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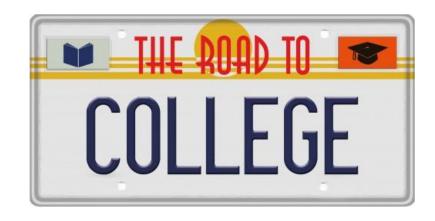
College Information Night

January 8, 2020



Overview

- COMPREHENSIVE COLLEGE COUNSELING
- COLLEGE SEARCH
- TESTING
- APPLICATIONS
- PAYING FOR COLLEGE
- QUESTIONS



COLLEGE ADVISING

PRESENTED BY: AMANDA SMITH



JHS COLLEGE ADVISING

- From the start of Freshman Year to the end of Fall Semester of Junior year, students should focus primarily on four things for college admissions:
 - Challenge oneself with course load and earn the best possible grades
 - Get involved! Take advantage of co-curricular activities and pursue outside interests
 - Explore college preferences (Naviance, campus tours, college rep visits, etc.)
 - Prepare for the SAT/ACT Each student will have different testing timelines due to how prepared he is through coursework and testing prep.

JHS COLLEGE ADVISING

- Junior Year, begins the Major College Application Cycle
 - PSAT and Scheduling Official Tests
 - On campus opportunities to meet with 100+ College Admission
 Representatives face to face
 - Building the College List and Resume
 - College Information Night (parents)
 - Junior Spring Collaborations (students)
 - Creating Common App Account and Profile
 - Alumni Career Event
 - Optional Summer College Application Boot Camp

JHS COLLEGE ADVISING

- Fall Semester of Senior Year
 - Senior Family Meetings for College Admissions
 - Multiple Senior Fall Collaborations
 - College Application Workshops
 - Essay Writing Workshops
 - Paying for College Parent Evening
 - Open Availability for Students

COLLEGE SUPPORT + RESOURCES

- Counselors and the Counseling Center
- Google College Planning Classroom
- Jesuit High School Counseling Website
 https://www.jesuithighschool.org/counseling
- Counseling Newsletter
 - New issue every 6 weeks
 - Link available in Parent Weekly Update

COLLEGE SUPPORT + RESOURCES

- College Planning Handbook
 - College Planning Handbook
- Naviance Student
 - https://student.naviance.com/jhssac
- A Sample of College Internet Websites
 - https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/
 - https://secure.californiacolleges.edu/
 - https://www.collegeboard.org/
 - https://www.act.org/

COLLEGE SEARCH

Presented By Christopher Seibert



MYTH AND ANXIETIES

- I have to get into...
 - The "Prestigious" School
 - The "Right School"
 - The "Ranked School" etc.
- I have to...
 - Take Prep Courses
 - Hire Outside Help
 - Spend Money/Be Anxious

The college search should reveal your RIGHT FIT, and you have the tools! 4000+ schools--and one is RIGHT 4U!

SEARCHING FOR A COLLEGE MOVING FROM MYTH TO REALITY

- > First: Know Yourself! Be aware of YOUR Right Fit Characteristics:
 - Size--1,000 to 50,000, and everything in between...strengths of each
 - Major-Does your passion match the school's offerings?
 - Region/Climate --Rocky Mountains, East Coast Urban, SoCal Beaches, Midwest Suburb, Silicon Valley...what is your ideal setting?
 - Learning Style--How do you learn best? Does the school's expectations match how you learn best?
- Utilize Naviance Student account and research resources:
 - Scattergrams to compare yourself to fellow Jesuit applicants
 - College Data to compare yourself to all applicants
 - https://www.collegedata.com/
 - College Essay Guy, (among others) for comprehensive search
 - https://www.collegeessayguy.com/blog/how-to-choose-a-college
- We host over 120 college admission reps during lunch in the fall these are important contacts!

SEARCHING FOR A COLLEGE

- Visit colleges--preferably while school in session
 - "Vibe"--Does the environment fit your ideal? Does it feel "right"?
 - Housing--Traditional dorm, off campus apartment, availability?
 - Social--Gathering places, Fraternities, Clubs, Organizations...
 - Food--Eat a meal and investigate meal plans.
 - Extras---How important are athletics (spectating, playing), special programs (music, drama, etc) to you?

