

Our Consolidated Page of Research Links

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Our Favorites - Some Important Links!

www.princetonreview.com - All sorts of college information
www.collegeboard.com - SAT test plus all sorts of testing and college preparation information
www.act.org - ACT test and other resources
www.nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cool - College Opportunities On-Line (COOL) - links to 7000 colleges/universities
www.studentaid.ed.gov - Federal Student Aid Site or call 1-800-433-3243 (TTY 800-730-8913 for hearing impaired)
www.finaid.org - Student aid resource site
www.ed.gov/students - Student gateway to the US Government
wdcrobcolp01.ed.gov/Programs/EROD - Search state aid resources by state
www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams - Avoid scholarship scams - don't pay! (Federal Trade Commission site)

For Parents

www.collegeparents.org - An excellent resource for parents with kids of all ages
www.psparents.net - Public School Parents' Network
www.ed.gov/parents - Parent gateway to the US Government
www.theantidrug.com - Parents, the Anti Drug
www.angriesout.com - Anger website
www.edap.org - National Eating Disorder Association
www.fullsteemahead.org - Raising healthy kids
mycollegeoptions.com - What parents can do to help
www.pmus.com/en/prc/index.asp?source=home_fca2 - Parent resource for preventing your child from smoking
www.factsontap.org/transitions/parents.htm - Parent guide to alcohol abuse

(Also see the section on Health and Balance [click here](#))

For High School College/Career Counselors

ccvillage.buffalo.edu/centers.html - student counseling centers on the internet
www.nacacnet.org/MemberPortal/Products/Publications/stepbystep.htm - Step by Step College Workshops (NACAC)
www.counseling.org - American Counseling Association
www.educationalconsulting.org - Independent Educational Consultants Association
www.collegeboard.com/prof/counselors - a resource for educators (College Board)
www.schoolcounselor.org - ASCA (American School Counselor Association)
www.nacacnet.org - NACAC - National Association for College Admission Counseling
www.wacac.org - WACAC - Western Association for College Admission Counseling
ifap.ed.gov/FSACounselors/clcf/main.html - federal student aid information for counselors
www2.edtrust.org/edtrust/default - The Education Trust
www.collegeanswer.com/counselor/content - counselor resources
www.schoolcounselor-ca.org - CASC: California Association of School Counselors
www.collegeanswer.com/counselor/content - counselor resources
www.counselorcompanion.com - Counselor Companion
www.pathwaystocollege.net - Pathways to College Network
www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/clcf - Federal Student Aid Resource for Counselors
www.acm.edu - Associated Colleges of the Midwest
www.acpa.nche.edu - College Student Educators International
www.apa.org - American Psychological Association
www.acha.org - American College Health Association
www.amhca.org - American Mental Health Counselors Association
www.cas.edu - Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education (CAS)
www.cacrep.org - Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs
www.iacsinc.org - International Association of Counseling Services (IACS)
www.nbcc.org - National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC)
www.nccounseling.org/nccca - North Carolina College Counseling Association (NCCCA)
www.AUCCCD.org - Association for University and College Counseling Center Directors (AUCCCD)
www2.kumc.edu/people/llong/picc - Positions in Counseling Centers (PICC)
www.aucccd.org/Links.htm - College Counseling Resources
www.ed.uab.edu/cinematherapy/home.html - Cinematherapy (movie use in counseling)
ub-counseling.buffalo.edu/ccv.html - Counseling Center Village

Personality and Career Assessment

[Planning a Career: A Guided Tour](#)
www.cdm.uwaterloo.ca - career interest test and planning guide
[Interests Assessment](#) - May help you learn more about your preferences. Based on John Holland's Theory of Vocational Choice.
apps.collegeboard.com/myroad/navigator.jsp - My Road program offered through the College Board
[Personality Test](#) - on-line personality test which scores results according to the Myers-Briggs system.
[Learning Styles Assessment](#)
[Life Colors Questionnaire](#) - What Kind of Person Are You?
[The Princeton Review Career Test](#)
[Career Match Inventory](#) - Californiacolleges.org
[Career Games](#)
[The Career Key](#) - free public service to help people make sound career decisions.
[2004-2005 Occupational Handbook](#) - excellent career resource.
[Vocational Information Center](#)
[Adventures in Education](#) - information about career planning, college selection and financial aid.
[Bureau of Labor and Statistics Career Guide](#) - The site will link the subject in school you like to possible careers.
[School to Careers](#)
[Career Quest](#)

Career Resources

Explore Career Pathways

Career Options by Academic/Industry Area

www.ipl.org/teen/pathways - narrow down career choices, gain insight into careers, learn interview, cover letter, and resume tips.

Career Guides - guides for specific careers.

Career Development Manual - Steps to Career/Life Planning Success.

Exploring Career Paths

Job-Smart: Career Guides - information about planning your career.

Career Resource Center

Career Mosaic's Career Resource Center - all the tools you'll need to put your career on the fast track..

What Can I Do With A Major In....?

Occupational Information - career options.

