

# College

Fall Senior Presentation

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# Scoir

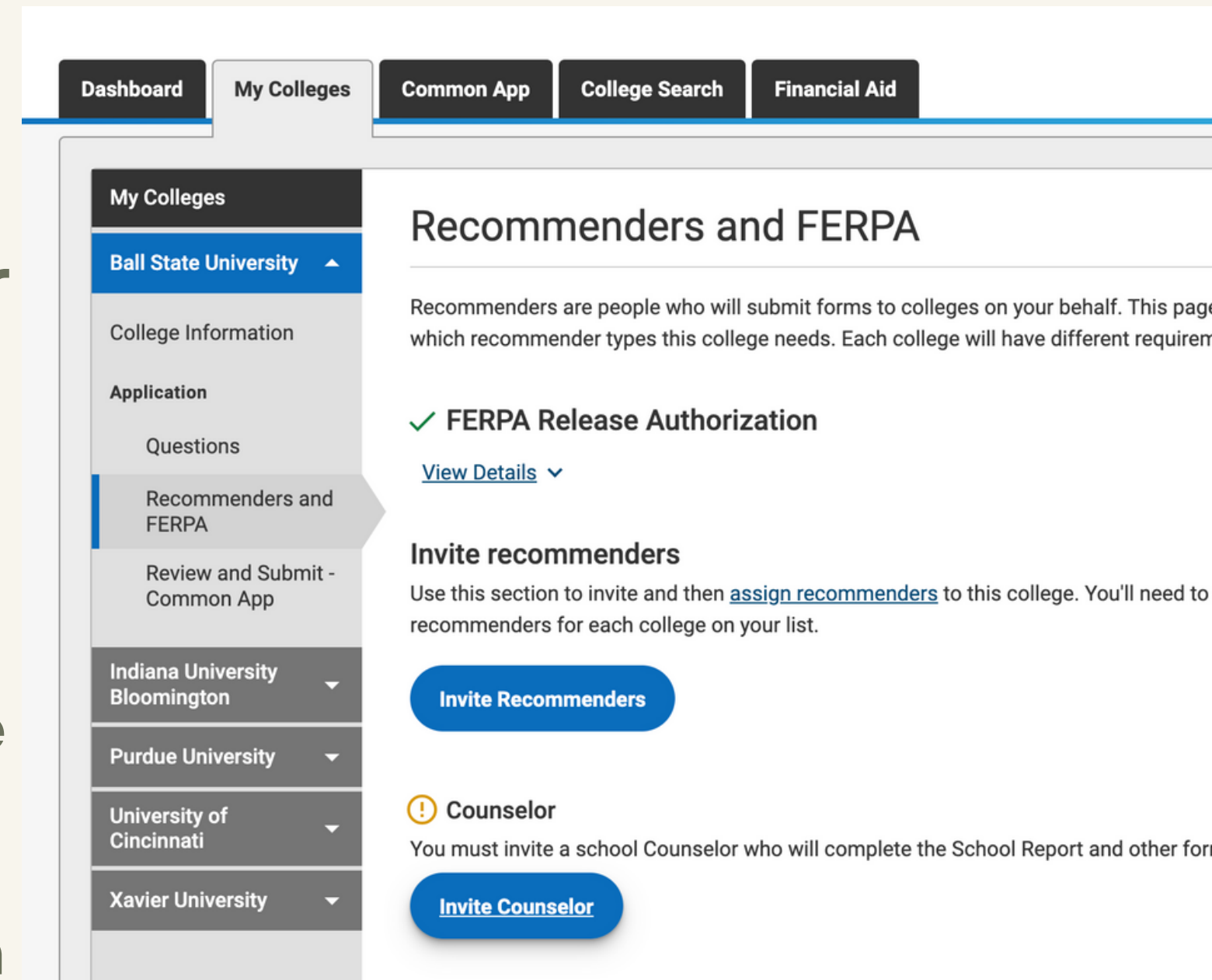
1. Please be sure you have logged into Scoir. If you can't log-in or don't have an account- come see me **today** so we can get you set up!
  - a. consider downloading the Scoir app as well
2. Get in the habit of checking your Scoir Drive for resources and helpful information.

# • Scoir vs Common App

- The Common Application is the platform you should actually submit applications through.

