

# Junior Guidance Naviance Activity Instructions

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**Objective: Complete an online college search and list appropriate reach, target and safety schools.**

## Part 1

1. Go to the Monta Vista homepage ([www.mvhs.fuhsd.org](http://www.mvhs.fuhsd.org)) then click on the “Students” tab at the top.
2. Click the “Naviance” logo and log-in to Naviance—contact a guidance counselor if you have forgotten your log-in information.
3. From the Naviance home screen, click “Colleges” then “Find Your Fit” then “Advanced College Search.”
4. Complete the “Advanced College Search” by indicating your preferences for *School Type, Location, Student, Admission, Athletics, Majors, Costs, Special Programs*.
  - a. Click “Next” at the bottom to input more preferences and click “View Matches” whenever you’re ready to see the colleges.
  - b. You can view your results, save/cancel your search, and start over at any time.
  - c. Don’t have many results? Try being less specific in your preferences.
  - d. Too many results? Try indicating more of your preferences.
5. To view information about a college, click the name of the college and you’ll be taken to a page where you can view costs, majors, demographics, etc.
6. To view Scattergram data, simply click on a college in your matches and then click “Admissions.” The Scattergram will plot your GPA and ACT/SAT score with the data of previous Monta Vista students based on acceptances and denials. A great tool to help figure out Reach, Target, and Safeties!

## Part 2

1. Use the “Building My College List” chart in your packet to begin organizing reach, target, and safety schools.

## CollegeBoard

CollegeBoard is another useful online tool that can be used to research colleges.

1. Visit: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search>
2. On the left hand side you can select your “filters” to start searching and prioritize colleges.
3. As your colleges start to populate you can click on a college to find out even more information about that particular school.