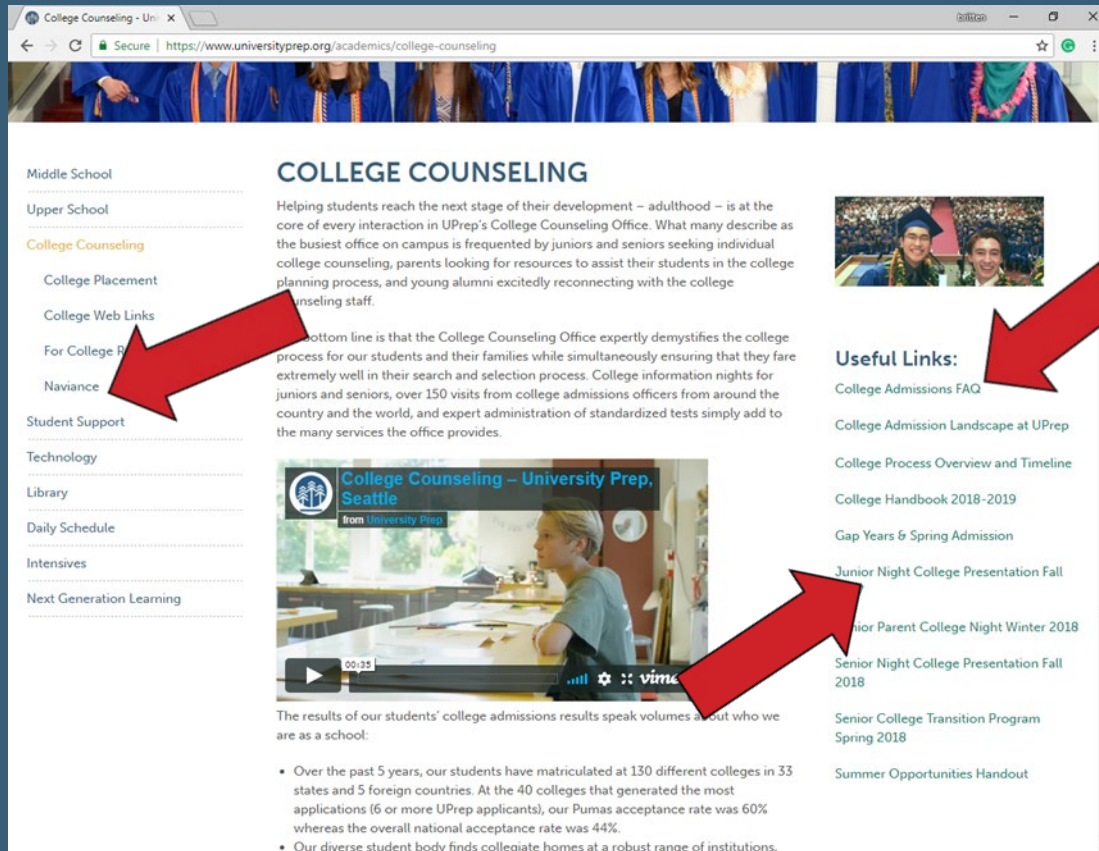


# PART II: Timeline and “To Do List”

- Resources
  - Standardized Testing
  - Events
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- Please do not forget to pick up your family’s college packet (please see Mrs. Robbins if you need an extra packet).

# Resources on our website



This PowerPoint!

