






Common App vs ApplyTexas

Students may be deciding on which application system to use to apply to college. Help students evaluate the characteristics of each application to determine which best fits their needs.

	Common App	ApplyTexas
 Colleges	Accepted by over 600 colleges throughout the US	Accepted by over 130 colleges throughout Texas
 Essays	Complete the personal essay once and send it to multiple colleges (writing supplements will not transfer)	Complete the essay once and upload it for each college (even when using the copy feature)
 Early Decision	Submit an electronic Early Decision agreement	Submit the Early Decision agreement via mail
 Waivers	Electronic fee waiver submission available	Electronic fee waiver submission is unavailable*
 Recommendations	Recommenders can submit their recommendations electronically	Recommenders can submit their recommendations via mail

*The ApplyTexas system does not offer any fee waivers. Instead, students should complete and submit their SAT, ACT, institution-specific, or NACAC fee waiver.