

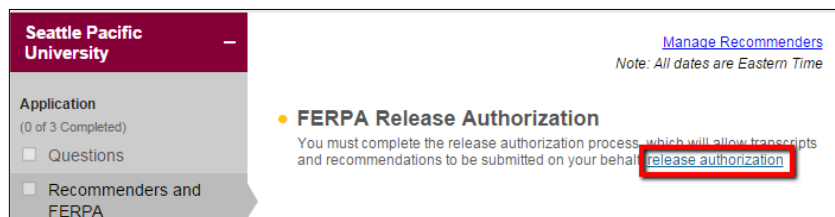
Match Common App & Family Connection Accounts

Are You Using the Common Application to Apply to Any Colleges?

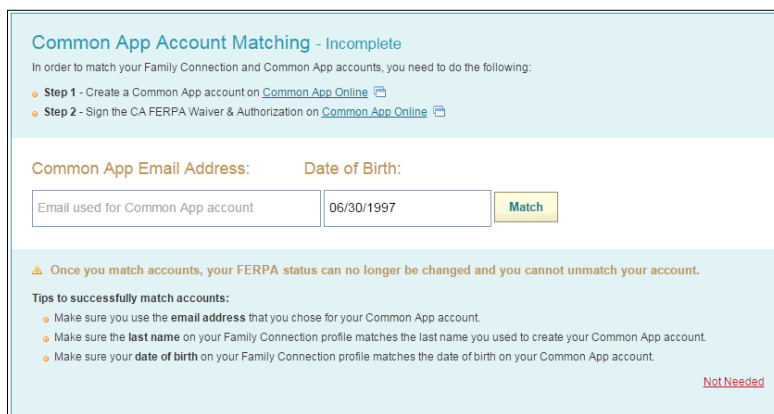
If **NO**, you do not need to complete the following steps, you can move on to adding colleges to your Colleges I'm Applying to list.

If **YES**, here are steps on how to match your Naviance Family Connection account with your Common App account:

- **Create Your Common App Account:** After August 1, you may login to the Common App website and create your account. **Important:** Be sure to add the correct high school to your Education tab!
- **Complete your FERPA Release Authorization:** Add at least one college you intend to apply to, and within that colleges area, click on "Recommenders and FERPA." Click on "release authorization" and follow the on-screen instructions. **It is critically important that you do not request any school-based (teacher or counselor) recommenders in your Common App account.**



- **Match your Naviance Family Connection account with your Common App account:** Login to your Family Connection account and click on the Colleges tab. Click on "Colleges I'm Applying To." Now that you have completed the FERPA Release Authorization in the Common App, you can easily match your account by entering the email address you used to register with the Common App and your date of birth (pre-populated). **Be sure to use the same email address you put in your Common App account.**



Common App Account Matching - Incomplete

In order to match your Family Connection and Common App accounts, you need to do the following:

- Step 1 - Create a Common App account on [Common App Online](#)
- Step 2 - Sign the CA FERPA Waiver & Authorization on [Common App Online](#)

Common App Email Address: **Date of Birth:**

⚠ Once you match accounts, your FERPA status can no longer be changed and you cannot unmatch your account.

Tips to successfully match accounts:

- Make sure you use the **email address** that you chose for your Common App account.
- Make sure the **last name** on your Family Connection profile matches the last name you used to create your Common App account.
- Make sure your **date of birth** on your Family Connection profile matches the date of birth on your Common App account.

[Not Needed](#)