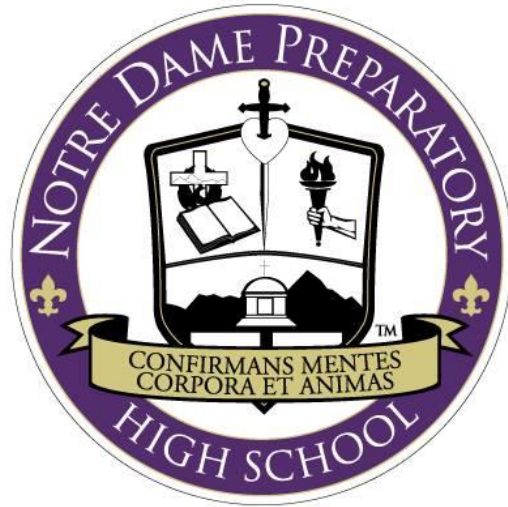


# The Journey

## Freshman to Senior Year...and Beyond

September 7, 2023



# Counseling Team

Lisa McMorrow  
(Dir.)

Last names A-F

Deanna Larson  
\*Cal Beneze  
\*Paige Peters

Last Names G-L  
G-Je  
Jo-L

Cal Beneze

Last names M-R

Paige Peters

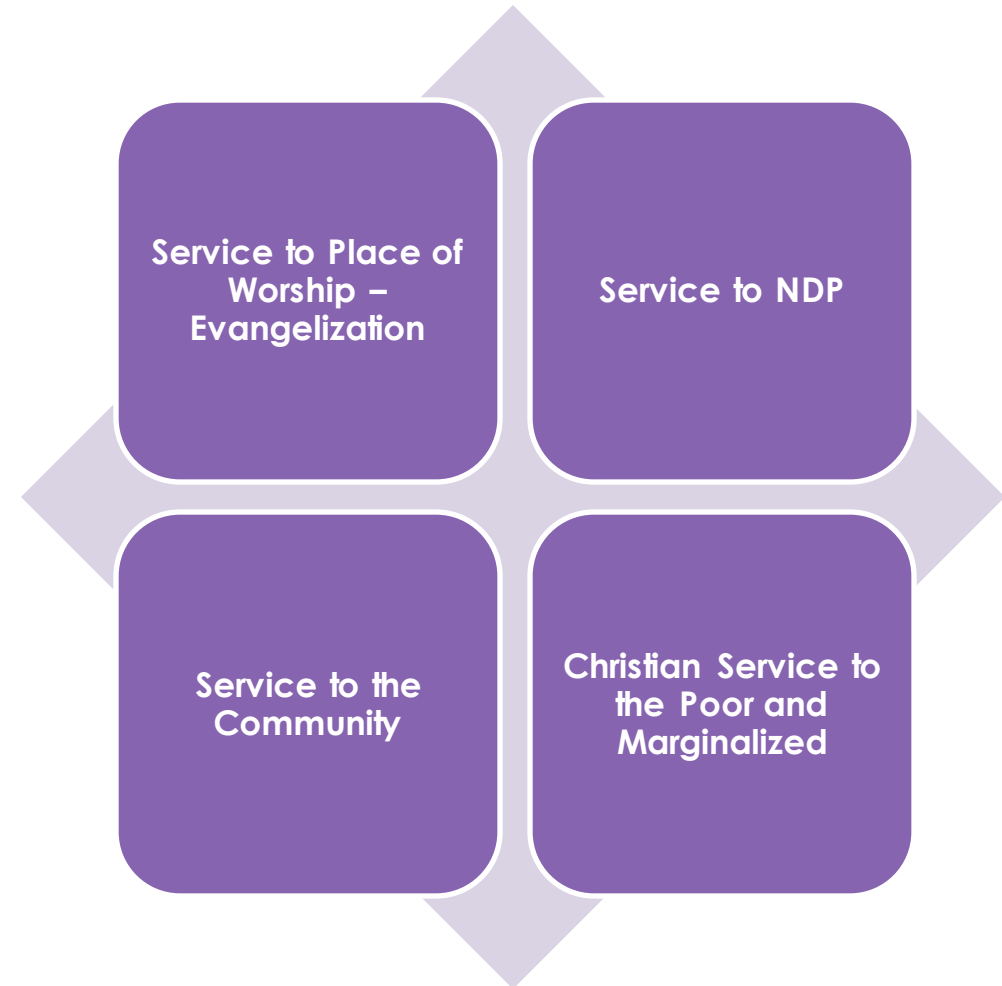
Last names S-Z

Lindsay Cusano

Administrative  
Assistant

# Christian Service

Students are required to complete a minimum of **120 hours** of Christian Service by the time they graduate. They will log their hours via their **MobileServe** accounts