Learn about Careers

www.careervoyages.gov - career information for parents and students

myfuture.com - planning for your future

www.careerinfonet.org - career information

www.EducationPlanner.com - career resources

careernet.4jobs.com - industry specific career channels

www.careeroverview.com - Career, Job, Education and Employment Information and Descriptions

www.careerpathsonline.com - career planning resources

www.careerexplorer.net/test.asp - find your perfect career

www.khake.com - all sorts of career and vocational information

www.careerkey.org - career assessment (there is a fee to take their individualized test)

www.mapping-your-future.org/features/careership - mapping your career (for Middle School students)

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/pi/cte - career and technical education

www.sayplanning.com/mappingmycareer - career planning

www.uncwil.edu/stuaff/career/Majors - browse careers

www.bls.gov/oco - occupational outlook - which careers are "hot"!

www.quintcareers.com/teen_articles.html - information about careers, job and college searching, summer internships etc.

www.acinet.org/acinet/default.asp - wages and employment trends, occupations, labor market conditions by state, etc.

www.aib.org - America's Job Bank

www.virtualjobshadow.com - create a free account then meet actual people "virtually" who work in careers

www.myroad.com - college and career planning

www.princetonreview.com/cte/articles/plan/majorsExcerpt.asp - majors and careers

Specific Career Fields

www.gettech.org - Technology, Science, Engineering Careers

www.artschools.com - Art

Military Careers

www.todaysmilitary.com - Military (general)

www.army.mil - Army

www.navy.mil - Navy

www.uscg.mil - Coast Guard

www.usmc.mil - Marines

www.af.mil - AirForce

Early Planning

www.collegeplanning.net/net - planning for, applying for and paying for college

www.offtocollege.com - all inclusive college planning guide

www.getreadyforcollege.org - Preparing for, searching for and paying for college

www.students.gov - student gateway to the US Government's resources

www.allaboutcollege.com - lots of categorized information

www.mapping-your-future.org - great planning website middle school and beyond

www.acenet.edu/AM/Template.cfm?Section=CIP1 - College is Possible (CIP) American Council on Education

www.educationplanner.com - career development and college planning

www.pueblo.gsa.gov - Government document distribution - booklets on early planning

www.mapping-your-future.org/features/careership - mapping your career (for Middle School students)

www.surfnetkids.com/career.htm - fun and useful site for kids

familyeducation.com - family information including college planning and preparation

www.ed.gov/pubs/Prepare - Preparing Your Child For College

www.metlife.com/Applications/Corporate/WPS/CDA/PageGenerator/0_4132,P1324,00.html - Met Life page on preparing your child

www.kids.gov - career information for elementary and middle school students

www.ed.gov/thinkcollege - college planning for middle school students

www.collegeplan.org - college planning site

www.aolatschool.com - education planning for all grades

www.mheso.state.mn.us - planning early - state of Minnesota resource

www.collegebound.net - information about colleges and "the scoop" from students

Health and Balance Throughout School

www.kidshealth.org/kid/stay_healthy - Health advice for kids on a variety of topics

www.pmuso.com/en/prc/index.asp?source=home_fca2 - Parent Resource Center for preventing your child from smoking

www.med.umich.edu/1libr/aha/aha_stressmg_crs.htm - Stress Management

www.kidshealth.org/parent/emotions/feelings/stress.html - Childhood Stress

www.med.umich.edu/depression/caph.htm - Depression in adolescents

www.bam.gov - Body and Mind - tips for kids

www.about-face.org - self esteem for girls

www.theantidrug.com - Parents, the anti drug

www.smith.edu/ourhealthourfutures - Health oriented website for girls

www.bullying.org - website dedicated to bullying - what to do about it

www.empowered.org - works with youth to end the culture of violence

www.goaskalice.columbia.edu - Helpful Q & A health-oriented site

www.girlpower.gov - site for girls age 9-13

www.caringonline.com - Caring Online

www.factsontap.org - Facts about alcohol

Eating Disorders

edreferral.com - Help with Eating Disorders - National Eating Disorders Association
www.overcomingovereating.com - Overeating information
www.edap.org - National Eating Disorders Association
www.something-fishy.org - Eating Disorder information
www.iaedp.com - The International Association of Eating Disorders Professionals
www.anred.com - Anorexia Nervosa and Related Eating Disorders, Inc
www.eatingdisorderinfo.org - The Alliance for Eating Disorders Awareness
www.nedic.ca - The National Eating Disorders Information Center of Canada

For Middle School Students

Kids to College

From Aspiration to Action

www.bls.gov/k12/html/edu_over.htm - What might you like to do as a career?
www.girlpower.gov - For early teen girls
www.kids.gov - Information for kids from the Federal Citizen Information Center
www.mapping-your-future.org/features/careership - Mapping your career (for Middle School students)
www.jumpstart.org/realitycheck - Financial literacy for kids
www.ed.gov/pubs/CollegeMeNow - Publication for Middle School students

Volunteer and Community Service Opportunities

www.specialolympics.org - Special Olympics
www.pointsoflight.org - Points of Light volunteer organization
www.amigoslink.org - Amigos de las Americas
www.volunteers.com - Youth volunteer programs
www.cityyear.org/about - national service organization for youth
www.americorps.org - AmeriCorps national and community service and funding for education
www.usafreedomcorps.gov - USA Freedom Corps
www.unitedplanet.org/quest.html - community service in various countries
www.coralcay.org - coral reef conservation
www.idealists.org - non profit careers and volunteer opportunities
www.volunteermatch.org - find volunteer opportunities that interest you
www.cares.org/national - find volunteer opportunities that interest you
www.servenet.org - service and volunteer network
www.networkforgood.org - volunteer events and virtual opportunities
www.backdoorjobs.com - volunteer or get a summer job
www.thesca.org - Student Conservation Association
www.unv.org - United Nations Volunteers
www.yfu.org - Youth For Understanding