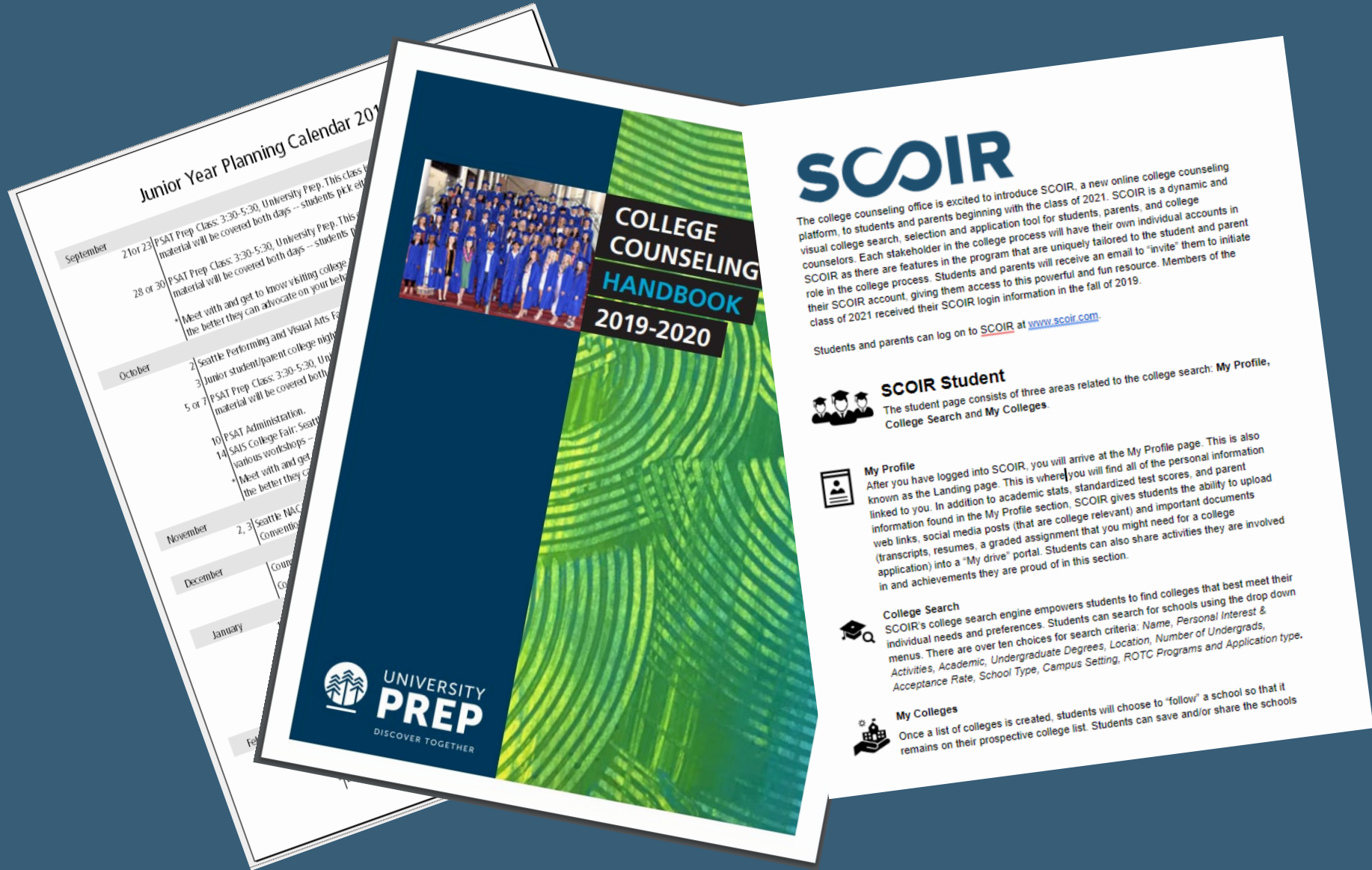
College Counseling Handbook

Access to SCOIR  
(more about that in a bit)

FAQs and more!

# What's in your College Packet Tonight?

## Calendar, College Handbook & Reminders.



### Junior Year Planning Calendar 2019-2020

September	21 or 23	PSAT Prep Class: 3:30-5:30, University Prep. This class material will be covered both days -- students pick either day.
	28 or 30	PSAT Prep Class: 3:30-5:30, University Prep. This class material will be covered both days -- students pick either day.
		* Meet with and get to know visiting college counselors. Meet with and get to know visiting college counselors the better they can advocate on your behalf.
October	2	Seattle Performing and Visual Arts Festival
	3	Junior student/parent college night
	5 or 7	PSAT Prep Class: 3:30-5:30, University Prep. This class material will be covered both days -- students pick either day.
	10	PSAT Administration.
	14	SAIS College Fair - Seattle
		* Meet with and get to know visiting college counselors the better they can advocate on your behalf.
November	2, 3	Seattle NACAC Convention
December		Counselor's Conference
January		Counselor's Conference
February		Counselor's Conference



### COLLEGE COUNSELING HANDBOOK 2019-2020



## SCOIR

The college counseling office is excited to introduce SCOIR, a new online college counseling platform, to students and parents beginning with the class of 2021. SCOIR is a dynamic and visual college search, selection and application tool for students, parents, and college counselors. Each stakeholder in the college process will have their own individual accounts in SCOIR as there are features in the program that are uniquely tailored to the student and parent role in the college process. Students and parents will receive an email to "invite" them to initiate their SCOIR account, giving them access to this powerful and fun resource. Members of the class of 2021 received their SCOIR login information in the fall of 2019.

Students and parents can log on to SCOIR at [www.scoir.com](http://www.scoir.com).



### SCOIR Student

The student page consists of three areas related to the college search: **My Profile**, **College Search** and **My Colleges**.



#### My Profile

After you have logged into SCOIR, you will arrive at the My Profile page. This is also known as the Landing page. This is where you will find all of the personal information linked to you. In addition to academic stats, standardized test scores, and parent information found in the My Profile section, SCOIR gives students the ability to upload web links, social media posts (that are college relevant) and important documents (transcripts, resumes, a graded assignment that you might need for a college application) into a "My drive" portal. Students can also share activities they are involved in and achievements they are proud of in this section.



#### College Search

SCOIR's college search engine empowers students to find colleges that best meet their individual needs and preferences. Students can search for schools using the drop down menus. There are over ten choices for search criteria: *Name, Personal Interest & Activities, Academic, Undergraduate Degrees, Location, Number of Undergrads, Acceptance Rate, School Type, Campus Setting, ROTC Programs and Application type.*