# Grades

- Keep in Mind
- Freshman grades DO appear on official transcripts
- Encourage your students to:
  - Meet with their teacher
  - Explore tutoring (if possible/available)
  - Extra practice on their own
- You can access grades through Canvas.

# Graduating with Distinction

Summa Cum Laude (4.00)

Magna Cum Laude (3.85)

All require 32 (30 academic) credits to graduate

Remaining two (2) credits from Christian Service

All require 4th level of a world language

# Honors Classes

- **More rigorous** courses (increased workload, increased depth)
- Extra weight to GPA (+0.5 point)
- Required grades to place into *Honors* classes (reference both semester grades to determine placement)
  - Honors to Honors = B (83%)
  - Standard to Honors = A (93%)

# Dual Enrollment (DE) Classes



**More rigorous** courses (increased workload, increased depth)



**Honors level** DE courses earn extra weight to GPA (+0.5 point)



ALL Dual Enrollment (DE) classes earn college credit **if students earn a "C" or better**



We offer our DE classes through Scottsdale Community College and University of Arizona



College credit earned is accepted by in-state (and many out-of-state) colleges

# Advanced Placement (AP) Classes

- **Most rigorous** courses
- Extra weight to GPA (+1.0 point)
- AP exams take place in May
- College credit is awarded if a student earns a 4 or 5 on the AP exam
- Required grades to place into AP classes
  - AP to AP = B (83%)
  - Honors to AP = B+ (87%)
  - Regular to AP = A (93%)



# Standardized Testing Journey

## 10th Grade

- PSAT
- Practice ACT
- AP



## 11th Grade

- PSAT
- Practice ACT
- SAT
- ACT
- AP



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## 12th Grade

- SAT
- ACT
- AP

# PSAT



October 18, 2023: Sophomores & Juniors take the PSAT at NDP (Required)



Designed to measure the ability to understand and process elements of reading, writing, and mathematics



Determines National Merit scholarship eligibility for juniors



When your students receive their test results, they can connect with Khan Academy to get free personalized study recommendations

# Practice ACT, SAT, and ACT



Taken in the spring: Sophomores & Juniors



collegeboard.org for all SAT-related information



act.org for all ACT-related information



More colleges are becoming test optional



Free test prep resources:

dictionary.com  
Khan Academy  
act.org

# Decisions, Decisions

- Attend NDP College Visits
- Attend College Fair Events
- Visit College Campuses
- Research Colleges
  - SCOIR

# Factors Influencing College Admission

Grades (GPA)

Strength of  
Curriculum

Test Scores (ACT  
or SAT)