Summers - Teen International Service, Leadership and/or Adventure Trips

www.rusticpath.com - Rustic Pathways Programs for Teens
www.globalroutes.org - Global Routes Programs for Teens
www.actionquest.com - Action Quest
www.williwawadventures.com - Williwaw teen adventure trips
www.outwardboundwilderness.org - Outdoors wilderness
www.OdysseyExpeditions.org - Odyssey Expeditions
www.gobroadreach.com - Broadreach Adventures
www.lead-america.org - Student leadership programs
www.asaprograms.com - Academic Study Associates - US and international experiences, college prep
www.InternationalCulturalAdventures.com (ICA) - Education and community service in Asia and South America
www.internationaldoorways.com - International summer camps for teens
www.brightonedge.org/abouthome.html - Summer college prep and study abroad experiences
www.usexperiment.org - The Experiment in International Living
www.summeradvantage.com - AIFS Summer Programs
www.seamester.com - Sea-Mester: Expeditions in the Lesser Antilles
www.IIEPassport.org - Search engine for high school and college students - international opportunities
planetedu.com - Volunteer overseas, internships, summer opportunities etc.
www.vfp.org - Volunteers for peace, international work camps
studyabroad.com - Search by numerous categories
www.unv.org - United Nations Volunteers
www.statravel.com - Discount student travel and travel assistance
www.istc.org - International Student Travel Confederation
youthinternational.org - Youth International (mostly for ages 18-25)
[Putney Student Travel](http://Putney_Student_Travel.com) - month long trips to El Salvador, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Senegal and more.
[Where There be Dragons LLC](http://Where_There_be_Dragons_LLC.com) - student trips to Peru, Vietnam, Bolivia, Central America etc. for community service and adventure
www.powerofhope.org - arts-centered intergenerational and multicultural learning programs
www.worldlearning.org - World Learning

Other Summer Opportunities

www.nyu.edu/summer - NYU's "Take the Summer On" program
www.petersons.com/summerop - Peterson's summer opportunities
www.mysummercamps.com - directory of camps
www.jkcp.com - Julian Krinsky Summer Camps
www.teenink.com/Summer - Teen Ink Summer Programs for High School Students
www.asaprograms.com/home - work on essay, mock interviews and other preparation; other language/cultural experiences.
www.educationunlimited.com - Education Unlimited - Academic Summer Camps and Programs
www.academicyear.org/hf_host.asp - Host a student from another country
www.aupairinamerica.com - Host an Au Pair care giver
www.giftedstudy.com - Summer programs for gifted students grade 4-11
[Musiker Discovery Programs](http://www.Musiker_Discovery_Programs.com) - summer courses relating to various careers, sports, college prep etc.
[Summer Opportunities by Location](http://www.Summer_Opportunities_by_Location.com)
[Summer Opportunities by Grade Level](http://www.Summer_Opportunities_by_Grade_Level.com)

[Summer Opportunities by Area of Interest](#)

www.acacamps.org - American Camp Association - find camps
www.qln.com/supercamp.aspx - another camp program, national and international
www.joltcamps.com - summer camp jobs (counselors and more)
www.explo.org - Youth Exploration summer programs
www.summerfun.com - summer camp resource
comet.westcoastpttc.org For high school juniors who intend to pursue their educations and careers in energy related technologies.
www.backdoorjobs.com - explore jobs and careers short term
[Free camp search service](#) A free service to help match your child with the right environment for fun and personal development.
[Guide to academic and adventure camps for kids and teens](#) - An extensive guide to US and international summer programs.
www.legion.org - search on Boys State for government related opportunities for boys
www.legion-aux.org - under "Programs" look for Girls State for government related opportunities for girls

[Specialized Summer Programs \(some free\)](#)

Claremont McKenna College "Step up to Leadership" - nomination by high school principal - free - www.mckenna.edu
Clark University - Summer Science Program - free - www.clarku.edu
Congressional Page Program - paying job delivering messages to members of Congress - contact your representative in Congress
Governor's School - some states offer this - contact your high school counselor or state department of education
MIT and CIT - Research Science Institute - www.cee.org/rsi
FACES - Freeman Asian Cultural Experiences at Sewanee - free - www.sewanee.edu
Telluride Association Summer Programs - humanities and social sciences - by nomination - www.tellurideassociation.org
Wabash College - Learn About Business program - www.wabash.edu/olab
Boston University - Institute for Television, Film and Radio Production - www.bu.edu/com/itrp
Concordia Language Villages - summer language instruction - <http://clvweb.cord.edu/prweb>
Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill - Girls Leadership Workshop - www.ervk.org
Landmark Volunteers - community service in the US - www.volunteers.com
MIT - Women's Technology Program - wtp.mit.edu
tbp.mit.edu/highschool - highschool programs for engineering and science (directory)
US Military Academies - programs that give students a chance to experience military life - contact the various military academies
NYU - Tisch Summer Program - arts programs in Greenwich Village, NY - www.nyu.edu
Notre Dame - summer Introduction to Engineering - www.nd.edu

[For Minorities](#)

Carleton College - Liberal Arts Summer Experience - www.carleton.edu/admissions/CLAE
MIT - Minority Introduction to Engineering, Entrepreneurship, and Science - www.mit.edu
Carnegie Mellon University - Summer Programs for Diversity - www.cmu.edu/enrollment/summerprogramsfordiversity
Quest Scholars Program - small, competitive program for low income, at risk students - questscholars.stanford.edu

[Gap Year / Internships](#)

www.dynamy.org - resident internship programs for ages 17-22
www.gapyear.com - planning worldwide travel for students
www.gap-year.com - planning worldwide travel for students
www.gapyearireland.com - spend a gap year in Ireland
www.frontier.ac.uk - conservation and exploration in Fiji, Madagascar, Cambodia etc.- based in London
www.globalcrossroad.com - volunteering and interning abroad
www.leapnow.org - group study, travel, internships
www.cityyear.org - a year of service in a city of choice
www.collegegapyear.com - all about gap years and gap year search directory
www.gapguru.com - gap year in India
www.sea.edu - Ocean education, sea oriented travel on board a boat
www.findagap.com - gap year directory
www.gapyearjobs.co.uk - gap year jobs directory
www.americorps.org - community service
www.thesca.org - Student Conservation Association
www.worldlearning.org - World Learning
www.wherereyouheaded.com - researching and planning for a gap year

