



Common App Activities List ***Template***

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It is never too early to start conceptualizing what the different components of your Common Application will look like. One of the most important parts is the activities list, and it is very particular, with a set character limit for each field. To prepare in advance, use this template to start listing everything you do. For now, add more than ten activities and include everything. When the time comes, you will narrow the list to your ten most significant.

[Student]’s Common App Activity List

Activity List Components (Per Activity)

Activity Type (choose one per activity)

Academic

Junior R.O.T.C.

Art

LGBT

Athletics: Club

Music: Instrumental

Athletics: JV/Varsity

Music: Vocal

Career-Oriented

Religious

Community Service (Volunteer)

Research

Computer/Technology

Robotics

Cultural

School Spirit

Dance

Science/Math

Debate/Speech

Social Justice

Environmental

Student Govt./Politics

Family Responsibilities

Theater/Drama

Foreign Exchange

Work (Paid)

Journalism/Publication

Other Club/Activity

Position Name (50 Characters)

- Be descriptive. Rather than “Student” or “Participant,” be specific about what you did. If you held more than one position, list the most recent first, for example President (12), Treasurer (10-11).
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Organization Name (100 Characters)

- Be concise but detailed. You can include some more “factual” information here so you don’t waste characters in the Description section
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Description (150 characters)

- Describe your role, accomplishments, and honors. Give concrete examples of your impact, for example: grew membership from 5 to 30 members; raised \$2,000 for a local shelter.
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Participation Grades

- **Timing of Participation**
 - Check all that apply: during the school year, during school break, or all year.
- **Hours per Week**
 - Make sure your hours do not add up to more than 25 hours per week in any given week.
- **Weeks per Year**
 - Estimate the number of weeks per year you dedicate to the activity.
- **Continue in College**
 - Indicate whether you intend to participate in a similar activity in college: Yes or No. For most activities, we recommend “Yes.”

Activity 1

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 2

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 3

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 4

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 5

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 6

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 7

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 8

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 9

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

Activity 10

Activity type:

Position and Organization:

Description:

Participation Grades:

Timing of Participation:

Hours/Week:

Weeks/Year:

I intend to participate in a similar activity in college:

**If you have more than 10 activities, copy and paste the template above to list ALL activities.
You will eventually choose the best 10 to put on your application**