Extracurricular  
Involvement

College Essays

Letters of  
Recommendation

Institutional Need



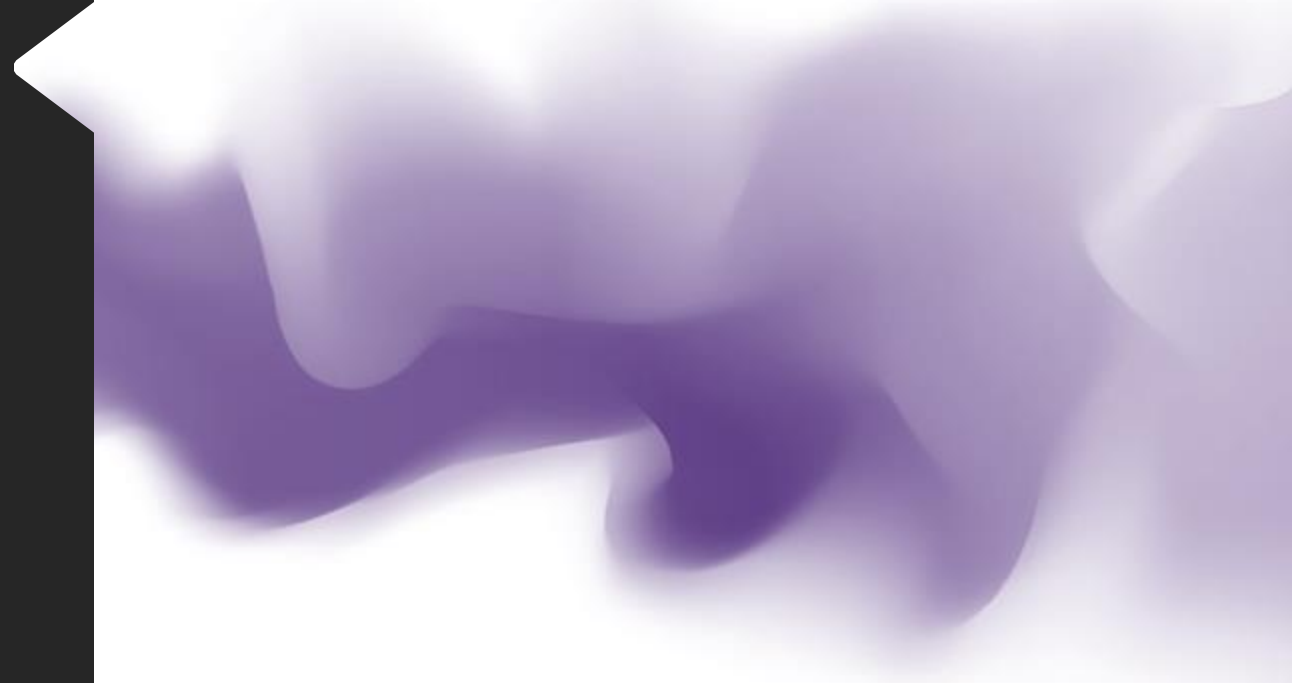
# Extracurricular Activities

## Quality over quantity

- Sports
- Arts (Drama, Choir, Jazz Ensemble)
- Clubs
- Jobs
- Internships
- \*\*Highlight leadership experience(s)
  - i.e.: House Leadership position(s), Captain on a sports team

# Institutional Need

- Year-specific individual institutional needs
- Special talents (arts/athletics)
- Geographic considerations (does the school "need" students from a certain school/city/state?)
- Demographic considerations (does the school "need" students of certain demographics?)





# Financial Aid



Scholarships



Grants



Work-Study



Loans

# Scholarships

## Individual Scholarships

- Based on academic achievement, leadership qualities, community service work, special talents, acceptance to a specific program, or combination of all

## **SOME scholarship websites we recommend**

- Fastweb.com
- Goingmerry.com
- Chegg.com
- Raise.me
- Tallo.com

# Athletic Scholarships

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- Athletic Scholarships are not for 4 years - they are renewable each academic year, and may be increased, renewed, reduced, or withdrawn.

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- Athletic Scholarships can be awarded in a variety of amounts – full, to partial, to books, etc.

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- Excelling academically will make you eligible for even more athletic scholarships

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- NCAA – Div. I & II: [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)

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- NAIA Eligibility Center: [www.playnaia.org](http://www.playnaia.org)

