

# The EG School Counseling Department

Information for Parents  
&  
An Introduction to Naviance

# Who We Are

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The EG School Counseling Program is in alignment with The American School Counseling Association (ASCA) National Standards for School Counseling Programs. Under ASCA's guidelines the following three areas are identified as essential components to a comprehensive developmental guidance program:

- Academic Development
- Career Development
- Personal/Social Development

Students will be instructed and encouraged to utilize their Individualized Learning Plans (ILPs) to set realistic goals, monitor growth and track progress in one or more of these areas.

# Freshman Year

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We meet with each student individually early in the year to introduce ourselves and encourage students, discuss transition issues and encourage engagement in the school community.

What should you know as parents:

- Grades in 9th grade matter....it is hard to improve a GPA after a lackluster freshman year
- Classes in high school at both the college prep and honors level are far more challenging than in middle school.
- We are teaching students to be independent....please help us to help your students become good self-advocates

# Sophomore Year

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We work on career exploration and self-awareness in small groups through advisory.

What you should know as parents:

- Many students find the second year more challenging than the first
  - Less nightly homework and more long term assignments
  - Coursework requires students to analyze and synthesize information
  - Students have little choice over their core classes.
- Help us encourage your students to improve time management skills and maintain balance.

# Junior Year

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We introduce the college application process through a student assembly, an evening event for families and individual planning meetings for each student and their parents.

What you should know as parents:

- Students have more choices in their schedule. Encourage them to take the most challenging classes that they can handle both intellectually and emotionally.
- Have fun with the college search process and keep an open mind by focusing on schools that are a good fit for your student
- Encourage your students to continue with the activities that are important to them and begin to grow as leaders through them.

# Senior Year

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We work with each student to develop their post-high school plan. We run Common Application workshops and are available to students for any help they might need from finalizing their list of colleges, proofreading applications and essays and answering any and all questions.

What you should know as parents:

- The process truly does work as long as students have a good range of schools to which they are applying.
- Colleges want to see good grades in challenging coursework. Encourage your students to finish strong.
- Your student's stress level is incredibly high this year! Try to help them to not overextend themselves in academics and/or extracurricular activities.

# Naviance

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## What Is Naviance Family Connection?

It is a comprehensive K-12 college and career readiness platform that enables self-discovery, career exploration, academic planning, and college preparation.

Through Naviance you will have access to Family Connection which gives you access to online resources, communication tools, and college and career collaborative activities.

# Family Connection

- Notice of college visits
- Research colleges: compare colleges
- Information about college majors
- Create Resume
- Scattergrams
- Interest Inventories
- Career Searches

