Navigating the Admission Process
What’s the goal?
“How do I start my college search?”
What types of applications are there?

- **Common App** is accepted by over 900 institutions
- **Coalition Application** is accepted by more than 150 institutions
- **Common Black College Application** is accepted by almost 70 HBCUs
- **Universal Application** is currently accepted by 18 institutions
- **Individual Institution Application**
What is in an Application?

- Application
- Transcript
- Fee
- Senior Year grades
- Personal Statement/Essay
- Supplemental Essay
- Test Scores

- Letter(s) of recommendation
- Supplemental Materials
- Resume
- Athletic
- Art Portfolio
- Interview
“What courses should I take in High School to make my transcript more competitive?”
What is an Admission Committee looking for in an application?

- Your academic performance
- Strength of your high school curriculum
- Activities
- Leadership
- Other:
  - Demonstrated interest
  - Ability to Pay
  - Interview
What is a Recalculated GPA?

• Every High School GPA is different
• Core academic classes
  • Math, Science, History, English, Foreign Language
• Weight is given to upper level classes
What is demonstrated interest?

- Attending a Campus Visit
- Connecting with an Admission Counselor
- Connecting with an Alumni
“What should I study in college?”
What kind of application deadlines are there?

- Early Action
- Early Decision
- Regular Decision
- Rolling Admission
- Open Admission (Enrollment)
“How do I pick the best college for me?”
Who can I go to for support?

- School Counselor
- Family Members
- Mentors
- Friends
- Admission Counselor
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