

# Conway UP - QuestBridge Checklist (Class of 2026)

## May-June 2025: Prep Season

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- ✓ Finalize your college list (15 QuestBridge partners max)
- ✓ Identify & ask 2 teachers for recommendation letters
- ✓ Ask your counselor for a school report and transcript
- ✓ Write your first draft of the main personal essay
- ✓ Register for fall ACT/SAT if needed
- ✓ Gather family tax info (2024 returns) for financial section
- ✓ Explore partner schools and learn about college fit

## July 2025: Application Opens

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- ✓ July 14: QuestBridge National College Match application opens
- ✓ Create your QB account at [questbridge.org](https://questbridge.org)
- ✓ Enter personal & family info, coursework, activities, honors
- ✓ Polish personal statement and begin supplemental essays

## August-Early September 2025

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- ✓ Confirm recommenders have submitted their letters
- ✓ Upload school documents and financial info
- ✓ Finalize your ranked college list

- ✓ Review and revise all essays
- ✓ Submit FAFSA (as soon as it opens)

## **September 2025: Final Stretch**

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- ✓ September 25: Final QuestBridge application due
- ✓ Double check: all documents, forms, and rankings submitted
- ✓ Breathe. You've done the hard part.

## **October-December 2025**

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- ✓ October 16: Finalist decisions released
- ✓ If selected: complete Match Requirements for ranked colleges
- ✓ December 1: Match Day — full scholarship decisions announced
- ✓ If no match: begin preparing Regular Decision apps

## **After December 2025**

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- ✓ Many students who don't match still get into top schools through Regular Decision
- ✓ Fee waivers from QuestBridge still apply
- ✓ Your QB application materials can often be reused or adapted
- ✓ Continue checking deadlines for partner and non-partner schools
- ✓ Conway UP can help review essays and complete final submissions