[Reading Lists for Students](#)

www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/booklistsawards/outstandingbooks/introduction.htm - Youth Adult Library Services
als.lib.wi.us/Collegebound.html - College bound reading list
www.roberttaylor.com/clientuploads/documents/references/College_Bound_List.pdf (.pdf file to download - 2 pages)
www.educationplanner.com/education_planner/preparing_article.asp?sponsor=2859&articleName=College_Bound_Reading_List

[Search for Colleges by State](#)

www.xap.com - search by state and other resources
nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cool - links and searches to colleges and universities
www.universities.com/On-Campus/Schools.html
www.scholarstuff.com - search site
www.collegeview.com - search by state, major and other criteria
www.bestschoolsusa.com/listbystate.html - listings by state
en.wikipedia.org/wiki/State_university - Wikipedia directory
www.wiredscholar.com - SallieMay site for searching and financial aid

[Search for Colleges](#)

www.princetonreview.com - college searches
www.collegetoolkit.com - good search tool for colleges and scholarships
www.ucan-network.org - University and College Accountability Network
nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator - National Center for College Statistics - Information Source
www.uscollegesearch.org - search for colleges
www.mycollegeoptions.com - search college and match characteristics
www.google.com/intl/en/options/universities.html - google's college search
www.collegeparents.org/cpa/undergrad-college-search.html
www.mit.edu:8001/people/cdemello/univ-full.html
www.mycollegeguide.org - college search, answers to FAQs, college chatter etc.
www.collegeconfidential.com - college search, admission info, discussion forums etc.
www.theu.com - The U - a new site where kids share their college clips and opinions

www.usnews.com - college rankings (see links to left of main page)
www.collegiateguide.com - searches and other college information
www.collegesofdistinction.com - colleges of distinction (focus on less known colleges)
www.ctcl.com - colleges that change lives (40 colleges between size 300-3000 students featuring liberal arts)
www.nacacnet.org/MemberPortal/ForStudents/OnlineResources/coll_univ_lists.htm - NACAC college lists
dir.yahoo.com/Education/Higher_Education - links to colleges
nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cool - links and searches to colleges and universities
www.theadmissionsoffice.com - college selection resource
adventuresineducation.org - college search and preparation
careersandcolleges.com - search for colleges, get admission advice
www.allaboutcollege.com - hear what students say, directories etc.
highschoolhub.org/hub/guidance.cfm - High School Hub
www.educationplanner.com/education_planner/default.asp?sponsor=2859 - looking for schools
www.utexas.edu/world/univ/state - links to colleges
www.usnews.com - rates colleges and grad programs in specific fields
www.weapply.com - college search and information
www.collegenet.com - list of colleges that meet certain criteria
www.mapping-your-future.org - what to do and when to prepare for college
www.nacac.com/p&s.html - general college selection help for students
www.collegeselection.com - help with college selection
www.sayplanning.com/offtocollege - planning for college
www.collegedegree.com - college search including distance learning opportunities
www.petersons.com - college search
www.collegeboard.com - college search
www.princetonreview.com - college search
www.collegeview.com - college search, selection, aid
www.collegeexpress.com - college search and tips
www.qocollege.com - find your college, tips etc.
www.supercollege.com - various college search and other resources
www.kaplan.com/precoll - tips, planning, budgeting, test practice
www.cgf.org - 7800 some college and graduate school catalogs
www.bestschoolsusa.com - college search, aid, admissions, etc.
www.californiacolleges.edu - California colleges
www.collegeprowler.com/about_the_guides.asp - guides to 200 colleges
www.collegeviewbooks.com - Request information and viewbooks
www.californiacolleges.edu - college search and information
www.xap.com - college search and application assistance
www.a2zcolleges.com - alphabetical listing of schools by category
www.collegesource.org - single resource for thousands of college catalogs online and downloadable (free trial but paid subscription)
www.collegelink.com - searches and other information
www.clas.ufl.edu/au - links to American universities
www.collegiate.net/infoa.html
www.iustcolleges.com - a college web portal with various resources
www.princetonreview.com/college/research/conscience - colleges rated high on social awareness and civic contribution
cnsearch.collegenet.com/cgi-bin/CN - search colleges using different keywords
www.collegeparents.org/cpa/nursing-ug-search.html - search for nursing programs
www.collegeanswer.com - student resources for college search and planning

Two Year College Resources

www.collegeboard.com/communitycollege - College Board's resource on Community Colleges
www.utexas.edu/world/comcol/alpha - US Community Colleges
www.communitycollegereview.com - Community Colleges
www.mcli.dist.maricopa.edu/cc - Community College Web
www.league.org - League for Innovation in the Community College
cset.sp.utoledo.edu/twoyrcol.html - Directory of Community Colleges
www.aacc.nche.edu - American Association of Community Colleges
www.assist.org - an online student-transfer information system that shows how course credits earned at one public California college or university can be applied when transferred to another

Virtual Tours and Fairs

www.ecampustours.com - virtual campus tours
www.campusstours.com
www.campusview.com - collection of on line viewbooks
www.collegeselection.com/question.htm - 56 questions to ask on visits
www.collegiatechoice.com - non promotional videos of colleges
www.nacacnet.org/MemberPortal/Events/CollegeFairs - NACAC list of College Fairs

Major City Visits

[Philadelphia Area Colleges](#)
[Boston Area Colleges](#)
[Pittsburgh Area Colleges](#)

What are my Chances at This School?

