

Navigating the Admissions Process

College&Career**Pathways**2020

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Hello, Our Names Are ...

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Overview

- Who is Admissions?
- Identify your team & define deadlines
- Application materials & how to stand out
- Application review
- Decisions — ours & yours!

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Admissions - Who are they?

1st — You are not alone. Identify your team!

- School Counselors
- Family & Friends
- Resources — VSAC!
- Admissions — Your Admissions Counselor!
 - Your location
 - Program of study
 - Special aspect (transfer, international)



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Approaching the Process - Deadlines

Get Organized for Deadlines:

- Early Decision (binding)
- Early Action (nonbinding)
- Regular Decision
- Rolling Admissions



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Compile Your Application & Materials

Checklist Items:

- Common app or school-specific
- Application fee or fee waiver
- Official transcripts
- Test scores
- Recommendation(s)
- Essay, aka personal statement
- Resume, extracurricular activities



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Proficiency-Based Evaluation

Concerned about your proficiency transcript? It'll be OK.

- Admissions Offices are informed
- School profiles define
- Curricular choices remain
- Holistic picture (transferrable skills, habits)
- We're pros — with students from around the globe
- You will gain admission & scholarships!



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Enhance Your Application

How can I make my application stand out?

- Course Selection
 - Course selection!
 - Course selection!
- Academic Performance
- Essay Preparation
- Selecting a Recommender
- Connect / Visit
- Portfolio, Audition



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Application Review Process

What are *they* looking at?! Remember - *We* are on your team!

- Capable vs competitive
- Holistic Review
- Curricular rigor
- Academic trend
- Your story




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Admission Decisions

Decision Types

- Admit
- Admit to second choice
- Waitlist
- Deny
- Defer
- Other Decision Types (Conditional, Provisional)

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You choose!

Decision Deadline

May 1st

Stay in touch, visit, connect, & get your questions answered.
Make an informed decision!

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Questions?

Thank you for coming — Enjoy the day!

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