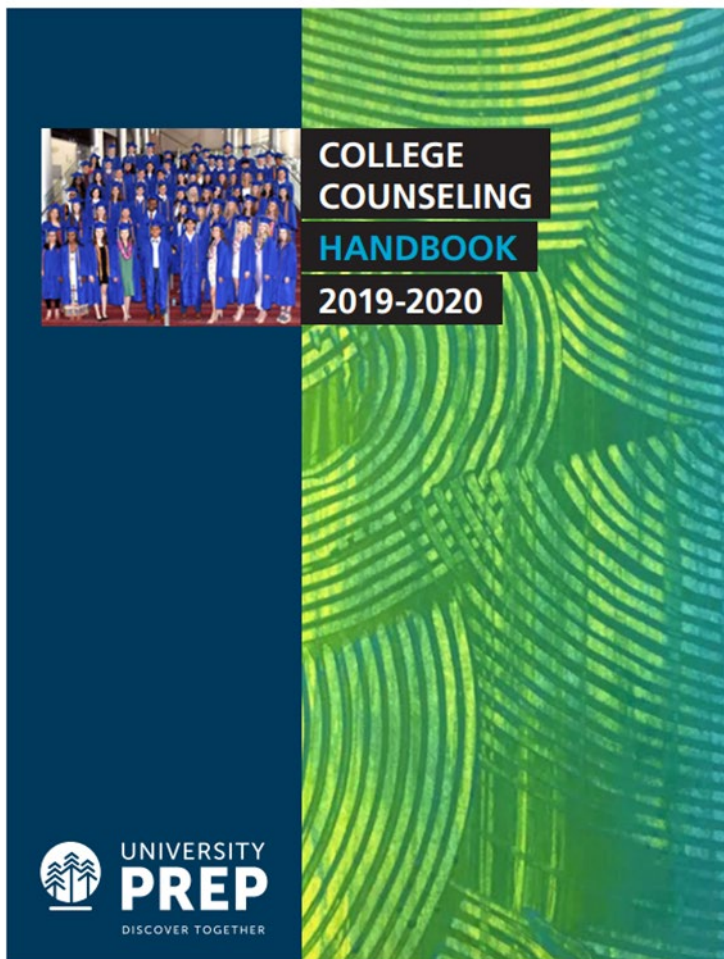


#### My Colleges

Once a list of colleges is created, students will choose to "follow" a school so that it remains on their prospective college list. Students can save and/or share the schools



# Handbook: Significant Pages



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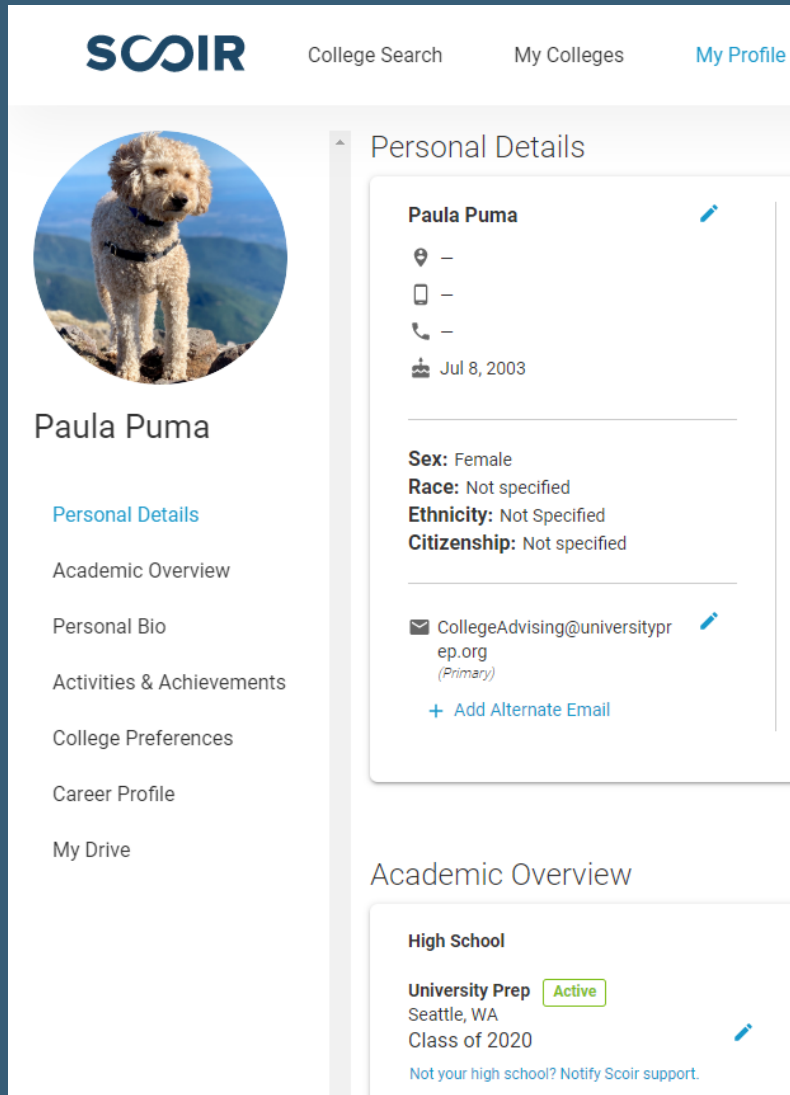
Front Cover Art: Hand-Made Book Cover: Ruth L., Grade 9

# What is SCOIR?

The logo for SCOIR, featuring the word "SCOIR" in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font. The letter "O" is stylized as an infinity symbol. The logo is centered within a white rectangular box.