(note: use these as a guide only - no one can truly predict your chances for acceptance)
www.thickenvelope.com
www.go4college.com
www.collegedata.com/cs/promo/promo_calcodds_tmpl.ihtml
www.princetonreview.com/college/research/articles/find/MatchReachSafety.asp
www.collegedata.com/cs/promo/admissions_tracker_promo.ihtml - Who Got In?

Testing Calendars

The Current SAT Calendar www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/calenfees.html
The Future SAT Calendar www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/calenfees/calenfees2.html
The Current ACT Calendar www.actstudent.org/regist/currentdates.html
The Future ACT Calendar www.actstudent.org/regist/nextdates.html

About the Different Tests

[ACT test](#) - used for college admissions, an alternative to the SAT

[Advanced Placement \(AP\) tests](#) - information about AP testing

www.collegeboard.com/highered/ra/sat/sat_inst.html - Sat Subject Test Requirements at different schools

[College Level Examination Program \(CLEP\)](#) - about the CLEP program

[ISEE – Independent School Entrance Exam](#) - often used for entrance into private high schools

[PLAN test](#) - generally administered fall of Sophomore year

[PSAT – Preliminary SAT](#)

[SAT Reasoning Test](#)

[SAT Subject Tests](#)

[SSAT – Secondary School Admissions Test](#)

Test Prep Resources

www.testprep.com - by Stanford Testing Systems

www.act.org - online registration and prep for ACT

www.Number2.com - free SAT coaching

www.uccp.org (free prep)

www.revolutionprep.com - Revolution Prep

www.princetonreview.com - Princeton Review

www.princetonreview.com/testprep/testprep.asp?TPRPAGE=933 - Princeton Review small group tutoring

www.sparknotes.com/testprep/newsat - Sparknotes SAT Prep

www.powerprep.com - online prep for SAT and ACT

www.kaplan.com - Kaplan

www.ivywest.com - Ivy West

www.educate.com/sylvan_prep

www.tamingthesat.org

www.EurekaReview.com - Eureka One on One Review, LLC (serves parts of California only)

www.sparknotes.com/testprep/books/sat

www.collegeboard.com (this is also where you register)

www.testprepreview.com - free practice tests

www.vocabulary.com - fun ways to improve your vocabulary

www.ucanprep.com - test prep

www.ets.org - Sample questions

www.fairtest.org - Fair Test site – information on testing

www.4tests.com - free tests

www.vocabulary.com - vocabulary help for all ages

www.freevocabulary.com - 5000 vocabulary words that may be on SAT

Help With Resumes, Essays and Applications

www.commonapp.org - The Common Application (used by some 290+ schools)

www.collegeapps.com - General admissions assistance (some fee based)

www.myfootpath.com - good Q & A and lots of information

www.princetonreview.com/apply/acememb.asp?type=7 - apply online at Princeton Review

college-admission-essay.com - Helo with Essays

www.princetonreview.com/college/apply/articles/process/essayjump.asp - essay help

www.justcolleges.com/college/coll_essaytips.htm - essay tips

www.essayedge.com - essay editing, advice (fee based)

www.world_std.com/~edit - essay editing, advice (fee based)

www.essaywizard.net - essay assistance (fee based)

www.accepted.com - essay assistance (fee based)

www.virginia.edu/undergradadmission/counselornewsletter/spring2004/essay.html - What makes a good essay

[What Admissions Officers Are Looking For in Applicants](#)- top eight criteria on the minds of college admission officers

[Early Decision pros & cons](#) - What you should know about the Early Decision process, and whether or not it is right for you

[Admissions Tricks](#) - A list of admissions tricks-of-the-trade to help students get accepted at the college of his/her choice.

[Four Easy Steps to Application Sanity](#) - Tips to help your child get organized and keep track of important dates and tasks

www.damngood.com - help with your resume

www.collegenet.com - apply on line to selected colleges and save time

www.admissionsboards.com - a discussion board for admission related topics

Saving for College

www.401kid.com - ways to save for your child's college education

www.scholarshare.com - 529 Plans for College savings

www.ed.gov/pubs/collegecosts - how families in different income groups pay for college (on-line handbook)

www.savingforcollege.com - Tips on savings options

www.independhttp://www.savingforcollege.com/dent529plan.org - college sponsored 529 plan (prepaid tuition)

www.collegesavings.org - college savings network

www.franklintempleton.com/retail/jsp_cm/corp/articles/prog_serv/education/fb_child_savecollege.jsp - getting kids to save

www.learningquestssavings.com/learningquest/index.jsp?source=redirect/googleadw/saving_for_college - 529 plans

www.tiaa-cref.org/college - saving for college, calculator, comparison of plans etc.

www.sayplanning.com/mynetinvest/college - planning for college expenses

[529 Plans Overview](#) Contributions in most 529 plans grow entirely tax-free. Read about other benefits here.

[State-by-state 529 plans](#) - A comprehensive analysis chart to help you compare 529 plans.

[Coverdell ESA](#) - Information about Coverdell ESA (formerly called Education IRA) plans -- the most attractive way to save for K-12 expenses, including UGMA/UTMAs and mutual funds.

[Education Savings Plans – Comparison Chart](#) - A point-by-point comparison of 529 savings plans, Coverdell ESA, UGMA, UTMA and Series I bonds.

[Roth IRA, Traditional IRA, 401K, Mutual Funds](#) - A list of some other non-traditional methods to save for college.

