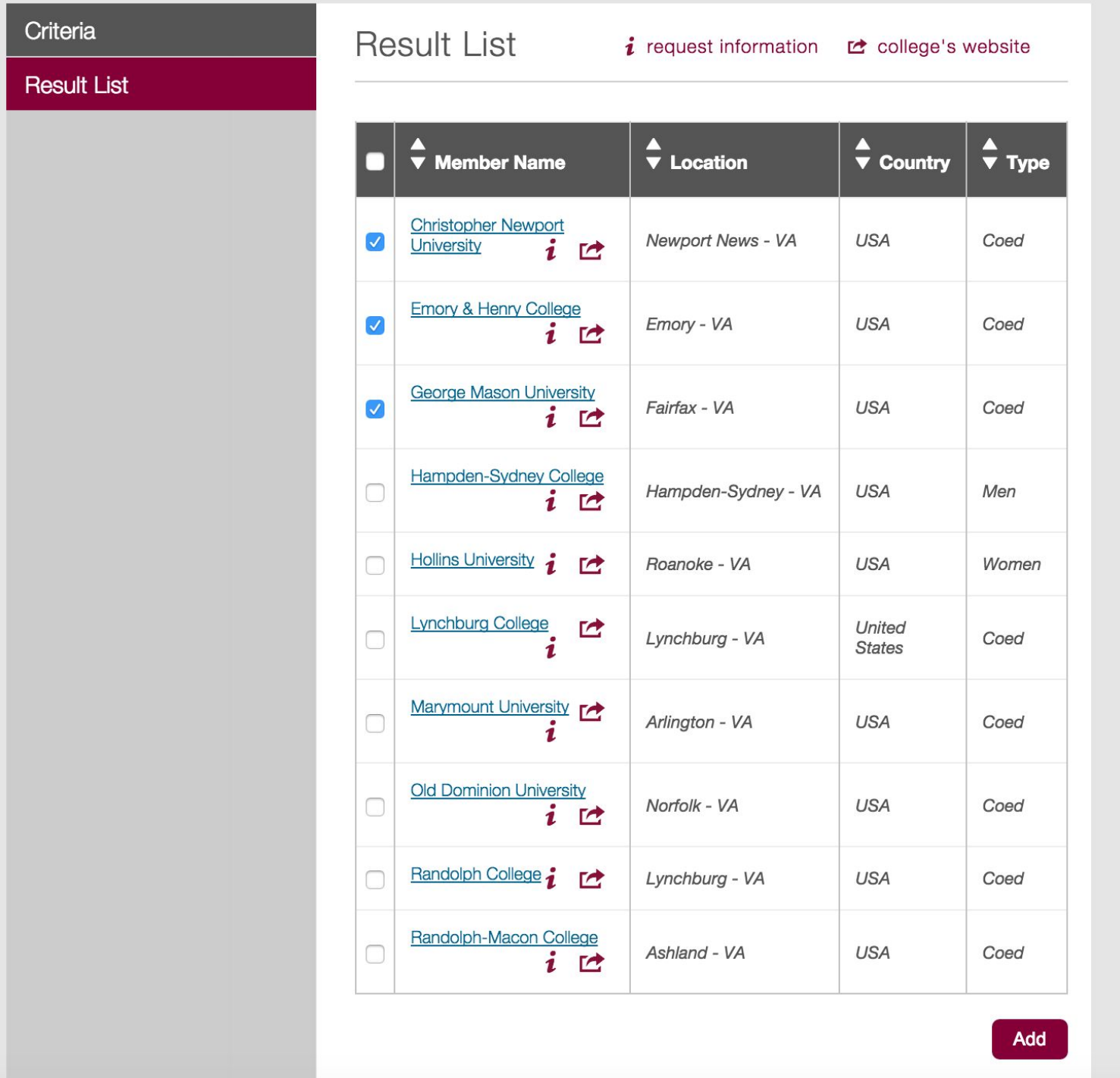
ADDING SCHOOLS



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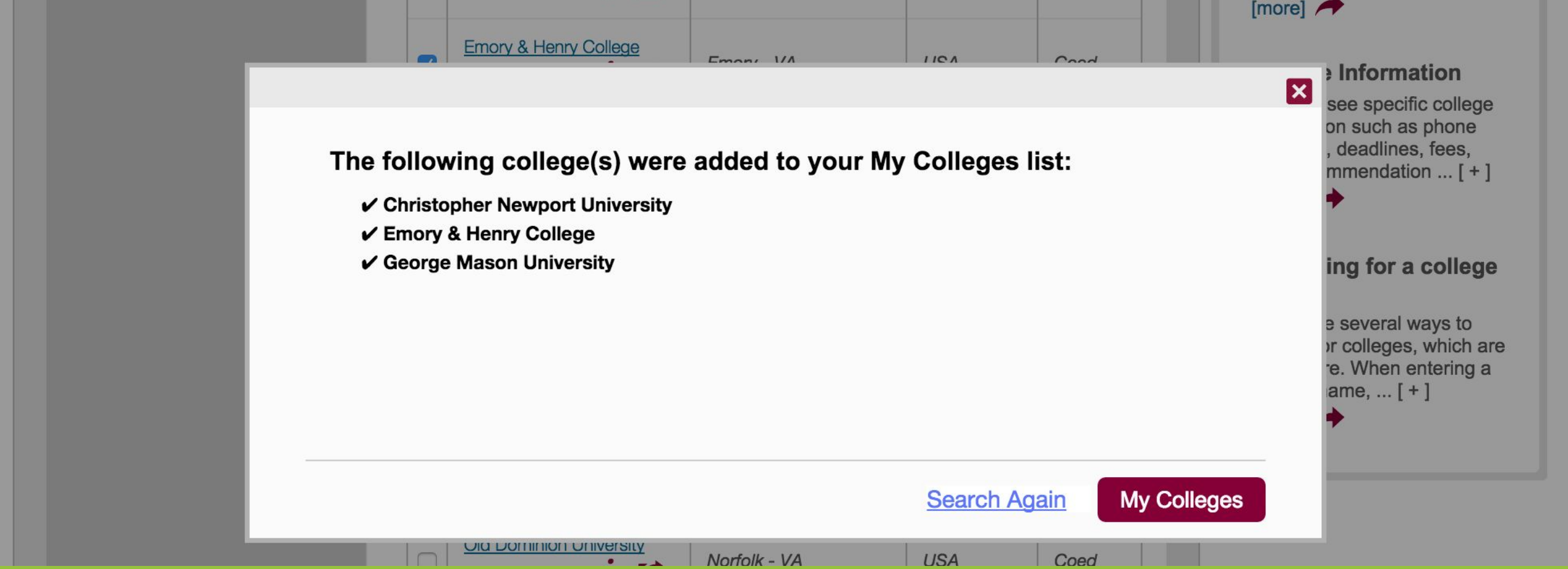

SUCCESS!

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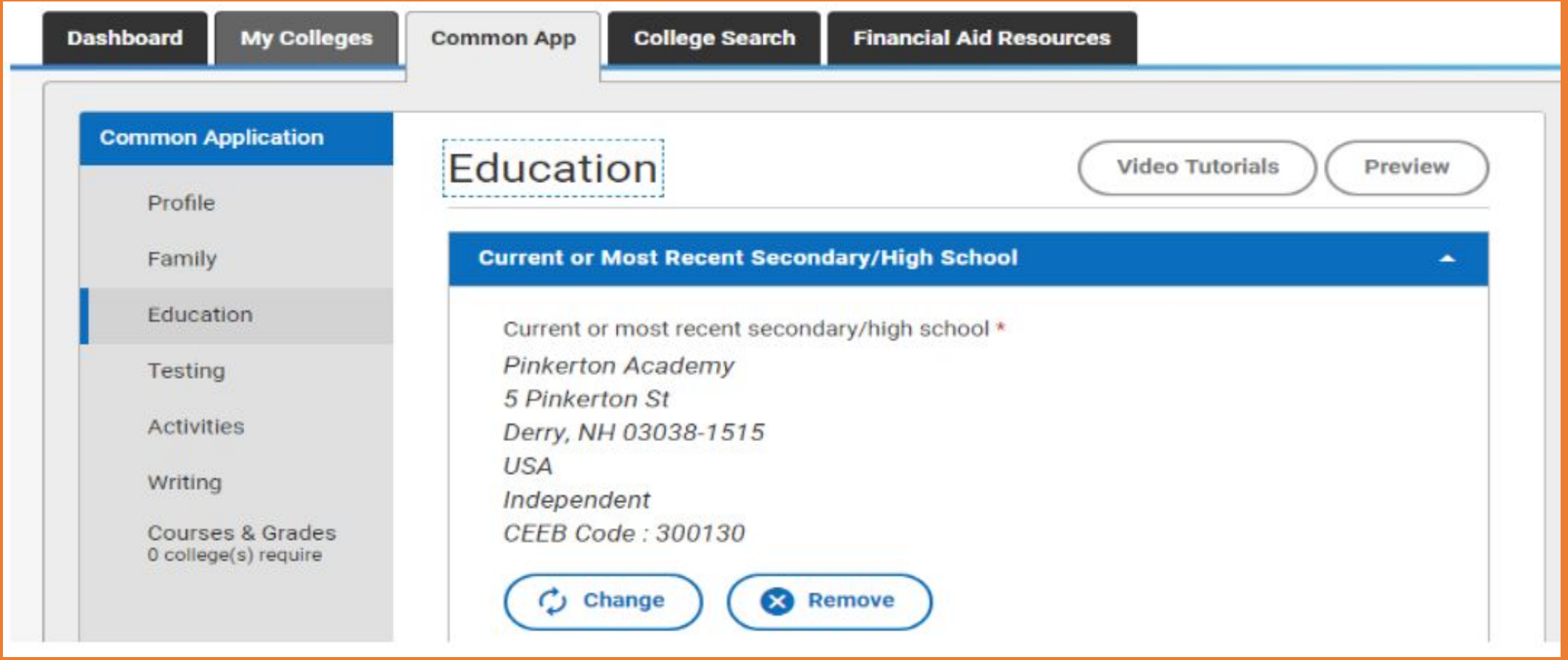
Link your Common App to your Naviance Account.

Pinkerton Academy must be listed as your attending High School



The FERPA Release Authorization needs to be signed.

- Once this is done, log into Naviance, click Colleges I am applying to, click Match
- Click Match Accounts, it will bring you to Common App and check off I agree and Connect and follow the prompts

LEARN MORE

GATHER YOUR MATERIALS

Important information you'll need for your application.

TIPS & BEST PRACTICES

Best practices to keep in mind as you complete your applications.

COMMON APP TOUR

Learn how to navigate the Common App.

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