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# Grants

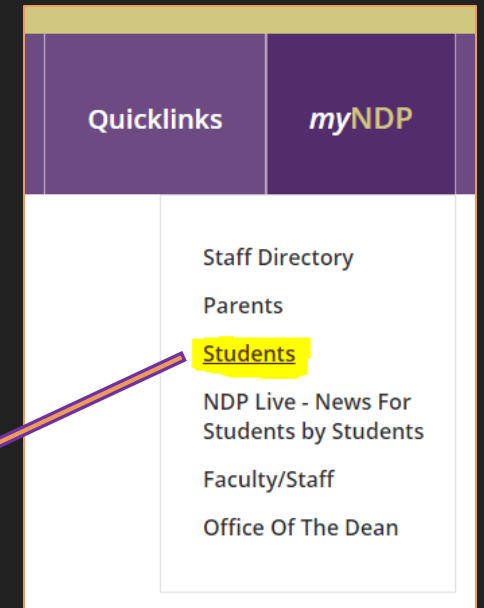
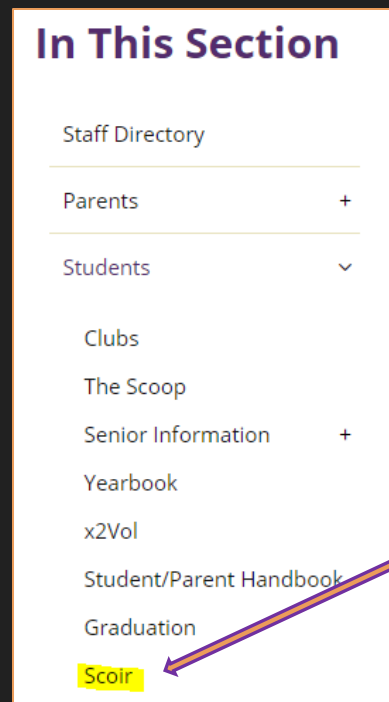
- Free Money!
  - Federal (Government)
    - Need-based
    - FAFSA required
  - Institutional (College)
    - Need-based
    - FAFSA required
    - CSS required (Only for institutional grants)

# SCOIR

- College and career readiness software provider
- Offers access to information regarding colleges and universities across the United States
- Manages recommendation letters, surveys, and transcripts
- All freshman students will receive access information in class. Parents will receive access to their student's SCOIR profile during the school year.

## How to access Scoir:

- Go to [www.ndpsaints.org](http://www.ndpsaints.org)
- Hover over "myNDP" on the right and then click "Students"
- On the left-hand side under "In This Section" scroll down and click "SCOIR"



