

My College Search – a quick start

Underline about 10 of these things that are important to you about college:

location strong in specific major low cost big reputation

most challenging academics religious identity small or very big school

city or rural campus distance from home prepare me for specific career

social or political identity of students diversity of race and background small class size

division I sports accepts many IB/dual enroll credits for early grad/placement

tutoring help mental health support high-achieving atmosphere grad school placement

IS THERE ONE YOU DIDN'T SEE ABOVE?:

Write your 10 into these 3 buckets:

A MUST HAVE FOR ME


GOOD BUT NOT REQUIRED

JUST A PLUS

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Key ?'s to Answer:

- What is my **academic profile**: GPA, # Honors or IB courses, fave subjects, PSAT/SAT/ACT?
- Is there a college **program** I can't live without (e.g. speciali research, art, sport, other)?
- Do I have a set **budget** or an amount I can't spend over?
- Do you have an ideal **social/political** environment? Ex. Liberal, conservative, religious, LGBTQ-friendly, racial diversity, etc.
- Is there a certain **distance** away from home I want to be?
- Am I thinking of **grad school**?
- Do my **parents** have set priorities or expectations?

My Colleges & Chances – Find 10 colleges you like and  in Naviance, then put in the right row.

I'M ABOVE AVERAGE (Ex., grades, honors classes, scores, accept %)

50-50 CHANCE (I'm in the zone but not everyone gets in)

A REACH (most don't get in but I'll try)