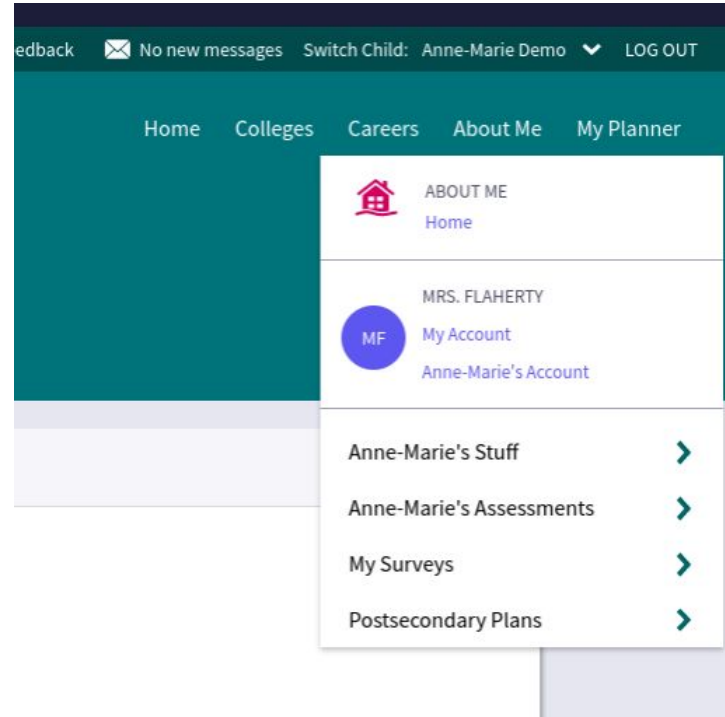
# About Me

- **My Stuff**

- Create a resume
- View test scores

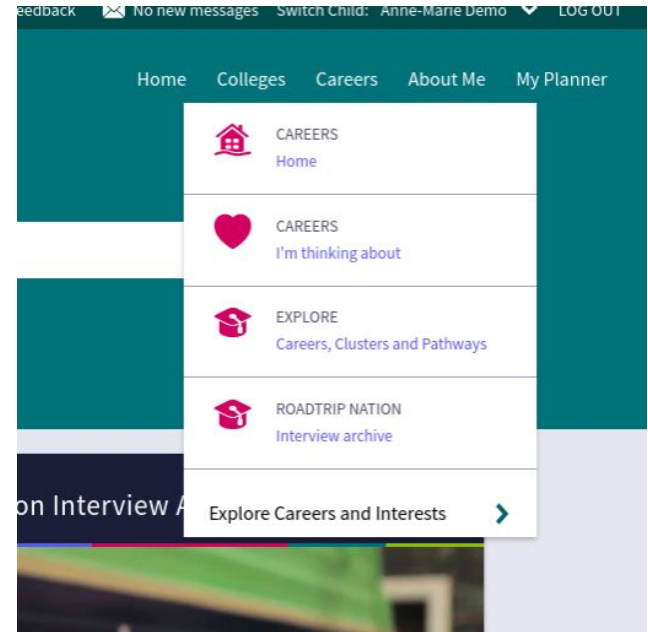
- **Assessments**

- Do What You Are
- MI Advantage
- Learning Styles Inventory
- Strengths Explorer
- Career Interest Profiler
- Career Cluster Finder



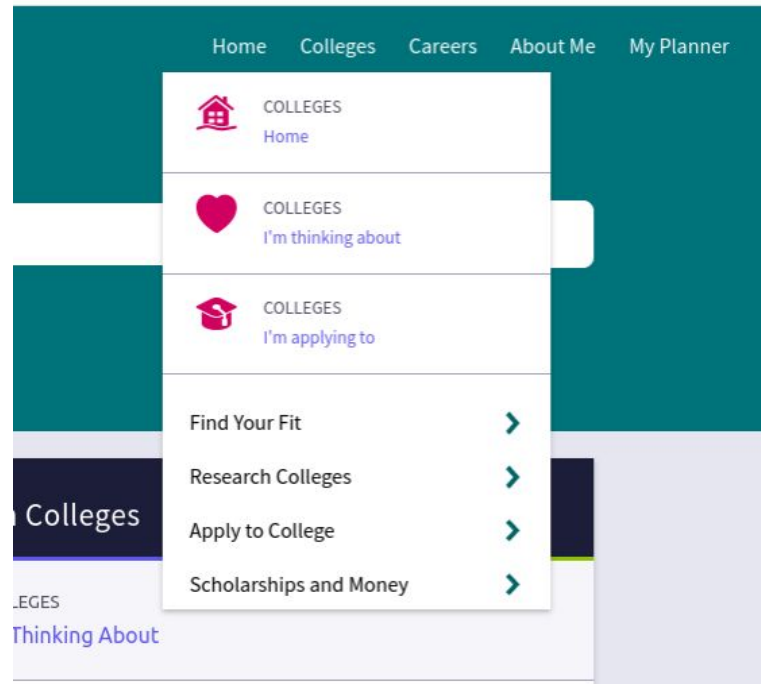
# Careers

- Search by name
- Descriptions of occupations: skills/knowledge, tasks, wages
- Related occupations
- Related majors & Plans of Study
- Colleges with related majors
- Road Trip Nation



# Colleges

- Colleges I'm Thinking About
- Colleges I'm Applying To
- Find Your Fit
  - Super Match
  - College Match
  - Scattergrams
- Research Colleges
  - College Compare
  - College Resources
  - Acceptance History
  - College Maps
  - College Visits



# Super Match

Students can discover colleges that are a fit with what they are looking for in a college and a match with their academic profile.

The screenshot displays the SuperMatch College Search interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'SuperMatch College Search' and 'About SuperMatch'. Below this is a menu of search criteria: 'Choose Fit Criteria', 'Location', 'Academics', 'Admission', 'Diversity', 'Institution Characteristics', 'Cost', 'Student Life', 'Athletics', and 'Resources'. The 'Your Fit Criteria' section shows '0 selected criteria' and a 'Select Criteria To Start' button. There are also sections for 'Must Have' and 'Nice to Have' criteria. The 'Your Results' section indicates that 6 institutions match the criteria with a fit score of 90% or above. A table shows the details for Southern New Hampshire University, including its location, fit score, academic match, highlights, cost, and a 'PIN TO COMPARE' button.

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# College Match

## College Match

 Search for colleges

Colleges Other Students Like

Colleges That Have Accepted Students Like You

We have analyzed applications from thousands of High Schools to determine what colleges are most likely to overlap with the colleges on your favorites list when students apply.

STUDENTS WHO APPLY TO  
Boston University

81071 applications analyzed

Also apply to...


**Northeastern Univ**

 52 miles from your school



Also apply to...

**New York University**

 146 miles from your school



Also apply to...

**Boston Coll**

 50 miles from your school



# Scattergrams

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Show students how their peers at EGHS fared with individual colleges and universities—and helps provide a sense of how they can expect to perform in the admissions process.



# Next Steps

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Encourage your students to get on Naviance and explore!

- Search for college information
- Begin creating a resume
- Check out some of the interest inventories
- Watch some of the videos on Road Trip Nation

# Questions

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