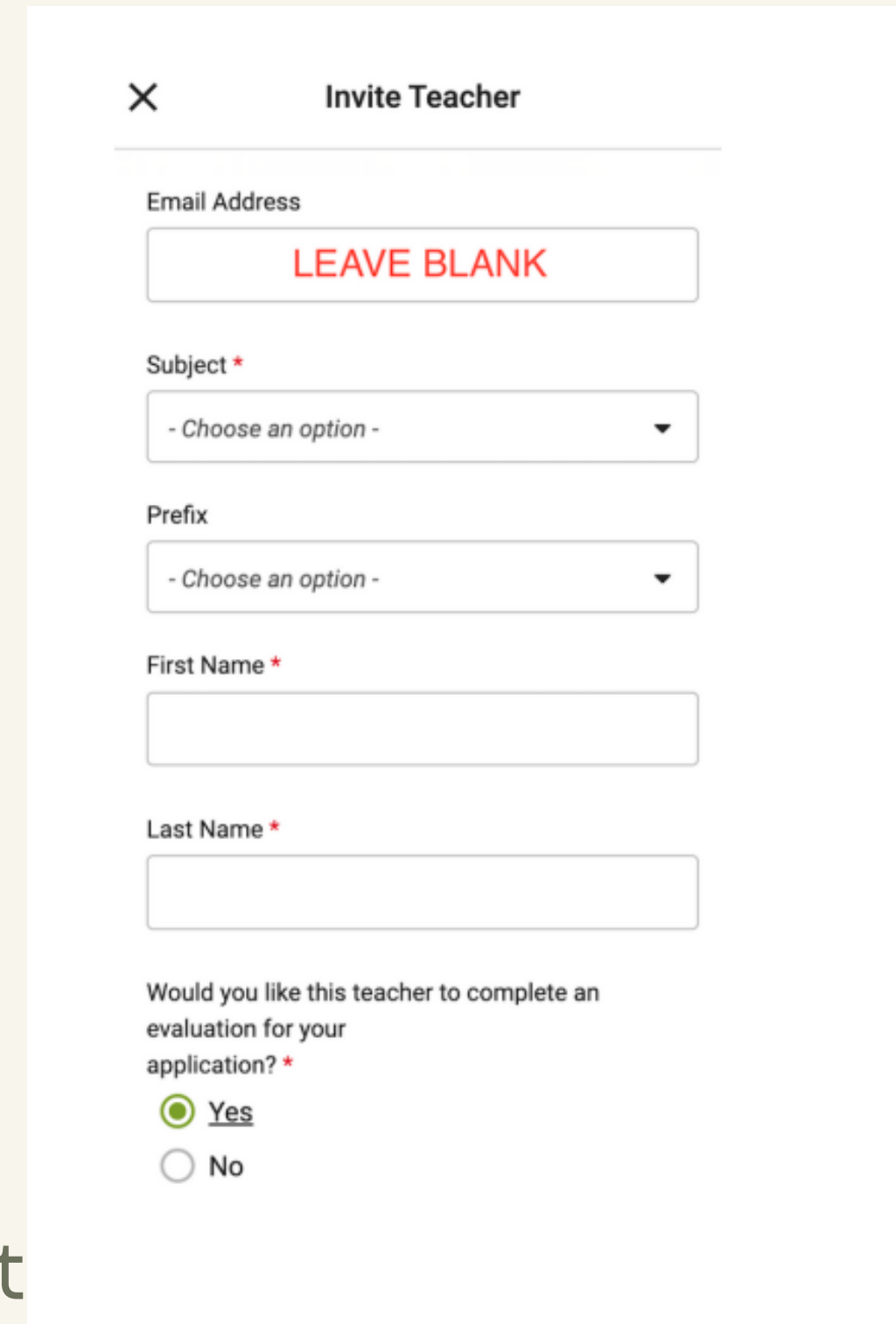
- **Be sure you add me as your counselor on the Common App**

- Scoir is where all of your documents will be sent from (Letters of Rec, Transcripts, BCHS School Report, etc.). It is kind of like a "digital filing cabinet" that holds important documents that come through our office to go to colleges.



# Letters of Recommendation (LOR)

1. Update your "activities and achievements" page on Scoir
2. **Complete the "letter of recommendation survey" under your "Me" tab on Scoir** (teachers & counselors expect this before writing letters!)
3. Be sure you read the letters of recommendation guidelines I sent on July 31st (it is also in your Scoir drive).
4. If someone from outside of BCHS is going to write you a letter, have them send it to me, and I will upload it into your Scoir account! (it CANNOT go through you!)



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Invite Teacher" with a close button (X) in the top left corner. The form contains the following fields and options:

- Email Address:** A text input field with the placeholder text "LEAVE BLANK" in red.
- Subject \*:** A dropdown menu with the placeholder text "- Choose an option -".
- Prefix:** A dropdown menu with the placeholder text "- Choose an option -".
- First Name \*:** A text input field.
- Last Name \*:** A text input field.
- Would you like this teacher to complete an evaluation for your application? \*:** A question with two radio button options: "Yes" (which is selected) and "No".

# Requesting Transcripts

- **As you decide where you are going to send in applications, be sure you are moving schools from the "following" to "applying" column in Scoir.**
- College applications are going to require "official" transcripts.
  - That means the document cannot pass through your hands, it has to come straight from our office, which is what Scoir is for! If it is an "unofficial" transcript, I can send it through you. Typically, transcript requests are "official" unless otherwise indicated.
- If you want to play sports, you need to fill out a records release form so I have permission to send your transcripts (this is in your Scoir Drive)

# Scholarships and Financial Aid

1. **NOW** is the time to start looking for scholarships- do not wait until you get your financial aid package in the Spring to start looking.
2. The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) opens this Fall. The FAFSA is changing this year, so more info will be sent out later in the semester.
3. Some schools have a CSS Profile (College Scholarship Service) which is to award non-federal aid from that school. Complete that if they have it.

# College Fair and College Visits

1. The Hamilton County College Fair is September 12th!
2. Sign-up for at least 1 college rep visit this semester in Scoir, though you can sign up for as many as you like!
3. You get 2 excused absences to go and visit colleges
4. October 3rd after Living Rosary and October 11th (PSAT day) are great opportunities for colleges visits!

# SAT

If you are interested in taking the SAT at school on Wednesday, October 11th, please fill out the form in the most recent email from Mrs. Saurine by August 30th.

Colleges sometimes have listed on their admissions page the latest ACT/SAT date you can take and still be considered for admission.

Also a great college visit day!



# Action Items by the end of August

1. Create a Common Application Account and add Mrs. Saurine as your counselor
2. Complete the FERPA Waiver in Scoir and Common App
3. Complete the LOR survey in Scoir
4. Request teacher LOR in Scoir
5. Decide if you want to retake the SAT. If so, sign up and bring payment by August 30th
6. Look at College Rep Calendar in Scoir and sign up for at least one college visit. Most locations for presentations are TBD.
7. Sign-up for a meeting with Mrs. Saurine!