- SCOIR is a new online college counseling platform
- Dynamic Search tools
- Linked to YouScience, a tool for linking strengths with careers
- Specific to UPrep
- See how your grades and test scores compare to previous college applicants from UPrep
- Surveys and search functions help you navigate the college process
- Students and parents have separate – but linked – accounts

# How do I log in to SCOIR?



The screenshot shows the SCOIR user profile page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the SCOIR logo and links for "College Search", "My Colleges", and "My Profile". The profile section on the left includes a circular profile picture of a dog, the name "Paula Puma", and a list of menu items: "Personal Details", "Academic Overview", "Personal Bio", "Activities & Achievements", "College Preferences", "Career Profile", and "My Drive". The "Personal Details" section is expanded, showing fields for name, location, phone, date of birth, sex, race, ethnicity, and citizenship. It also displays an email address and an option to add an alternate email. The "Academic Overview" section shows the user's high school information, including the school name, location, and class year.

**SCOIR** College Search My Colleges My Profile



Paula Puma

- Personal Details
- Academic Overview
- Personal Bio
- Activities & Achievements
- College Preferences
- Career Profile
- My Drive

**Personal Details**

Paula Puma

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Jul 8, 2003

**Sex:** Female  
**Race:** Not specified  
**Ethnicity:** Not Specified  
**Citizenship:** Not specified

CollegeAdvising@universityprep.org  
(Primary)

+ Add Alternate Email

**Academic Overview**

**High School**

University Prep **Active**  
Seattle, WA  
Class of 2020

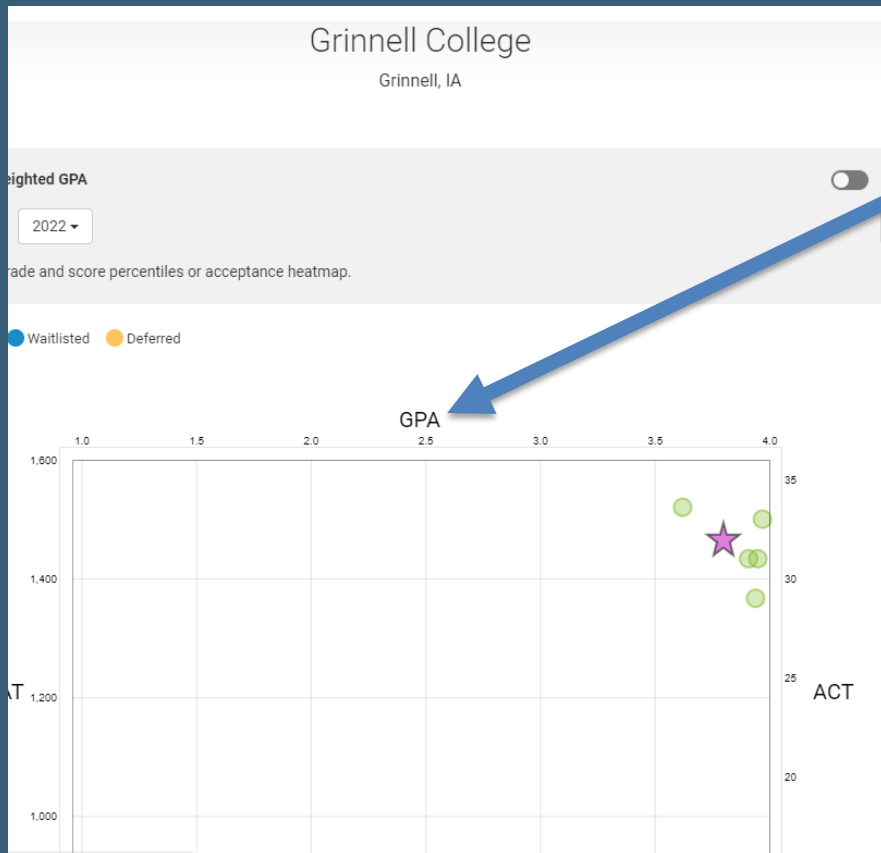
Not your high school? Notify Scoir support.

Students received passwords and logged into SCOIR last week.

Parents, you should receive an e-mail asking you to join SCOIR. Please sign on within 72 hours. If not, we have to re-send the link.

Log in for students and parents is at [www.scoir.com](http://www.scoir.com).

# Click on a school, learn fun facts!



How does your GPA compare to other applicants who were admitted?

How many students from UPrep have applied in recent years? Did anybody enroll?

Is there a representative from the school coming to UPrep? Students can sign up!