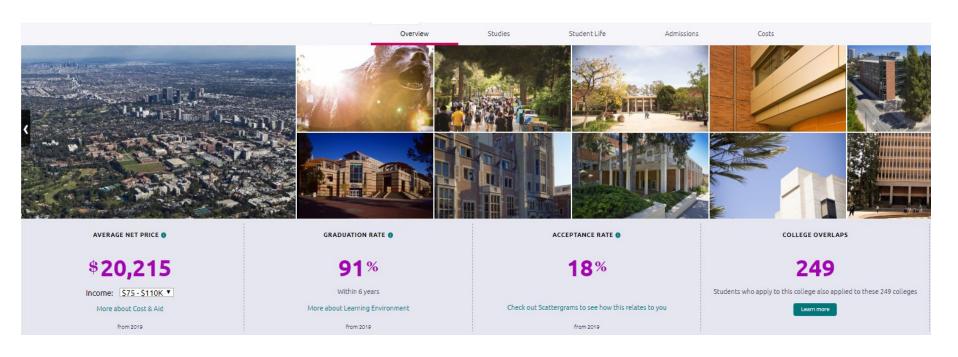
Pacific Northwest College Tour June 1-5, 2020 if interested!

https://cacollegebound.rezdy.com/359066/jesuit-high-school-college-exploration-june-1st-5th-2020

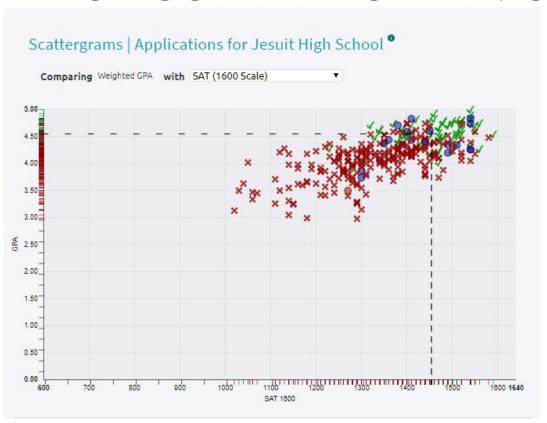
- Attend Special Nights/College Fairs
 - UC Info Night
 - JET Admissions Panel
 - RACC "Case Study"...and others!

NAVIANCE OVERVIEW: "THE BIG PICTURE"

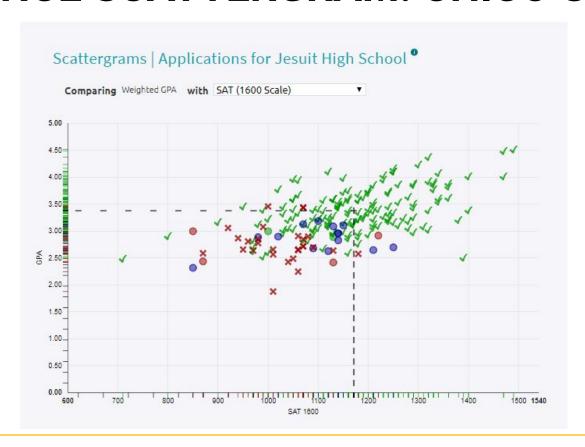
NET PRICE/GRAD RATE/ACCEPTANCE RATE/COLLEGE OVERLAPS



NAVIANCE SCATTERGRAM: UCLA



NAVIANCE SCATTERGRAM: CHICO STATE



NAVIANCE SCATTERGRAM: ST. MARY'S



NAVIANCE STUDENT - "COMPARE ME"

College	GPA	Sggle SAT 10
YOU - Joe Student	3.45	1220
CA Poly State Univ San Luis Obispo	3.9 🗙	1287 🗶
CSU Fresno	3.18 🗸	1147 🗸
UC Santa Barbara	4.12 X	1310 🗶
U of CO Boulder	3.62 X	1270 🗙
Humboldt State Univ	3.07 🗸	1113 🗸
U of Nevada Reno	3.26 🗸	1153 🗸