[UGMA/UTMA](#) - Find out how children who are not of 'Age of Majority' can own securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds, etc.) as a means of saving for college, etc.

www.collegeanswer.com - a SallieMae resource

www.csnamerica.com - financial planning products (some for fee)

www.collegepayway.com - tools for planning to pay for college
www.allaboutcollege.com/netguide/financial-aid.htm - financial aid resources

Scholarship Search

www.studentscholarshipsearch.com - a free search with over \$3 billion in scholarships
www.scholarship.com - finding scholarships
www.fastweb.com - Financial Aid and Scholarship Search
www.collegeboard.com - College, Career, Scholarship Search
www.tuitions.com - scholarship search

Financial Aid Calculators

[Financial Aid \(Estimated Family Contribution\)](#) - estimate your Expected Family Contribution for college tuition and expenses
[How much you should be saving monthly now](#) - estimate monthly savings needed to meet the cost of college
apps.collegeboard.com/fincaid/ep/step1-1.jsp - College Board's Easy Aid Planner
[Savings on Estate Taxes after 529 Plan Contributions](#) - project savings on estate taxes by making contributions to 529 plans.
www.finaid.org/calculators - financial aid calculator
www.collegeboard.com/article/0,3341,6-29-0-401,00.html - calculators from the College Board
www.act.org/fane - calculator on the ACT website

Federal Income Tax Credits

www.irs.gov/publications/p970 - IRS - Tax benefits for Higher Education (see Hope Credit, Lifetime Learning Credit etc)

Federal Student Aid (need-based, requires FAFSA form)

www.studentaid.ed.gov - Federal Student Aid Site or call 1-800-433-3243 (TTY 800-730-8913 for hearing impaired)
www.sss.gov - Selective Service Registration (may be required for males in order to obtain federal aid)
www.fafsa.ed.gov - fill out FAFSA form on line to obtain your Student Aid Report (SAR) and EFC (expected family contribution)
www.studentaid.ed.gov/completefafsa - help completing FAFSA form
www.govbenefits.gov - search for government benefits (search on students, as this site covers all ages)
www.dl.ed.gov - Direct Loan Web Site and service center
www.pin.ed.gov - get an electronic PIN so you can sign your FAFSA electronically - pin will be emailed
www.studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/search/searchresults.jsp - download EFC (expected family contributions) worksheets to see how EFC is determined
www.studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/publications.jsp - student aid downloadable forms

Assistance Through the States or Other Sources

(contact state higher education agency for your state)
www.ed.gov/erod - state agencies that administer the LEAP program and Byrd Honors Program in each state - search by state
www.collegesavings.org - state savings plans
www.studentaid.ed.gov - private grants or scholarships
www.collegeboard.com/pay/loan_center/0,6-33-0-0,00.html - information about loans
www.collegenet.com/mach25 - search database of 600,000 awards
www.nasfaa.org - National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

Special Aid / Scholarship Programs / Veterans / Military

www.jan.wvu.edu/sbses/vocrehab.htm - Vocational rehabilitation programs - or see state government section of your phone book
www.americorps.org - AmeriCorps
www.doleta.gov/usworkforce/statecon.cfm - Workforce Investment Act (WIA)
www.bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa - Health Programs by the US Dept of Health and Human Services (HHS)
www.qibill.va.gov - Veterans Benefits - or call 1-888-442-4551 for pamphlet

Assistance through the Military

www.todaysmilitary.com
www.usma.army.mil - US Military Academy (West Point)
www.nadn.navy.mil - US Naval Academy
www.usafa.af.mil - US Air Force Academy
www.cga.edu - US Coast Guard Academy

Miscellaneous Financial Aid Links

www.studentaid.ed.gov - Federal Student Aid Site or call 1-800-433-3243 (TTY 800-730-8913 for hearing impaired)
www.ed.gov/studentaid - Department of Education aid site
www.finaid.org - Student aid resource site
www.students.gov - student gateway to the US Government
wdcrobcplp01.ed.gov/Programs/EROD - search state aid resources by state
www.fafsa.ed.gov - online FAFSA application
studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/index.jsp
students.gov/STUGOVWebApp
www2.eac-easci.org/welcome.shtml - Financial aid for students
www.pin.ed.gov - get your PIN for electronic signing of the FAFSA form
www.act.org - financial aid estimator
www.finaid.org - Financial Aid Information Page
studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide - download student guide to financial aid
www.freschinfo.com - scholarship search
www.collegegoalsundayusa.org - help with financial aid
www.aessuccess.org - American Education Services - information about aid
www.salliemae.com - Includes CASHE scholarship search and predicts "estimated family contribution"

www.collegeanswer.com - variety of financial planning resources
www.fastweb.com - Financial Aid and Scholarship Search
www.collegeboard.com - College, Career, Scholarship Search
www.tuitions.com - scholarship search
www.college-scholarships.com - scholarships and contact information for them
profileonline.collegeboard.com - the CSS Profile form (used by many, but not all, colleges)
www.petersons.com/resources/finance.html - Petersons Education Center Financing Education
www.ed.gov - Title IV codes needed for aid application
www.csac.ca.gov - California student aid commission
schools.collegeanswer.com/financing/loan/loan_index.jsp - apply on line for loans
www.alternativestudentloan.com - private loan sources
www.ed.gov/updates/97918tax.html - tax breaks for college
www.amsa.com - American Student Assistance
www.kaploan.com - student loan consolidation
www.nelliemae.org - student loan programs
www.simpletuition.com - Simple Tuition - compare student loans / info on financial aid and consolidation
www.key.com/educate - information about aid
www.estudentloan.com - student loans
www.loantolearn.com - student loans
campusdirt.com - financial aid resources
www.heic.org - higher education information center
www.csac.ca.gov - California Student Aid Commission
www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope_studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/FYE
www.csnamerica.com - college financing solutions