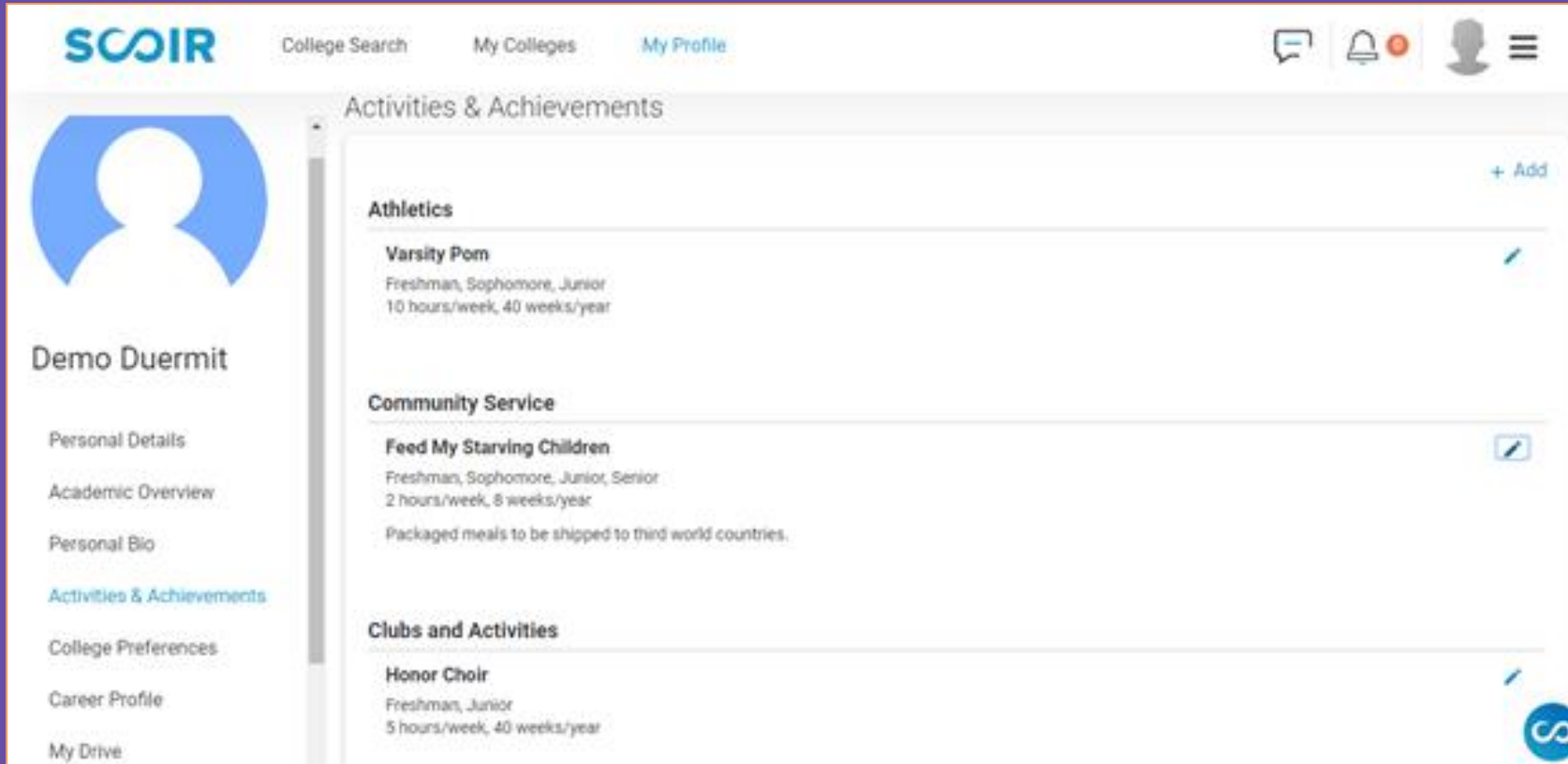
Introducing

SCAIR

# SCOIR

## Creating a Resume

“My Profile” ⇒ “Activities & Achievements” ⇒ “+ Add”



The screenshot displays the SCOIR user interface. At the top, the navigation bar includes the SCOIR logo, links for 'College Search', 'My Colleges', and 'My Profile' (which is highlighted). On the right side of the navigation bar are icons for chat, notifications, a user profile, and a menu. The main content area is titled 'Activities & Achievements' and features a '+ Add' button in the top right corner. A left sidebar shows the user's name 'Demo Duermit' and a list of profile sections: 'Personal Details', 'Academic Overview', 'Personal Bio', 'Activities & Achievements' (highlighted in blue), 'College Preferences', 'Career Profile', and 'My Drive'. The 'Activities & Achievements' section is divided into three categories: 'Athletics', 'Community Service', and 'Clubs and Activities'. Under 'Athletics', there is an entry for 'Varsity Pom' for Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior, with a commitment of 10 hours/week for 40 weeks/year. Under 'Community Service', there is an entry for 'Feed My Starving Children' for Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior, with a commitment of 2 hours/week for 8 weeks/year, and a description: 'Packaged meals to be shipped to third world countries.' Under 'Clubs and Activities', there is an entry for 'Honor Choir' for Freshman and Junior, with a commitment of 5 hours/week for 40 weeks/year. Each activity entry has a pencil icon for editing. A blue circular logo with a white 'S' is visible in the bottom right corner of the page.

**SCOIR** College Search My Colleges **My Profile**

Activities & Achievements

**Athletics**

**Varsity Pom**  
Freshman, Sophomore, Junior  
10 hours/week, 40 weeks/year

**Community Service**

**Feed My Starving Children**  
Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior  
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**Demo Duermit**

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

# SCOIR

## Discover

“Discover” ⇒ “All Colleges” ⇒ Fill out preferences

The screenshot displays the SCOIR Discover interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Discover', 'My Colleges', and 'My Profile'. Below this, a search bar is visible with a 'Private Search' toggle and a 'Reset' button. The main content area shows '2,893 Colleges' and a filter for 'Country - United States of America'. A sidebar on the left lists various filters: College Name, Personal Interests & Activities, Academic Focus, Undergraduate Degrees, Distance/Location, No. Undergrads, Athletics, Test Scores/Acceptance Rate, School Type, Campus Setting, ROTC Programs Offered, and Application Info. The main list displays four colleges with their respective logos, names, locations, and statistics (Average SAT Score, Average ACT Score, Acceptance Rate, and No. Undergrads). Each college entry includes 'Compare' and 'Follow' buttons.

