

“Find the Perfect College” Parent Resource List

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Step One: Finding a College to Visit

Go to a College Fairs:

National College Fairs: www.nacacnet.org

National Christian College Fairs: <http://nccf.us/>

Bring kids, take a class, ask questions, give them your address

Search through testing: PSAT, ACT, SAT

Complete online searches

The College Board website: www.collegeboard.com

U-CAN website: <http://www.ucan-network.org>

Princeton Review Counselor-O-Matic: www.princetonreview.com

Step Two: Compare College Statistics

Compare using information from college

Compare using books and magazines

Compare statistics using these “phone books”

Ultimate College Guide by US News & World Report

Profiles of American Colleges by Barron’s

4 Year Colleges by Peterson’s

Step Three: Visiting Colleges

Make an appointment for an official visit

Meet with admissions, take a tour, sit in on a class, eat the food

Tips for visits: www.collegeboard.com/student/csearch/college-visits

Use all your senses: look, hear, taste, touch, smell, feel, and gut instinct

Step Four: Applying to College

Admission process is very long

Long forms, detailed essays, letters of recommendation, test scores, transcripts

Reduce, reuse and recycle college application essays

Help for college application essays

Online: www.collegeboard.com/student/apply/essay-skills

Book: The College Application Essay by The College Board

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