ESSENTIALS FROM NAVIANCE STUDENT

- Building the List: "Colleges I'm Thinking About" leading to "Colleges I'm Applying To"
- Parent Brag Sheet, Student Brag Sheet, Resume
 - Used for Counselor Letters of Rec.
 - Requesting Teacher Letters of Rec...give them time and any requested information
- Career Exploration
 - Interest inventories, career clusters
 - Matching majors and careers
- Scholarship Resources

COLLEGE TESTING

Presented By Kathy Van Liefde



TESTING

- SAT or ACT
 - Most schools require either the SAT or ACT
 - Take the first test in the spring of junior year
 - Re-take as needed (Oct., Nov., Dec. senior year)

Since most schools accept both the SAT and the ACT - and since the tests are different, we recommend that students take both exams at least once.

Writing / Non - Writing

- CSU's do not require the writing exam
- UC's require the writing exam
- Contact the school

https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/college-essay-policies

SAT Subject tests (Math, Science, English, History, Language) are not required for UC admissions, but recommended for some majors (such as Engineering). If needed, plan to take 2-3 different exams.

http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/requirements/examination-requirement/SAT-subject-tests/

SAT + ACT: TOP SIMILARITIES

- Both have 4 sections and an optional essay
- No penalty for incorrect answers
- Multiple choice questions give four options; except for ACT Math section.
- Both are equally accepted as college admissions tests.

SAT + ACT: TOP 5 KEY DIFFERENCES

- The SAT has a greater focus on History & Social Studies passages, while the ACT requires more Science reading.
- Both focus on Algebra, but the SAT has a greater emphasis on Data Analysis & Problem Solving.
- The SAT essay requires additional text analysis.
- The SAT has a No Calculator Math section.
- The SAT Math section has grid-in questions and a multi part question.

THE OPTIONAL ESSAY - SCORED SEPARATELY

SAT

Requires students to analyze a 650-750 word document and explain how the author builds an argument.

3 scores - each on a scale of 2-8

- Reading
- Analysis
- Writing

ACT

Requires students to analyze one of 3 different perspectives

Overall score from 2 - 12

4 scores - each on a scale 2 - 12

- Ideas & Analysis
- Development and Support
- Organization
- Language Use

SENDING TEST SCORES

SAT

\$11.25 per score report after the free report time window has passed (9 days after the test).

https://collegereadiness.collegebo ard.org/sat/scores/sending-scores /how-to-send \$13.00 per score report after the free report time window as passed (Thursday after the test date).

https://www.act.org/content/act/en/pr oducts-and-services/the-act/scores/se nding-your-scores.html

2020 ACT OPTIONS

Online Testing at Center



ACT Composite score as early as two business days after the test date.

SuperScore

Superscoring allows students to submit their highest scores for college admission and scholarship purposes.

Section Retesting

ACT Section Retesting is available to all students who have taken the full ACT test. Students can retake one or more single-section subject tests at approved ACT test centers across the US, to improve their scores.

https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/more-choices-for-the-act-sept-2020.html

PRACTICE SAT + ACT TESTS AT JHS

- Practice SAT Dates
 - Saturday, February 1, 2020 (Juniors Only)
 - Saturday, April 4, 2020
- Practice ACT Dates
 - Saturday, January 25, 2020 (Juniors Only)
 - Saturday, March 28, 2020
 - See the November Parent Newsletter

TEST PREP

- Various options include in-class instruction, individualized tutoring, test prep books or online - whatever method will work best for your son is the right one
 - Khan Academy
 - SAT https://www.khanacademy.org/sat
 - ACT Academy
 - ACT https://academy.act.org/
 - Revolution Prep
 - https://www.revolutionprep.com/partners/3193/

APPLICATIONS

Presented By Jennifer Nowag



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU)

- Admissions is solely based on GPA and Test Scores
 - CSU Index (minimum is 2950 SAT)
 - Multiplying GPA by 800 and adding combined score on SAT or multiply GPA by 200 and add ten times the ACT composite score

https://secure.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school/eligibility_index.asp