Avoid Scholarship Scams / Report Misuse of Funds

www.finaid.org/finaid/scams.html - avoiding financial aid scams
www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams - avoid scholarship scams - don't pay! or call 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357)
www.ed.gov/misused - Report student aid fraud, waste or abuse or call 1-800-MIS-USED (1-800-647-8733) or email ojg.hotline@ed.gov
www.bbb.com - check out companies through the Better Business Bureau
www.fraud.org - general fraud resource

For Athletes

www.ncaa.org - the NCAA
www2.ncaa.org/index_students_parents.php - NCAA info for students and parents
www.ncaaclearinghouse.net - the NCAA Clearinghouse
www.ncaa.org/library/general/cbsa - Guide for the College-Bound Athlete (all years) or call 800-638-3731 for free copy
www.ncaa.org/library/general/cbsa/2005-06/2005-06_cbsa.pdf - 2005-6 Guide for College-Bound Athletes (download)
[Athletes: NCAA Eligibility Information](#)
naia.collegesports.com - NAIA sports information
www.nsr-inc.com - National Scouting Report
nacda.collegesports.com - National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics
www.CampusChamps.org - free information for student athletes
www.ForCollegeAthletes.com - free information for student athletes
www.acsm.org/student/pl/user/userlogon.asp - Directory of Sports Medicine Programs
www.asep.com - American Sport Education
www3.dist214.k12.il.us/guidance/athleteinfo.htm - help for athletes
nacda.fansonly.com - association of athletic directors
www.nationalrecruits.com - national recruiting network
www.varsityedge.com - free information for student athletes (some fee based services as well)
www.universitysports.com - information for student athletes
www.PlayCollegeSports.com - Recruiting help (fee based service)

For Gifted Students

www.cec.sped.org - council for exceptional children
www.giftedstudy.com - SIG - Summer Institute for the Gifted
www.ehhs.cmich.edu/~tvantine/edqt.html - Gifted and Talented Student, Parent and Teacher Resources
www.kidsource.com/kidsource/pages/ed_gifted.html
www.nku.edu/~mathed/gifted.html - resource for students gifted in math

For Minority, Low-Income, First Generation Students

www.pathwaystocollege.org - help for underserved communities
www.EducacionSuperior.org - in Spanish
www.yesican.gov - White House initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans
www.yosipuedo.gov - spanish version of same site as above
www.chciyouth.org - english and spanish information on planning - free publications
www.hispanicfund.org - Hispanic resource for college aid
www.uncf.org - United Negro College Fund
www.finaid.org/otheraid/minority.phtml - minority aid site
www.smart.net/~pope/hbcu/hbculist.htm - historically black colleges
collegefund.org - American Indian fund
www.aimd.org - American Institute for Managing Diversity
www.aihec.org - American Indian Higher Education Consortium
www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oela/index.html?src=mr - Office of English Language Acquisition (OELA)
www.black-collegian.com - the Black Collegian

www.BlackExcel.org - Black Excel: The College Help Network
www.hillel.org - Jewish resource for colleges
www.gmsp.org - Gates Millennium Scholars Fund
www.hsf.net - Hispanic scholarships
www.hacu.net - Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
www.jbhe.com - Journal of Blacks in Higher Education
gemnetwork.gem.org - Quality Education for Minorities
www.nativeculturelinks.com/education.html - Tribal Colleges, Native Studies Programs, and Indian Education

Students With Disabilities

www.act.org/aap/disab - special ACT assessment testing
www.collegeboard.com/ssd/student - SAT services for students with disabilities
www.ahead.org - Association of Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD)
www.add.org - Attention Deficit Disorder Association
www.chadd.org - Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders
www.ldanatl.org - Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA)
www.ldresources.com - Learning Disability Resources
www.ncld.org - National Center for Learning Disabilities
www.npin.org - resources for special situations
www.acb.org - American council of the blind
gri.gallaudet.edu/ccq - college and career programs for deaf students
www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/hq9806.html?exp=0 - Deaf student resources
www.aauap.org - American Association of University Affiliated Programs for Persons with Developmental Disabilities
www.federalresourcecenter.org - Disabilities Studies and Services Center
codi.buffalo.edu - resource for disability information
www.health.gwu.edu - Health resource center for students with disabilities (GW University)
www.washington.edu/doi/Brochures/Academics/24.html - transitioning students with disabilities to college
www.fcsn.org - Federation for Children with Special Needs
www.ExceptionalNurse.com - nursing careers for special needs students
www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada - the Americans with Disabilities Act
www.ldonline.org - Learning Disabilities Online
www.ldworldwide.org - Learning Disabilities Worldwide
www.nifl.gov - National Adult Literacy & Learning Disabilities Center
www.nichcy.org - National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities
www.geocities.com/Athens/4611 - North Rockland Special Education Parent Teacher Association
www.optionsined.com -Options in Education
www.schoolpsychology.net - School Psychology Resources
www.bced.gov.bc.ca/specialed - Special Education: British Columbia Ministry of Education
www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahom1.htm - U.S. Dept. of Justice Americans with Disabilities Act
www.wrightslaw.com - The law and special education rights of students with disabilities
www.ldonline.org/ld_indepth/postsecondary/vogel_tips.html - tips for a successful college transition
www.goaccess.org/dspawork1.htm - Students with Disabilities

