

Student and Parent Roles and Responsibilities

During the college process we encourage students and parents to abide by the following precepts.

Student Roles and Responsibilities

- Work on increasing your knowledge of self.
- You are in the driver's seat. You are the CEO!
- Be an informed consumer.
- Do your research.
- Don't let this process affect your self-esteem.
- Focus on your needs.
- Avoid the rumor mill.
- Be mindful of deadlines.
- You represent more than yourself in this process.
- Communicate.

Parent Roles and Responsibilities

- Be realistic.
- You are in the passenger seat but you are the CFO
- Focus on the right fit.
- Use many sources to research colleges.
- Help your student think about who they are.
- Avoid the rumor mill.
- Avoid pronoun confusion ("We are applying").
- Value and celebrate these last two years.
- If you went through the college process, recognize that both schools and the process are different now.
- Where your student is admitted to college is not a reflection of your parenting.
- Communicate with your student *

***A Note About Communication with Colleges:**

We know many parents will help with certain aspects of the admissions process. Families are encouraged to support students, but to refrain from contacting admissions offices except under unusual circumstances. It is the students' responsibility to communicate directly with admissions offices to make their own tour and interview appointments, to request information, and to check on the status of their files. It is incumbent upon each student to complete their senior year with the same (or better) commitment to studies and responsibilities as in past years. Each student's academic transcript will be reported to colleges at the following times during senior year: during first quarter for EA/ED candidates, midyear, and end of senior year.