# College Search Tab

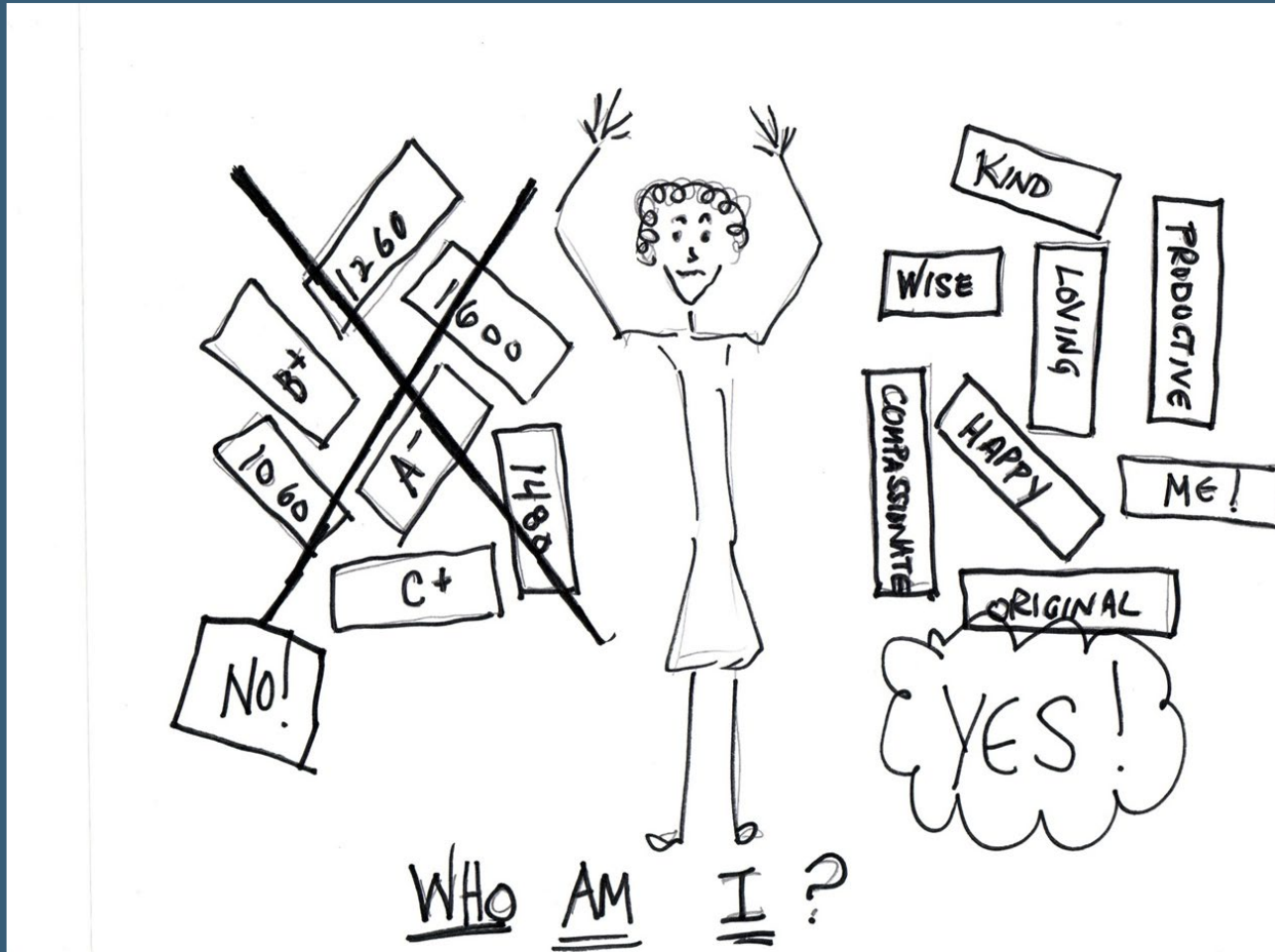
The screenshot displays the SCOR College Search interface. At the top, the SCOR logo is on the left, and 'College Search' and 'My Colleges' are on the right. Below the logo, there are two tabs: 'Preference Search' (selected) and 'Advanced Search'. The main area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a 'Must Have' section with a star icon, followed by several filter categories: 'Personal Interests & Activities' with a 'hiking' filter; 'Academic Focus' with a 'Psychology' filter; 'Distance/Location' with a 'United States of America' filter; 'School Type / Religious Affiliation' with 'Public', 'Private - Not For-profit', and 'Not applicable' filters; and 'Campus Setting' with 'City', 'Suburban', and 'Town' filters. The right column shows '135 Colleges' and displays the first three results: Northern Michigan University, a college with a red and black logo, and a college with a red cardinal logo. Each result shows the college name and a status 'Missing: Private - Not'. At the bottom, there is a taskbar with three open files: 'student-roster.csv', 'July 2019 Executi....docx', and another file.

**Preference Search** for  
academic focus, personal  
interests & activities,  
distance & location, school  
type (public vs. private),  
athletics, etc.

Must have  
Nice to Have  
No thanks



# Don't Lose Sight Of Who You Are



# Where Should I Apply?

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- A year from now, apply to between 6-12 schools.
- Don't fear the unknown
- We'll make sure you apply to “likely,” “possible” and “reach” schools.
- Right now, remain open-minded

# The Visit Schedule













## Visits & Deadlines

Filters

- ☐ Application Deadlines
- ☒ College Visits
  - ☒ All Upcoming Visits
  - ☐ Visits from My Colleges
  - ☐ Only My Registered Visits

October 2019

**3**  
Thu

 <b>University of Aberdeen</b> Aberdeen	<b>Time:</b> 07:55 AM – 08:25 AM <b>Location:</b> college counseling office	0  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 Count Me In
 <b>University of Stirling</b> Stirling	<b>Time:</b> 07:55 AM – 08:25 AM <b>Location:</b> college counseling office	0  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 Count Me In
 <b>University of Massachuset</b> Amherst, MA	<b>Time:</b> 08:25 AM – 09:00 AM <b>Location:</b> college counseling office	1  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 Count Me In
 <b>Sewanee: The University of</b> Sewanee, TN	<b>Time:</b> 09:00 AM – 09:35 AM <b>Location:</b>	0  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 Count Me In

Students: Sign-up  
to get a reminder  
e-mail 24 hours  
ahead of time!

# Visiting College Representatives Want to Talk to YOU.

In the next two weeks, we have:

- 6 days of school
- 1 PSAT/Wellness Day
- 52 colleges visiting
- 13 students signed up to meet with a representative from USC (in spite of the *Varsity Blues* scandal!)
- 0 students for the University of Aberdeen, University of Sterling, College of Charleston, Denison University, Kalamazoo College, Rhodes College, Scripps College and many, many more...