Missing and Exploited Children

www.missingkids.com

For Home-Schooled Students

www.homeschoolzone.com/hsz/cohen6.htm
www.hslda.org - Home School Legal Defense Association
www.hslda.org/docs/study/rudner1999/FullText.asp - Achievement and Demographics about Home Schooled Students
www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Parents/homeinst.pdf - home school regulations -Virginia
www.state.tn.us/education/homeschool - home school regulations - Tennessee
homeschooling.gomilpitas.com - resources for home schooling

For Transferring Students

www.FurtherYourEducation.com - for students transferring from a two-year to a four-year program

Study Skills

www.how-to-study.com - tips for studying better and smarter
[Study Hall](#) - tips on how to study, vocabulary etc.
[Writing resource](#) (Purdue)
www.gomath.com - Math Help
[Study Strategies Homepage](#)
[The Study Skills Help Page](#)
[B.J. Pinchbeck's Homework Helper](#) - resources for both teachers and students.
owl.english.purdue.edu/handouts/research/r_mla.html - the MLA Method
school.discovery.com/homeworkhelp/bjpinchbeck - Homework helper
owl.english.purdue.edu - online writing lab
www.columbia.edu/cu/augustine/study - study skills
www.proquestk12.com/curr/homework - resources, homework help

Campus Life - Tips for Students and Parents

www.visabuxx.com - Prepaid debit card for your student
www.youngmoney.com/aboutus - tips for learning about money, budgeting and college spending
www.collegeboard.com/ap/creditpolicy - AP credit policies at some colleges

www.quintcareers.com/first-year_success.html - 25 tips to survive freshman year
[Words to Know \(Courtesy of College Prowler\)](#) - An "A" to "Z" of terms and jargon related to campus life.
[What to take to college](#) - A comprehensive off-to-college checklist of clothing, supplies, equipment, etc. to help your child pack for school.
[Financial literacy for parents and students](#) - understanding money and credit
[Money management for students](#) - Some excellent tips for college students about budgeting
[Fraternity Rush](#) - Useful information on fraternities and particularly, on the complex pledging process.
[Fraternity and sorority "hazing"](#) - Up-to-date information about dangerous initiation rituals and ways in which parents can become involved
[Help Prevent your Child from Becoming a Music Pirate](#) - Information about the risks of illegally downloading music from the Internet.
[Student Health Insurance](#) - evaluating student health insurance plans for your child
[Textbooks for purchase](#) - An excellent source for new and used textbooks, as well as supplies and clothing.
[University and college logo products](#) - college apparel, merchandise, Greek merchandise, campus gear, college gifts
www.securityoncampus.org - security on campus, a non profit site
www.collegenews.com - what's happening on campuses, college newspapers etc.
Current College-Related Issues and Commentaries
[Who are the Millennials?](#) Neil Howe and William Strauss describe the characteristics of the lives of today's high school and college students
[Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act \(FERPA\)](#) - privacy rights of their children while enrolled in federally funded college.
["Understanding the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act"](#) FERPA expert Clifford Ramirez translates the law
[Tuition tax deductibility](#) - An IRS guide to understanding the tax benefits for education
[Colleges Can Save Money by Adopting Better Business Practices](#) - how colleges can help keep parents' costs down
[What is Higher Ed Reauthorization and Why Should You Care?](#) - act that governs almost all aspects of how colleges and universities operate
[Schools Should Prove and Demonstrate Financial Accountability](#) keep the public informed about their expenditures
[Building Bridges Between Schools and College Parents](#)
[Don't be a Thanksgiving Turkey](#) - first visit home by a college freshman.
[The Twelve Days of Christmas, AKA the Winter Break that Never Ends](#) advice for parent-student interaction during the year-end holidays.

Suggested Reading for the CollegeYears

[Don't Tell Me What to Do, Just Send Money: The Essential Parenting Guide to the College Years](#) - by Johnson and Schelhas-Miller
[Letting Go: A Parents' Guide to Understanding the College Years](#) by Karen Levin Coburn & Madge Lawrence Treeger
www.collegeparents.org/cpa/resource-everyone-bookstore.html

For College Students and Beyond

[WetFeet.com](#) - searching for jobs
www.nextsteps.org - steps to career success, career planning, job search etc.
www.careermag.com - career and job search
www.resume-help.org - Resume help
www.monster.com - job search and assistance
www.jobspn.com - Internet Job Search Engine
www.careerbuilder.com - post resumes, search jobs
www.ajb.org - America's Job Bank - find jobs
www.jobspn.com - find jobs, develop your resume
www.nefe.org/hsfpportal - learning about finances
mapping-your-future.org/features/incontrol.htm - balancing your checkbook
www.internshipprograms.com - internships available
www.rsinternships.com - search for internships
www.internweb.com - search for internships
www.monstertrak.monster.com - jobs and internships
www.jobweb.com/Research/jgenlst.htm - jobs and internships
[Americorps jobs, internships & fellowships](#)
[Federal government internship listings](#)
www.dice.com - high tech jobs
[Internjobs.com](#) - Internships
[Internships in Washington, DC: The Washington Center](#)
[True Careers Internships](#)
www.doleta.gov/atels_bat - information about apprenticeships
[Federal rules that apply to working teenagers](#)
[Part-time job listings](#) - job listings by zip code "SnagaJob"
[Prepare Your Child for a Job](#) - College Parents of America
[Summer jobsListing](#) of seasonal staff positions with camps, resorts, national parks, hotels, environmental organizations and more.
[Summer jobs in adventure and entertainment](#) - Additional listings of summer jobs in national parks, ranches, theme parks, tour companies and more.
[Summer jobs to explore future careers interests](#) - Self-Assessment Quiz and job listing to match your child with an appropriate position.
[Sample internship resumes](#) - Resume tips to help your child win an internship position.