College Name	Location	Average SAT Score	Average ACT Score	Acceptance Rate	No. Undergrads
Aaniiih Nakoda College	Harlem, MT	—	—	—	131
Abilene Christian University	Abilene, TX	1122	24	61%	3,525
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College	Tifton, GA	1025	19	73%	3,927
Academy for Nursing and Health Occupations	West Palm Beach, FL	—	—	—	552



# SCOIR

## Discover

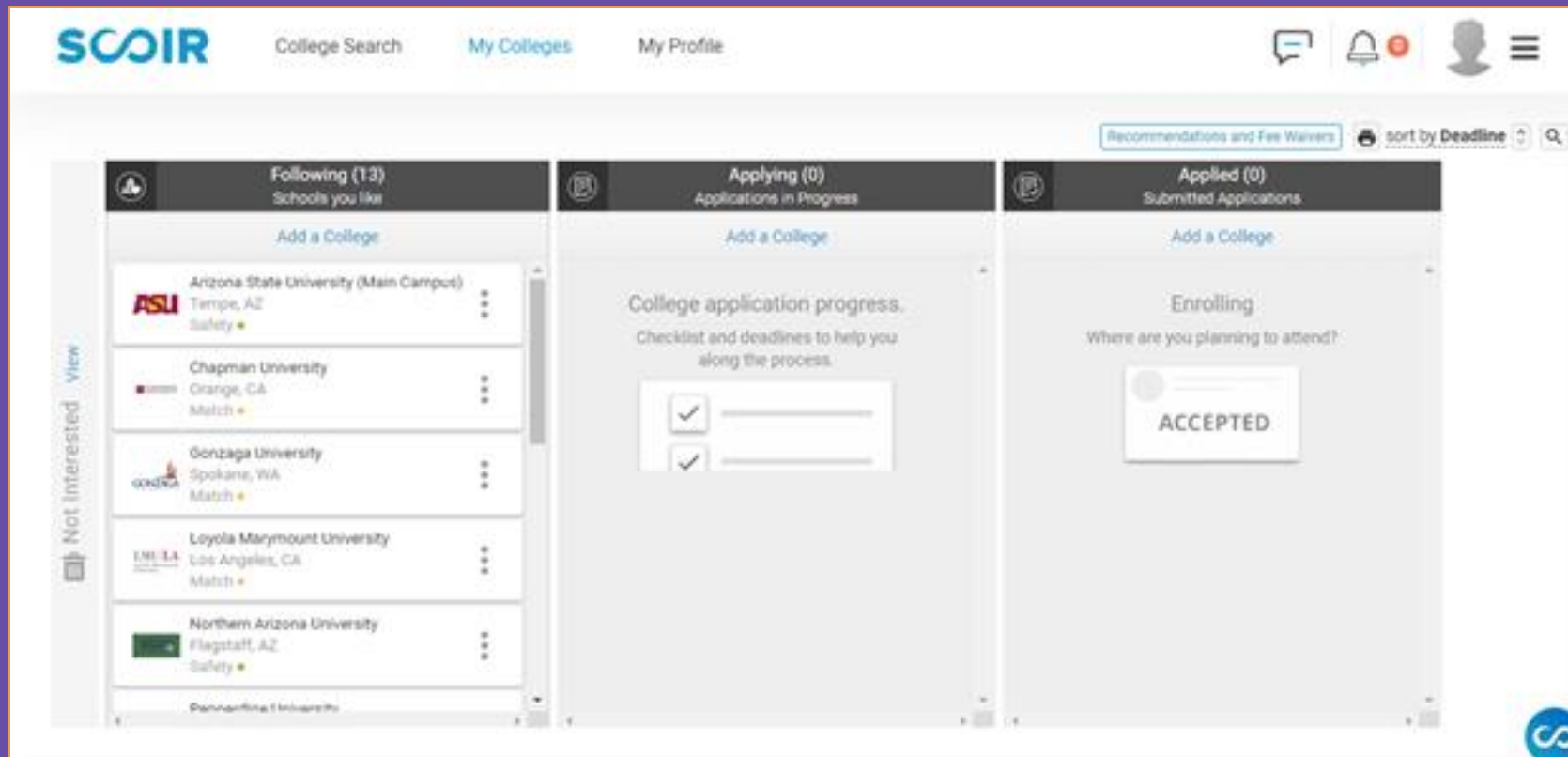
You can then click on each college to find more detailed information. This includes acceptance rate, cost, virtual tours, average SAT/ACT scores, student life, makeup of the student body, retention rates, top majors, and proximity to transportation.