# Please sign up!

Filters

- ☒ Application Deadlines
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  - ☐ Visits from My Colleges
  - ☐ Only My Registered Visits

October 2019

3 Thu

 <b>Georgetown University</b> Washington, DC	<b>Time:</b> 12:30 PM – 01:05 PM <b>Location:</b> college counseling office	5  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 Count Me In
 <b>Reed College</b> Portland, OR	<b>Time:</b> 01:05 PM – 01:40 PM <b>Location:</b> college counseling office	1  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 <b>Registered</b>
 <b>Rochester Institute of Tech</b> Rochester, NY	<b>Time:</b> 01:45 PM – 02:20 PM <b>Location:</b> college counseling office	0  Registered	<a href="#">View</a>	 Count Me In

- Do you have a free period?
- Is there a college visiting that you'd like to learn more about?
- No commitment – you can talk to a representative and that doesn't mean you have to apply.

# Some Ground Rules on College Meetings

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Often times, the visiting representative is the actual person who will be reading your application for admission!

- Be an ambassador for UPrep
- Ask thoughtful questions
- Thank them for their visit
- If you are missing class, you **MUST** get permission from your teachers 24 hours in advance
- No more than 5 missed classes allowed for college visits junior year
- Remember, most of these folks will be back next year



# You know what else is happening in the next two weeks?

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## BABY HERRINGTON IS COMING!

Please welcome (beginning next week): Mary Karen Vellines!



- Director of Admissions, Hamilton College
- V.P. of Enrollment Management, College of Wooster
- Director of College Counseling, Charlotte Country Day School

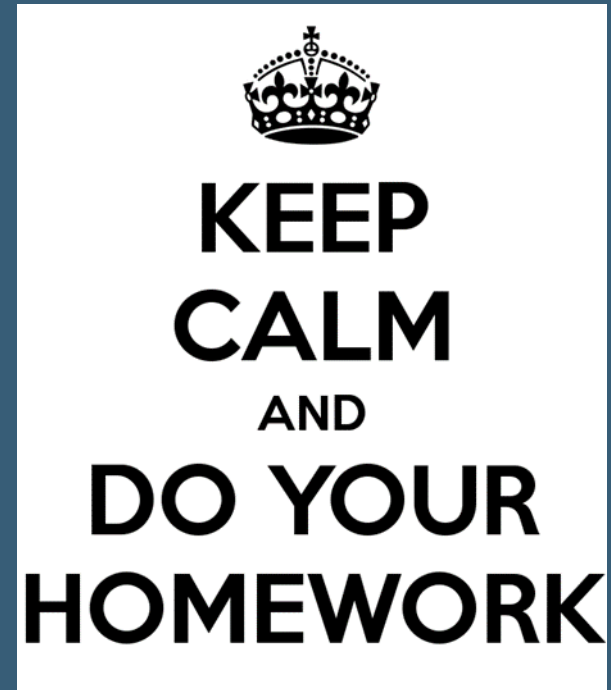
# Counselor Assignments

- Kelly and Britten work as a team (you will have one point person)
- College Counselor Assignment notification (early December)
- Student meeting first (December- January), then a family meeting (mid-January -March)
- Because of Intensives, evening and weekend meetings will be an option in January.
- We will help:
  - create a college list
  - develop a standardized testing game plan
  - brainstorm and edit personal statements & supplemental essays
  - review college applications
  - answer questions about financial aid
  - breakdown the college process into manageable chunks
- We write comprehensive letters of recommendations

# Parents, you have Homework, too!

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- Please fill out the Parent Questionnaire in SCOIR



# KEY DATES:

# Seattle Area Independent Schools Fair



Annie Wright School

The Bush School

Charles Wright Academy

Eastside Prep

Forest Ridge School

The Northwest School

The Overlake School

Seattle Academy

University Prep

Rainier Scholars

When: Sunday, October 16, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Where: Seattle University Redhawk Center

Please log on to <https://app.strivescan.com/students> before the fair

STRIVE

SCAN

Already Registered? [Resend My Barcode](#) / [Edit Profile](#)

### Student Registration

Easily share your information with the colleges you are interested in by filling out this form.

You will be texted and emailed a barcode that the colleges can scan. When a college scans your barcode, they will receive your information.

After the event, you will receive an email with the contact information of the colleges that scanned you.

#### Personal Information

Pick your State: Washington

What event are you attending?

11/01/18 - Tacoma - University of Puget Sound

First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Email	Mobile Phone
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Text Permission

☒ Colleges may text me

Birthdate

#### Academics

GPA (optional)

out of

SAT Score (optional)

ACT Score (optional)

Academic Interests (optional)

(select up to 3)

#### Demographics

Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? (optional)

☐ Yes ☐ No

What is your race?

# Students: Not sure which colleges to talk to during the fair?

Swing by the college counseling office during lunch on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> – we will sit down with you and help identify a few schools that you might want to chat with.

