

VISITING COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

During a student's high school career he/she should take advantage of every opportunity to visit colleges/universities. Students should schedule "official visits" in advance with the college Admission Office. During official visits, students and parents can meet with admissions and financial aid counselors, take a tour of campus, and possibly speak with students, professors, and/or coaches in areas of interest. Students are highly encouraged to visit colleges during junior year and into the fall of senior year. We would recommend looking at several colleges, keeping in mind the following:

Cost	Size of College
Career Plans	Location
Areas of Interest	Public/Private College
Entrance Requirements	Extracurricular Activities
Distance from Home	Placement Into a Career After College

Possible questions to ask while on a college visit:

- How many students attend?
- Do professors teach undergraduate courses, or do they use teaching assistants?
- What is the average class size and the student-faculty ratio?
- How many years does it take most students to graduate?
- Are faculty members easy to reach outside of class?
- What are your academic majors and programs?
- What percentage of students participate in an internship?
- What computer and educational technology is available for student use?
- What do students typically do for fun?
- Do students typically stay on campus or go home on the weekends?
- What are your admission requirements?
- Do you offer any service opportunities?
- What types of housing are available?
- Do you accept Advanced Placement credits?
- What percentage of your students are employed or accepted to a graduate program after graduation?
- Do you recommend students have a car? How is parking?
- How is the campus food? What are your meal plans?
- Are there study abroad opportunities?

