



General Approach to the Application Process

We understand that the admissions process can feel overwhelming at times. It's natural to ask yourself, "Will I get into Solebury? Or other schools? Will I receive the financial aid I need?" These are common concerns. However, we encourage you to approach this journey with trust in the process. It's about finding the right fit—a mutual discovery between you and the school that will hopefully lead to a shared decision to embark on a meaningful journey together. This journey is focused on helping young people learn, grow, and thrive as they develop into well-rounded adults.

A key part of making this journey successful is engaging in thoughtful self-reflection. Over the coming months, you'll be asked to think about what matters most to you, and this reflection will guide your choices. It's unlikely that any one school will offer everything you're looking for at the exact level you hope, but that's part of the process—identifying what's truly important. Consider questions like:

- **Do I want to be part of a sports team, like soccer?**
- **What kind of daily schedule will allow me to not only learn but live the life I want?**
- **Am I willing to commute to the right school, or are logistics a higher priority?**
- **How does a school's location influence its student life and residential experience?**

Reflecting on these questions will help clarify your priorities as both a student and a family. This process of self-discovery is incredibly valuable and can lead to more productive and enjoyable decision-making. The more thoughtfully you approach the journey, the more rewarding and positive the outcome is likely to be.



Pro Tip: Keep a Notebook! Dedicate a few pages to each school you visit. After each campus tour or information session, take a few moments to jot down your thoughts. What did you like? How did the campus feel? What stood out to you? Creating a pros and cons list right away will help keep your impressions clear and fresh as you continue to explore your options.