- One application for all 23 campuses (pay \$70 for each campus)
- Filing period opens <u>October 1 November 30, 2020</u>
- Typically "hands on" and preparing students for careers.

https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/campuses

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (UC)

Admission is based on 14 factors which are weighted differently for all 9 campuses.

http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/how-applications-reviewed/index.html

- One application for all 9 campuses (pay \$70 for each campus)
- Extracurricular/Volunteer/Job/ 4 Insight questions
- Minimum weighted GPA is 3.0 (10th-11th grades)
- Filing period opens <u>August 1/Begin submitting Nov 1 November 30</u>,
 2020
- Known as being well-regarded, selective, research-oriented colleges.

http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/

COMMON APP

- Over 800 private and out of state public universities use the Common Application with more out of state public universities joining each year. Cost varies from FREE to \$90 per college.
- Application is OPEN for juniors to begin now
 - Roll over 8/01/20
- "Holistic" review Five page application
- At least one essay along with "supplemental" essays for each college. 2019 prompts:
 - https://www.commonapp.org/apply/2019-essay-prompts
- Counselor AND Teacher recommendations required
- Visit individual college websites for various and specific information pertaining to each college.

JESUIT COLLEGES

28 Jesuit Colleges located in 18 states

- The colleges range from major research universities to comprehensive and liberal arts universities.
- Admission acceptances range for each college.
- Scholarship opportunities for JHS graduates at some, not ALL Jesuit colleges. Each vary with GPA/test scores/leadership. Scholarships are specified on college websites.

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE (WUE)

- Agreement between 14 Western States to offer reduced out-of-state tuition for their public schools to residents of member states. Minimum GPA and ACT/SAT test scores vary per college.
- Reduced tuition of up to 150% of institution's regular resident tuition. Tuition (only) can be as low as \$7-8k per semester for WUE members.
- Not all schools and programs participate.
 https://wuesavingsfinder.wiche.edu/search-results.php
- Example of popular WUE schools for JHS students include: UNR, Boise State, Arizona State, Southern Oregon University.

Example for Boise State WUE:

https://financialaid.boisestate.edu/scholarships/non-resident-tuition-assistance-programs/

MILITARY ACADEMIES

- If interested in the Academies BEGIN NOW!
 - To secure an appointment, send for a Pre-Candidate questionnaire in junior year.
 - Apply to each Senator and your Congressman for nomination.
 - Follow all procedures meticulously.
 - See handbook for details.
 - Air Force (For example:

http://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/advice-to-applicants/high-school-and-college-students

HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES (HBCU)

- HBCU refers to any accredited institution established prior to 1965 "whose principal mission was, and is, the education of black Americans." HBCUs are committed to educating all students regardless of their race.
 - https://www.bestcolleges.com/features/top-30-historically-black-colleges/
- Common Black College Application (CBCA)
 - CBCA includes 50 member institutions
 - Applicants submit one common application that is made available to all member institutions

https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

- Cost effective education: Ca. College Promise Program offers free tuition for 2 years (full-time).
- Good place to build your academic credentials to get into a more selective college.
- Good place if you are not ready academically or socially for the 4 year experience or moving away from home.
- Application timeline is the same as 4 yr colleges.

http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/AlphaList.aspx

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER

- Any student who wishes to be eligible for NCAA Division I or II athletics must register with the Eligibility Center.
- Forms and NCAA rules are available from www.eligibilitycenter.org
- We offer an online service for student athletes to track their NCAA Eligibility.
 - The program is called Core Course GPA
 http://www.clearinghousecalculator.org/login.php

Paying for College

Presented By Angela Harger



MERIT VS NEED-BASED

- Scholarships are typically based on "merit"
 - Academic, fine arts, athletic, leadership qualities
 - Awarded by colleges and universities, organizations, businesses, clubs
 - Requirements for renewal
- Grants typically based on "need"
 - Awarded by State and Federal government
 - Colleges/Universities
 - Evaluated each year

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Largest amount of money usually comes from the colleges in the form of merit based scholarships
- Outside/Private scholarships are posted in Naviance Student and Google Classrooms
- Can be stackable