Arizona State University  
Barnard College  
Bennington College  
Boise State University  
Brandeis University  
Bryn Mawr College  
Bucknell University  
California Lutheran University  
California Polytechnic State University  
Carleton College  
Carroll College  
Case Western Reserve University  
Central Washington University  
Chapman University  
Clark University  
Colby College  
College of Charleston  
College of the Atlantic  
Colorado College  
Colorado State University  
Columbia College Chicago  
Concordia University Portland  
Cornish College of the Arts  
Denison University  
DePaul University  
DePauw University  
Dickinson College  
Drew University  
Drexel University  
Eckerd College  
Emory University  
Franklin & Marshall College  
Gettysburg College  
Gonzaga University

Goucher College  
Hamilton College  
Harvey Mudd College  
Haverford College  
High Point University  
Hofstra University  
Hult International Business School  
Kalamazoo College  
Kenyon College  
Knox College  
Lafayette College  
Lawrence University  
Lewis & Clark College  
Linfield College  
Loyola University Chicago  
Marlboro College  
McDaniel College  
Menlo College  
Mills College  
Montana State University  
Mount Holyoke College  
Muhlenberg College  
Northeastern University  
Northwestern University  
Oberlin College  
Occidental College  
Oregon State University  
Pacific Lutheran University  
Pacific University Oregon  
Pepperdine University  
Pitzer College  
Prescott College  
Quest University Canada  
Reed College

Rhodes College  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Saint Martin's University  
Saint Mary's College of California  
Santa Clara University  
Sarah Lawrence College  
Scripps College  
Seattle Pacific University  
Seattle University  
Seton Hall University  
Sewanee: The University of the South  
Simon Fraser University  
Smith College  
Southwestern University  
St. John's College  
St. Olaf College  
Syracuse University  
The American University of Paris  
The College of Wooster  
The George Washington University  
The New School  
The Savannah College of Art and Design  
The University of Arizona  
Trinity College  
Tufts University  
Tulane University  
Union College  
University College Dublin  
University of British Columbia  
University of California

University of California, Davis  
University of California, Irvine  
University of California, San Diego  
University of California, Santa Cruz  
University of Chicago  
University of Denver  
University of Idaho  
University of Massachusetts Amherst  
University of Montana  
University of Nevada Reno  
University of Oregon  
University of Portland  
University of Redlands  
University of St Andrews  
University of Washington  
Vanderbilt University  
Wagner College  
Washington State University  
Washington University in St. Louis  
Wesleyan University  
Western Washington University  
Whitman College  
Whittier College  
Whitworth University  
Willamette University  
Williams College

# SAIS: Before the Fair Breakout Sessions



Annie Wright School

The Bush School

Charles Wright Academy

Eastside Prep

Forest Ridge School

The Northwest School

The Overlake School

Seattle Academy

University Prep

Rainier Scholars

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

### Understanding Standardized

Testing: 1:00 – 1:45 pm

Speaker: Matt Steiner

With Compass Test Prep

Pigott Building, Pigott Auditorium

### College Financial Planning:

2:00 – 2:45 pm

Speaker: Peg Keough,

Owner- Way to the Quad

Pigott Auditorium, Pigott Building

### Women's Colleges 101: A Panel

1:00 – 1:45 pm

OR

2:00 – 2:45 pm

Lead by: Nichole Reynolds

Mt. Holyoke

Pigott 103, Pigott Building



# KEY DATES: PSAT – 10/16/19

Juniors: Don't forget:  
the PSAT is  
Wednesday, October 16th!

Please bring the following:

- #2 pencils (not mechanical)
- erasers
- a calculator
- snacks
- layered clothing (in case you get hot or cold)

See you in the Pumadome\* at 7:45 am  
(testing begins at 8:00 am)

\*if you have talked to Julie Smith in advance about accommodations,  
your specific room assignment location will be sent to you shortly

# Speaking of Standardized Tests...

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## **\*Typical\* Testing Schedule**

### **SPRING OF JUNIOR YEAR**

SAT with writing – March

ACT with writing – April

AP Exams (optional) – May (Biology, US History, Calculus, English)

Subject Tests (optional) – June

### **SUMMER BEFORE SENIOR YEAR**

July ACT with writing and/or August SAT with writing

**OR**

### **FALL OF SENIOR YEAR**

SAT with writing *or* ACT with writing (retake the test with highest score from junior year)

# KEY DATES:

## Another College Fair

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**National Association for  
College Admission Counseling**

*Guiding the way to higher education*

National College Fair

Saturday, 11/2, 12:00 - 4:00pm

Washington State Convention & Trade Center

Register in advance at: [www.gotomyncf.com](http://www.gotomyncf.com)



**KEY DATES: Second College Night  
(Parents Only)  
Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**

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2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Parent College Night (parents only)

