



# How To Apply

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**PennState**  
Greater Allegheny



## There are three ways that you can apply for admission to Penn State:

- Use the Penn State application found at [admissions.psu.edu](https://admissions.psu.edu).
- Use the Coalition Application found at [coalitionforcollegeaccess.org](https://coalitionforcollegeaccess.org).
- Use the Common Application found at [commonapp.org](https://commonapp.org).

Regardless of the application you choose to use, you should create a MyPennState profile at [admission.psu.edu](https://admission.psu.edu). You will use this account to provide your Self-Reported Academic Record.

To receive the earliest possible notification of your admission and financial aid status, Penn State encourages you to file a completed application, including your Self-Reported Academic Record and test scores, by November 1 of your senior year.

## Apply to Penn State for free!

Step 1: Create a MyPennState profile at [admissions.psu.edu](https://admissions.psu.edu) and begin filling out your application online.

Step 2: When you get to the screen that asks for your credit card information: **STOP, DO NOT ENTER PAYMENT!** Save your application and continue to the next step.

Step 3: Email your MyPennState ID (it looks like xyz1234) to [psuga@psu.edu](mailto:psuga@psu.edu), and we'll waive your \$65 application fee. Once you receive an email confirmation that your fee has been waived, log back into your MyPennState account and submit your application.

In order to be considered for admission to Penn State, please make sure to fully submit the online application, complete the Self-Reported Academic Record and, if you chose for SAT/ACT test scores to be included in your evaluation, send your test scores to Penn State.

**\*NOTE\*:** We cannot refund any fees already paid and we cannot waive fees if you use the Common or Coalition application to apply.

# FAQs:

## **When is the application available?**

- Penn State's application is available August 1.
- The Early Action application deadline for first-year students is November 1.

If you choose not to file an Early Action application, we recommend that you submit your complete application, including all required materials, as soon as you can. Applications are still accepted after this date, but it may become more difficult to gain acceptance to your first choice of academic college or campus.

## **Why should I submit an Early Action application to Penn State?**

Early Action is a non-binding commitment by Penn State to respond to applicants earlier in the admission decision cycle. If you submit a complete application by the Early Action deadline of November 1, you will receive an admissions decision by December 24 and be included in the earliest awards for financial aid, which begin in early-February. You still have until May 1 to commit to Penn State and pay your enrollment deposit.

## **What is a Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR)?**

SRAR is an on line form that you use to submit your high school academic information to Penn State. You can access SRAR through MyPennState. You will need a copy of your high school transcripts to complete SRAR, but please note that Penn State no longer requires or accepts high school transcripts during this stage of the application process. Please visit [admissions.psu.edu/apply/srar](https://admissions.psu.edu/apply/srar) for more information.

## **After completing the application, what's next?**

We encourage you and members of your family to visit the campuses you are considering. Visit programs vary from campus to campus, so you should contact the admissions office at your campuses of choice for specific information, or go to [admissions.psu.edu](https://admissions.psu.edu).

## **How do I send my SAT or ACT test scores to Penn State if I chose for my application to be reviewed with test scores?**

Have your official SAT or ACT scores sent to Penn State directly from the testing service (College Board or ACT) by using Penn State's SAT code: 2660 or Penn State's ACT code: 3656.



# Enrollment Timeline

<b>August 1:</b>	Applications for undergraduate admission become available for high school seniors at <a href="https://admissions.psu.edu">admissions.psu.edu</a> .
<b>Late September:</b>	Admissions decision notifications for some campuses start being released via postal mail and your MyPennState account.
<b>October 1:</b>	The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) becomes available at <a href="https://studentaid.gov">studentaid.gov</a>
<b>November 1:</b>	Penn State's Early Action filing deadline.
<b>December 1:</b>	FAFSA recommended filing date.
<b>December 24:</b>	Early Action applicants will receive an admissions decision.
<b>Early-February:</b>	Student aid awarding begins for applicants who have been offered admission.
<b>February-May:</b>	Accept your offer of admission via your MyPennState account and request a housing contract at <a href="https://eliving.psu.edu">eliving.psu.edu</a> .
<b>May 1:</b>	National Decision Day (enrollment deposits are due)!

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