FINANCIAL AID

- FAFSA application opens October 1
 - Every family should file a FAFSA regardless of total income; most institutions use the FAFSA for institutional need-based aid
 - Use the prior, prior year tax information (ex. Tax Filing 2019)
 - Cash for College Workshops https://www.cash4college.csac.ca.gov/
- CSS Profile opens October 1
 - Many private universities will require applicants to fill out a CSS profile for non-federal financial aid
 - Access the CSS Profile through College Board

ASSESSING STUDENT NEED

A **student's financial need** is calculated as the difference between the cost of attending the school, the **Cost of Attendance (COA)** minus any expected financial assistance (EFA), such as gifts or outside scholarships, and the amount the student and their family is expected to pay, the **Expected Family Contribution (EFC)**

COA – EFC = Student Financial Need

EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION

The Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is influenced by these factors:

- The amount the student's parents will be asked to pay from income and assets
- The amount the student can contribute from earnings and savings
- Family size, age of oldest parent, number of children currently attending college
- Special circumstances: Health related expenses, loss of property or death in the family

FINANCIAL NEED DETERMINATION



https://collegecost.ed.gov/netpricecenter.aspx

NET PRICE

Net Price is the amount that a student pays to attend an institution in a single academic year AFTER subtracting scholarships and grants the student receives.

Focus on the NET PRICE not the STICKER PRICE.

NET PRICE CALCULATOR

stimated Cost of Attendance	V-27/2015
Tuition & Fees ②	\$ 47,112
Room & Board 👩	\$ 13,965
Books & Supplies ②	\$ 1,791
Transportation ?	\$ 837
Personal Expenses 2	\$ 2,331
Estimated Total Cost of Attendance	\$ 66,036
stimated Grant/Gift Aid 🔞	
Cal Grant	\$ 9,084
SCU Aid	\$ 3,900
Estimated Total Grant/Gift Aid	\$ 12,984
ESTIMATED NET PRICE	\$ 53,052
stimated Self Help ②	
Student Loan	\$ 5,500
Student Work	\$ 2,500
Estimated Total Self Help	\$ 8,000
ESTIMATED REMAINING COST	\$ 45,052

Planning how to finance a degree has become a more prominent part of the college application process. It is important to start these conversations with your son early in the process.

WHAT'S NEXT...



STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Be proactive and start planning early
- Complete your own applications neatly and thoroughly.
- Keep track of and meet deadlines
- Complete your Student Brag Sheet, Resume and update your college list
- Send test scores to schools
- Communication is key!
 - See your counselor when you have questions!

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Help and support your child, but don't make your child's decision for him.
- Teach your son responsibility do not apply for them!
- Determine how much financial assistance you will be able to give your son, and discuss this with him.
- Work with your son to complete the FAFSA
- Assist your son in keeping track of meeting deadlines
- Complete Parent Brag Sheet in Naviance
- Remember this is a marathon not a sprint . . .

SUMMER COLLEGE APPLICATION WORKSHOP

Rising Seniors can begin their senior year with applications and essays completed by attending this summer camp at Jesuit!!

Mrs. Harger and Mrs. Nowag will help students get a head-start on the college application process to relieve the pressure of Senior Year.

LIMITED SPACES
JUNE 8-12, 2020
JUNE 15-19, 2020
TWO MORNING SESSIONS



Register on our new website summeratjesuit.com

Pacific Northwest College Tour

Our "Pacific Northwest Tour" will be held June 1-5, 2020. Transportation, hotels, breakfast and dinner daily, eight campus visits, activities, gratuities, and overnight security are all included.

Colleges we will be visiting include:

- University of Washington
- Seattle University
- University of Portland
- Oregon State University
- University of Oregon
- Willamette
- Lewis and Clark
- Puget Sound

















If there are questions please reach out to Christopher Seibert (christopher.seibert@jesuithighschool.org) or to the Pacific Northwest College Tour coordinator, Nalika James (nalika.james@cacollegebound.com).

Questions?

Please form a line at the microphone in the middle aisle. Thank you.