

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Enrolling at Nazareth College

## How will I know if my application has been received?

You will receive email confirmation the admissions department received your application.

If you do not receive this email, below are some common reasons:

- The final "Click to Submit" on your Common Application may have been missed.
- We may have an email address that is either mistyped or inactive.
- The email may be in your email spam folder.

## Where can I confirm if my application is complete and determine which materials are missing?

Within 24 hours after Nazareth has imported your application, you will be able to check the status of your submitted application documents at [go.naz.edu/dashboard](https://go.naz.edu/dashboard). To login, enter the email you provided on your application and your date of birth. Please allow 2-3 business days for documents to be received and processed.

If you have trouble accessing [go.naz.edu/dashboard](https://go.naz.edu/dashboard), please contact the College's help desk for assistance at 585-389-2111.

## When and how will I learn of my admission decision?

Acceptance notifications are mailed beginning December 15 for Early Decision I, beginning January 25 for Early Decision II, and in early March for Regular Decision. It is important to note that we do not currently provide admission decisions via phone or email.

## Is early decision a binding agreement?

The Early Decision admission program is a good faith agreement between the College, the family, and the high school guidance office. The College commits to providing an expedited admission and financial aid process, the family commits to enrolling at the College if Nazareth is affordable and works within the resources of the family, and the guidance counselor commits to supporting the process along the timeline. There is not any legal or regulatory impact of applying Early Decision, but we expect those who apply Early Decision to continue their enrollment if accepted and affordable. Signing and submitting the Early Decision Agreement in the Common Application is the process that ensures there is a mutual understanding.

## When do I learn about scholarships and financial aid?

Early Decision applicants will receive all their financial aid and scholarship information with their admission decision. Regular Decision applicants will receive their complete financial aid packet within a week of their admission decision mailing.

## What are the most competitive programs for admission?

Because of fixed capacity, many academic majors and programs have a lower admission rate because of the demand and the limited number of available spaces. Although the list may change in a given year, biomedical sciences, 3+3 law program with Syracuse University, dance, music education, music performance, music therapy, musical theatre, nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech therapy are fixed capacity programs.

## Will I be at a disadvantage if I do not submit test scores?

Like other high-quality and socially responsible institutions, Nazareth College was one of the first colleges in the United States to move toward a test optional policy. We are very accustomed and successful in making admission decisions that include or do not include the SAT or ACT. If you decide not to submit scores, you ARE NOT disadvantaged in any way when it comes to admission or financial aid. Every year, about two-thirds of our applicants submit test scores and one-third do not; however, **SAT or ACT scores are a required component for nursing applications.**

## What if I need to make a change after I apply?

After submitting your application, use the First-Year Admissions Application Change Request Form online at [naz.edu/app-change](https://naz.edu/app-change) to change any of these items:

- your academic major
- your decision notification plan (Early Decision vs. Regular Decision)
- whether you want Nazareth to consider your test scores in the admission decision
- your mailing address

If you need to change something else, please email [appsprocessing@naz.edu](mailto:appsprocessing@naz.edu).

# APPLICATION PROCESS

Freshman Admission and Financial Aid Steps

## 1 CHOOSE AN APPLICATION TIMELINE [naz.edu/apply](https://naz.edu/apply)

### Early Decision

If Nazareth College is your first choice, we encourage you to apply Early Decision. Applying Early Decision (ED) expedites the process of applying, determining financial aid, and finding out if you're accepted. ED improves your chances for admission to a fixed-capacity program (e.g. physical therapy, occupational therapy, nursing, music therapy, music education, and speech therapy) and provides priority in housing selection.

Nazareth follows two timeline tracks for Early Decision:

- **Early Decision 1 (ED I):** App deadline November 15. Supporting application documents due December 1. Notification begins December 15.
- **Early Decision 2 (ED II):** App deadline January 10. Supporting application documents due February 1. Notification begins January 25.

### Regular Decision

The RD deadline is February 1. Notification begins early March.

## 3 COMPLETE THE FAFSA [naz.edu/fafsa](https://naz.edu/fafsa)

Available on October 1, the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) determines eligibility for all need-based aid, work-study, loan programs, and other need-based support. We encourage all families to submit the FAFSA regardless of their financial situation. In addition, if a family requests to have any of their financial aid or scholarship offering re-reviewed, we require the FAFSA as a part of that process. Note: If you are not a U.S. citizen or are unsure of your eligibility for federal student aid, please contact our Financial Aid Office to determine your eligibility ([finaid@naz.edu](mailto:finaid@naz.edu)).

## 4 AUDITION OR PORTFOLIO REVIEW [naz.edu/auditions](https://naz.edu/auditions) • [nazarethcollege.slideroom.com](https://nazarethcollege.slideroom.com)

Required for admission to Nazareth's visual and performing arts programs.

