

IDEAL's College Preparation Program

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Counselor works closely with students and their families in a year-long **College Research and Exploration** course. Together with families, they develop a student-centered, individualized plan.

Highlights of IDEAL's College Preparation Program:

- Weekly college preparation class for students in Grades 11 and 12 including a personal statement writing workshop, interview preparation, and letters of recommendation
- SCOIR platform utilized as a research tool to learn about different types of colleges
- Four-month SAT test preparation class with Empire Edge and the opportunity to take the SAT, PSAT, and PSAT 10 on IDEAL's campus
- Annual trips to visit local colleges and universities
- College information nights with college representatives, test preparation experts, and financial aid officers



College and Postsecondary Counseling



IDEAL offers college and postsecondary counseling that is student-centered and individualized to encourage students to take ownership of the process.

Please contact me if you have questions or want to talk about postsecondary opportunities for your child.

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What Happens When – An Overview

High School is a time to learn, grow, develop new interests, and make mistakes. While students do not apply to college until their senior year, the process begins in ninth grade and continues throughout High School.

Important grade milestones and markers for college preparation:

Grade 9

Keeping in mind that in Grade 11, students who will be taking the SAT/ACT may apply for testing accommodations. Evaluations need to have been carried out within three years of testing.

Grade 10

In tenth grade, students can take the PSAT10 in the spring or the Pre-ACT in the summer. Tenth graders should be engaged in several extracurricular activities over the course of the year and may consider applying to a summer program that enriches their extracurricular or academic interests.

Grade 11

By eleventh grade, students should be thoroughly engaged in the process, utilizing online resources to develop a list of schools, moving into leadership roles, begin completing the Common Application, and seek out internship or work opportunities.

- Students will take the PSAT in October and will prepare throughout the year for the spring SAT or ACT.
- Students will request letters of recommendation from their teachers.
- Visit college campuses during breaks and attend local fairs.

Grade 12

The counselor will guide students through finalizing their college lists via one-on-one meetings and family conferences focused on the application and financial aid process so students can narrow their choices and begin to complete their plans beyond IDEAL.

Full List of College and Postsecondary Acceptances

Adelphi University*
 Aiken Technical College
 American University (D.C.)*
 Bard College*
 Barry University
 Baruch College*
 Baylor University
 Berkshire Hills Music Academy*
 Binghamton University
 Bridgewater State University
 Brooklyn College*
 Bronx Community College*
 Borough of Manhattan Community College*
 Catholic University of America*
 Central Connecticut State University
 Chapel Haven•
 City College of New York•
 Clark Atlanta University
 Colgate University
 College of Mount Saint Vincent–Bridge Program*
 College of Saint Rose*
 Cooke Transitions*
 Elizabeth City State University
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 Drexel University*
 Dutchess Community College*
 Emerson College*
 Fairleigh Dickenson
 Five Towns College*
 Florida Atlantic University
 Florida Institute of Technology
 Florida State University
 Franklin Academy*
 George Mason University: Mason Life Program*
 Goucher College*
 Guttman Community College*
 Hamilton College*
 Hampton University
 Hostos Community College (CUNY)
 Howard University*
 Hunter College*
 IDEAL Next Steps Transition Program*
 Iona University*
 Jacksonville University
 John Jay College
 Keuka College*
 Kansas State University
 Kean University
 Kingsborough Community College*
 LaGuardia Community College*
 Landmark College*

Lasell University
 Lehman College*
 Le Moyne College
 Lincoln University
 Long Island University*
 Long Island University Brooklyn-Honors College*
 Loyola University New Orleans
 Macaulay Honors College at Hunter College*
 Manhattan College*
 Manhattanville College*
 Maplebrook School*
 Marist College*
 Marymount Manhattan College*
 Medgar Evers College*
 Mercy College*
 Mercyhurst University*
 Millersville University: Integrated Studies Program*
 Mitchell College*
 Montclair State University
 Morgan State University*
 Mount Holyoke
 Muhlenberg College*
 The New School*
 New York City College of Technology*
 New York University*
 Norfolk State University*
 North Carolina A&T State University
 Nova Southeastern University
 Oberlin College*
 Pace University*
 Penn State Beaver*
 Pennsylvania Western University*
 Police Academy – Explorers Program*
 Queens College – Honors College
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 Riverview School*
 Roberts Wesleyan College*
 Rochester Institute of Technology*
 Roosevelt University*
 Rutgers University
 Saint Joseph's University*
 Saint Thomas Aquinas College*
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 Savannah State University
 Sarah Lawrence College*
 Seton Hall University
 Southern Connecticut State University
 Spelman College*
 St. John's University Queens
 Suffolk University
 SUNY Albany*

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SUNY Binghamton*
 SUNY Brockport*
 SUNY Broome Community College
 SUNY Buffalo State University*
 SUNY Canton*
 SUNY Cobleskill*
 SUNY Cortland*
 SUNY Delhi*
 SUNY Farmingdale*
 SUNY Fredonia
 SUNY Geneseo*
 SUNY Hostos*
 SUNY Maritime*
 SUNY New Paltz*
 SUNY Old Westbury*
 SUNY Oneonta*
 SUNY Orange
 SUNY Oswego
 SUNY Plattsburgh*
 SUNY Polytechnic Institute*
 SUNY Potsdam*
 SUNY Purchase*
 SUNY Stony Brook
 SUNY University at Albany
 SUNY University at Buffalo
 Susquehanna University
 Syracuse University: Inclusive U*
 University of Colorado Boulder
 University of Colorado Denver
 University of Connecticut
 University of Denver
 University of Houston
 University of Mary Washington
 University of Maryland: College Park
 University of New Haven
 University of North Carolina Greensboro*
 University of Rhode Island
 University of San Francisco*
 University of South Carolina Aiken*
 Ursinus College*
 Utica College*
 Vaughn College
 Virginia State University
 Wesleyan College*
 Westchester Community College*
 Western New England University*
 Winston Transitions*
 Xavier University of LA*
 York College*