College Questionnaire

Student Name: _____ Counselor: _____

Please return this form to your counselor 4 weeks before your college deadline

Feedback from college admissions counselors has confirmed that school counselor letters of recommendation are most helpful when they are specific and storied. A counselor's letter of recommendation should provide information and impressions an admissions counselor cannot glean from the rest of the application. As you complete your ID ME, please try to give a complete sketch of who you are as a student and the context of your accomplishments. Support your answers with facts and anecdotes whenever possible. ***Please type your responses.***

1. What motivates and excites you?

2. How have you demonstrated a willingness to take intellectual risks and go beyond the normal classroom experience? (Everyone has something to say here, think about what you do in your spare time- hobbies, interests etc…)

3. What are your strong points as a person? Do you have any special skills, talent or leadership abilities?

4. What are a few adjectives or phrases that describe you well? Please explain.

5. How do you interact with your teachers? With peers? Describe your personality and social skills.

6. What is a typical day like for you once you leave school (job, responsibilities, extracurricular activities, etc.?)

7. Tell me a story from the past or present that speaks to who you are today and its significance in your life.

8. Have you ever experienced disappointment or failure? If so, how did you react to it?

9. Are there any unusual family or personal circumstances of which I should be aware?

10. Other than what you have addressed thus far is there any other information you feel is important for me to include in your letter? (Personal obstacles, schedule conflicts, academic concerns or grades that may need to be explained)