# KEY DATES: Case Studies

## Tuesday, April 21 or Wednesday, April 22

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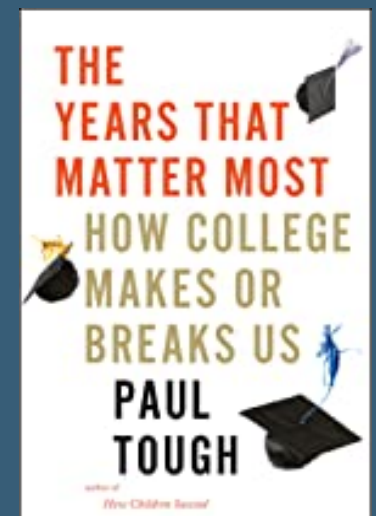
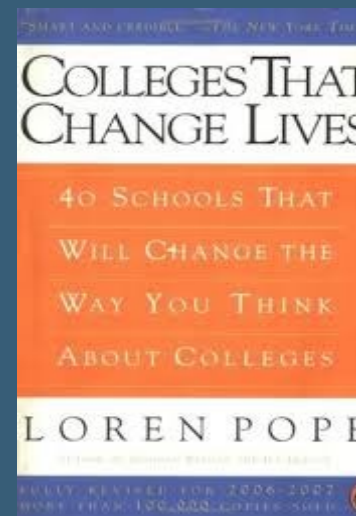
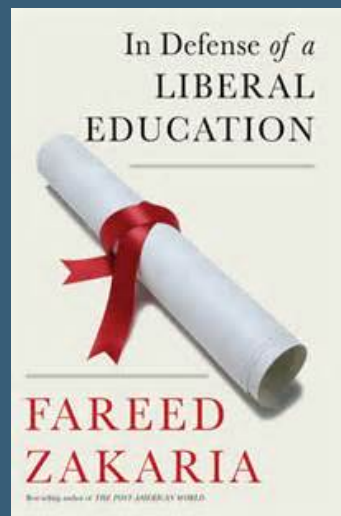
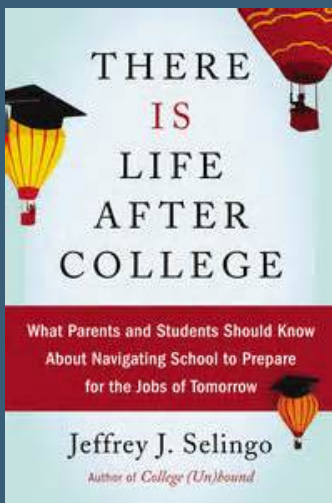
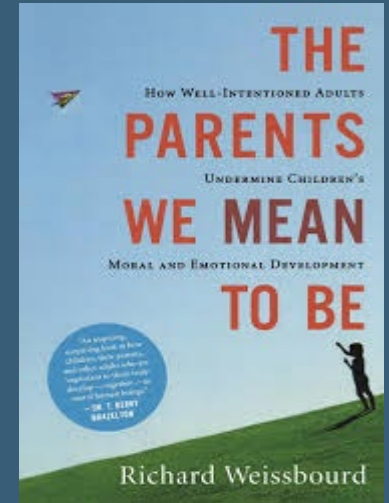
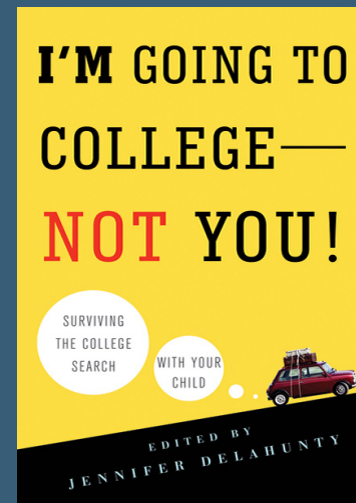
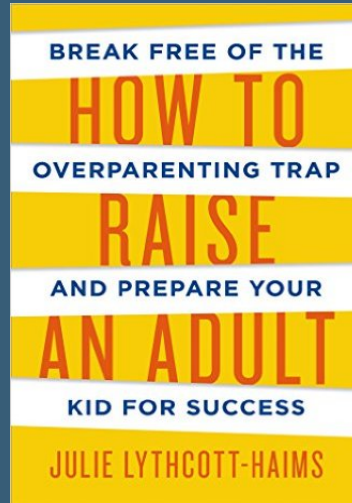
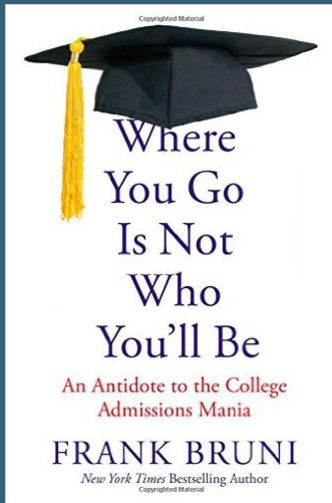
Joint Program with Bush, SAAS, Northwest and Bush

Families pick ONE night to attend, but can choose from either location!

Bush School: Tuesday, 4/21/20

U Prep: Wednesday, 4/22/20

# College Process Bookshelf





# Parting Thoughts

- Adopt a realistic approach to the college search.
- Redefine “best college” to “right college for me.”
- Concentrate on finding the right “accessible” college first.
- Ask for help.



# Part III: Break-Out Sessions

## **“Where They Are All Above Average: Highly Selective College Admissions”**

Erin Foster, Washington University in St. Louis

**Library-Main**

## **“When, Where, How? The ‘Do’s and Don’ts of College Visits”**

Maureen Pine, Smith College

**C203**

## **“Your Soliloquy and Your Leading Role: Essays and Interviews in the College Process”**

Robyn Bowers, Kenyon College

**C204**

## **“Testing. Testing. 123...: Standardized Testing in College Admissions”**

Hillary Lundberg, Northwestern University

**C207**

## **“Demystifying Testing Accommodations – A Parent’s Guide to Standardized Testing Accommodations”**

Julie Smith, University Prep Learning & Testing Specialist

**Conference Room #2**

## **“Parent Pro-Tips for the College Process”**

A Panel of UPrep parents who have gone through the process

**Commons Meeting Room**

**FAMILIES: DIVIDE AND CONQUER!**