If pursuing a visual or performing arts major, follow steps one, two, and three and complete the required audition or portfolio review. (See Timeline Application Action Steps for available audition and portfolio review dates.) Register for yours at [naz.edu/auditions](https://naz.edu/auditions) and set up a free SlideRoom account at [nazarethcollege.slideroom.com](https://nazarethcollege.slideroom.com).

### Portfolio review required for:

- Art Education
- Studio Art (B.S., B.F.A.)
- Technical Production (B.F.A.)
- Visual Communication Design (B.S., B.F.A.)

### Auditions required for:

- Acting and Dance*
- Acting (B.F.A.)
- Dance Studies (B.S.)

### Theatre

- Musical Theatre (B.F.A.)
- Theatre Arts (B.A.)
- Theatre Arts with Elementary Education (B.S.)
- Theatre Arts with Adolescence Certification in English (B.A.)

### Music

- Music (B.A.)
- Music Business (B.S.)
- Music Composition (B.M.)
- Music Education (B.M.)
- Music Performance (B.M.)
- Music Therapy (B.M.)

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# TIMELINE

Admission and Financial Aid

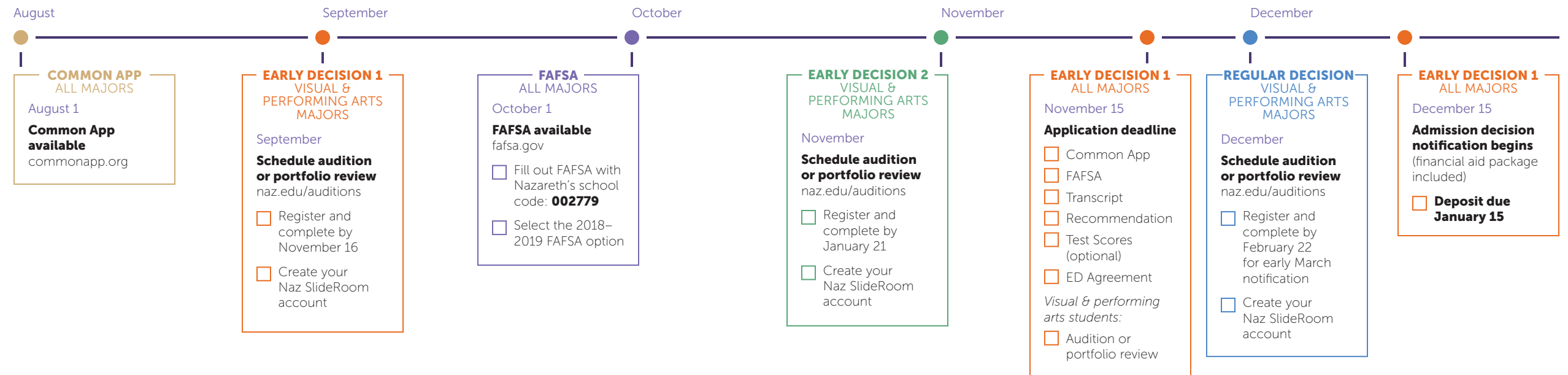
## APPLICATION ACTION STEPS

- Choose an application timeline
  - **Early Decision 1**  
November 15 application deadline
  - **Early Decision 2**  
January 10 application deadline
  - **Regular Decision**  
February 1 application deadline
- Complete the Common App  
Available August 1 at [commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org)
- Complete your FAFSA application  
Available October 1 at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov). Use Nazareth's school code 002779.

Required for Nazareth's visual and performing arts programs. Auditions and reviews are at Nazareth unless otherwise specified.

- Audition or portfolio review  
Select audition dates (listed below) and sign up online at [naz.edu/auditions](http://naz.edu/auditions).
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|--------------------|------------|
| <b>Music</b>       | <b>Art</b> |
| Oct. 26            | Oct. 26    |
| Nov. 3             | Nov. 16    |
| Nov. 16            | Dec. 7     |
| Dec. 7             | Jan. 21    |
| Jan. 21            | Feb. 18    |
| Jan. 25            | Feb. 22    |
| Feb. 15            | March 22   |
| Feb. 18            |            |
| Feb. 22            |            |
| March 22           |            |
| <b>Dance</b>       |            |
| Oct. 26            |            |
| Nov. 16            |            |
| Dec. 7             |            |
| Jan. 21            |            |
| Feb. 18            |            |
| Jan. 21            | March 22   |
| Jan. 19 & 20 (NYC) |            |
| Feb. 4-7 (Chicago) |            |
| Feb. 18            |            |
| March 22           |            |
| <b>Theatre</b>     |            |
| Nov. 16            |            |
| Dec. 7             |            |
| Jan. 21            |            |
| Jan. 19 & 20 (NYC) |            |
| Feb. 4-7 (Chicago) |            |
| Feb. 18            |            |
| March 22           |            |

## 2018



## 2019