# SCOIR

## My Colleges - Following

“My Colleges” ⇒ Add and view colleges under “Following”



# SCOIR

## Sign Up for College Visits

Home Page ⇒ “Visits & Deadlines” ⇒ “Filter” ⇒ “Count Me In”

The screenshot displays the SCOIR 'Visits & Deadlines' interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'SCOIR', 'College Search', 'My Colleges', and 'My Profile'. On the right, there are icons for a chat bubble, a bell, a profile picture, and a hamburger menu. The main heading is 'Visits & Deadlines'. Below it, a 'Filters' sidebar on the left includes: 'Application Deadlines' (unchecked), 'College Visits' (checked), 'All Upcoming Visits' (selected with a blue dot), 'Visits from My Colleges' (unchecked), and 'Only My Registered Visits' (unchecked). The main content area shows a calendar view with visits listed by month. Each entry includes a date, day of the week, college name, time, location, number of registered users, a 'View' link, and a 'Count Me In' button with a checkmark icon.

Month	Date	Day	College	Time	Location	Registered	Action
March	21	Thu	West Chester University of Pen...	12:00 PM - 01:00 PM	TBD	0 Registered	View, Count Me In
April	2	Tue	Pennsylvania State University (University Park, PA)	09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	TBD	0 Registered	View, Count Me In
April	9	Tue	Temple University (Philadelphia, PA)	09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	TBD	0 Registered	View, Count Me In
			Drexel University (Philadelphia, PA)				
May	3	Fri	Villanova University	09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	TBD	0 Registered	View, Count Me In

# Major Clarity

Support Center

## Roadmap to College

Navigating students and families through the college application process with key dates, monthly action steps and links to CGI content to guide you along the way.

**Note:** There is no single college planning timeline for every student, and your school may use a slightly different schedule than the one offered here.

Class of 2023

Monthly tips and to-dos

May >

**QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

"You won't be the first to college, but you will be the first to graduate. Make the most of your time and make it count."

**KEY DATES**

**1** **Deadlines**

**2** **AP Exam Dates**

**ACTION STEPS**

**Deadlines**

**Navigation to College**

**STARTER PACK**

**Try Now**

### Class of 2023 Roadmap to College


Graduation is around the corner! CGI is here for you with timely tips to help you finish strong and get started on the next stage of your journey.

[View the Roadmap](#)

### Class of 2024 Roadmap to College

Things are getting interesting! And CGI is here for you with a navigation system to guide you through the entire college application process. See key dates, monthly action plans and helpful advice from top experts.

[View the Roadmap](#)



An additional career planning platform along with Scoir. Students will be able to take assessments, get matched up with careers, learn in-depth information about different career fields, and much more! All students are automatically registered and can login with their current NDP credentials.

# College Guidance Network

College Guidance Network (CGN) helps students and parents create a roadmap for applying to college. They also host live events, videos, webinars, and much more, covering all facets of the college search and application process!

## Notre Dame Preparatory High School College & Career Library - Parents

- ✓ Click this activation link:  
<https://www.school.collegeguidancenetwork.com/activate/030392>
- ✓ Select "I do not have a school email address."
- ✓ Enter your information and click "create account" button.
- 1. Enter the parent PIN: **239492**
- ✓ Bookmark the log-in link that you will use moving forward:  
<https://www.school.collegeguidancenetwork.com/id/030392>

The background of the slide is a dark teal color, densely populated with numerous speech bubbles of various colors including red, yellow, purple, and grey. Each speech bubble contains a large, dark blue question mark. The bubbles are scattered across the entire frame, creating a pattern that suggests a Q&A session or a period of inquiry.

Thank you!  
Any questions?