



PRINCETON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT BRAG SHEET

NAME:

COUNSELOR:

EMAIL:

CELL PHONE:

EARLIEST COLLEGE DEADLINE:

It's hard for people to talk about their own talents and accomplishments, however, your brag sheet is a place where it's ok to do just that. Brag about yourself! This is a judgment free zone where you have our permission to let loose and tell us anything and everything about you.

We mean it! Tell us everything about your high school experience. The more details you give us, the better it helps us write your letter of recommendation. What do you want colleges to know about you?

Here are some format guidelines:

Length: 1-2 pages

Style: Essay format with anecdotal stories. We use these stories to highlight your character strengths.

Deadline for submission of brag sheet to counselor: Before the end of the 11th grade school year or at least 8-weeks prior to the student's earliest college deadline.

Here are some guiding questions:

1. What is your passion? In other words, tell me something that you do or believe that really makes you come alive.
2. What subject(s) are you considering for your major(s)? What career are you considering?
3. Imagine you are writing a letter of recommendation for a student identical to you. How would you describe your best qualities? Give three adjectives and explain.
4. How did your community service, jobs, clubs, and/or internships during high school contribute to your future goals?

5. In terms of your family, how do you fit in? What roles do you play (peacemaker, clown, serious one)? Who do you live with (single parent/both parents, siblings)? What makes your family special or different? Who has been most significant to you and why?
6. Where and how have you shown responsibility or leadership? (Ex. Caring for younger siblings, officer of a club, church leader)
7. Describe any travel experiences and how they affected you (what you learned).
8. Describe any special talents you possess (music, art, sports, bilingual, etc.). Include training and years of involvement
9. Describe special circumstances, difficulties, or obstacles that you have had to deal with during your high school career, if any, and how you dealt with them and what you learned. Do not assume I already know!
10. Describe any other activities in which you have been involved (church, scouts, tutoring, community clubs or agencies, etc.). What was your involvement and why were they meaningful to you?
11. During your high school career, what do you consider your proudest **academic** accomplishments? Or describe a class that was meaningful to you and why.
12. During your high school career, what do you consider your proudest **personal** accomplishments?
13. What do you choose to learn when on your own?
14. Is there anything else you want me to know? What points or qualities do you feel I should stress in the letter of recommendation? (perhaps something that you could not fit in your essay)