Junior Find the Fit

February Eagle Day



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Reminders

Coolidge Scholarship Deadline is February 24th

Final Personal Statements (from everyone) are due to your Ed.

Specialist by March 15th

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Graduation Rates





Many important things should be considered when applying to colleges and universities, and graduation rates is among the key indicators of a school's overall quality and success. Looking at the percentage of students who receive a diploma after four to six years at a given school can paint quite the picture of its quality.

Graduation Rates

If the graduation rate number is low this indicates that many students either transferred to other schools or simply dropped out without finishing their degree at all.

Both of these are a cause for concern.

Students normally transfer or leave schools if they are significantly dissatisfied with its academic programs, social life, or administrative quality. These three factors are the ones students must primarily concern themselves with when looking at any college or university.

Let's Take a Look at Some Local Graduation Rates

Carson Newman Univ

4 years- 48%

6 years- 56%

East TN State University

4 years- 29%

6 years- 49%

Lincoln Memorial Univ

4 years- 36%

6 years- 44%

TN State University

4 years- 12%

6 years- 31%

TN Tech University

4 years- 31%

6 years- 54%

Univ of TN - Knox

4 years- 52%

6 years- 72%

Why do you think University of Tennessee has a higher rate than the others?







What does a low graduation

rate mean for you?

This just means that you may want to check and make sure that the school has certain resources such as tutoring centers, student support centers, etc. When the numbers are super super low this can mean that the college doesn't provide any extra support for students.

Retention Rates

Retention rate is also important to look at. This rate differs slightly from graduation rate. Retention focuses on the number of first-year students who returned to school on at least a part-time basis for a second year.

If this number is high, it indicates that freshmen students were pleased with their first year's experiences and they likely wish to finish their degree at that school.

A low retention rate indicates the opposite. As a result, many transferred to other institutions where they felt they would be happier or receive a better value for the price of tuition.

Community Colleges



Roane State

Grad Rate- 33%

Transfer Rate- 7.5%

Walters State

Grad Rate-30%

Transfer Rate- 12%

Just be aware of these numbers. In the past we have found that some students really struggle while at a community college. There are tutoring & support centers available but it is up to you to seek out the help that you need.



WHY

Is this important for Find the Fit?

Retention & Graduation Rates are important to acknowledge when picking your colleges. If you need to be in a school that offers tutoring, extra support, and campus involvement this is a factor that you need to consider.





My College Search Sheets

Breakdown of College Search Sheet



My College Search Sheet

The My College Search Sheet allows you to look at various colleges side by side as well as look at some of the factors personal to you.

You pick four schools that you are interested in and use this sheet to compare them.

Normally we would fill out the top part of this form and fill in the schools during this class. Due to us being virtual, your Ed. Specialist will be calling you in to fill this out with you. Once the top part is filled out your Ed. Specialist will fill out the rest of the form and then give you a copy of the results. Hang on to these because we will be looking at them next month.



Let's look at a breakdown.

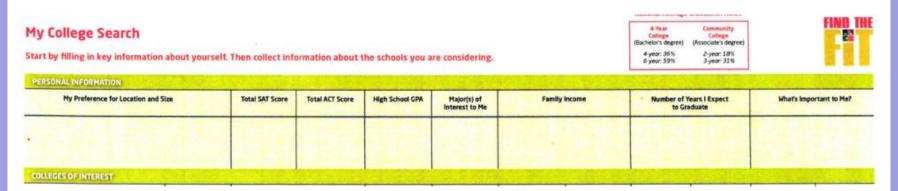
College Search Sheet

My College Search

Start by filling in key information about yourself. Then collect information about the schools you are considering.



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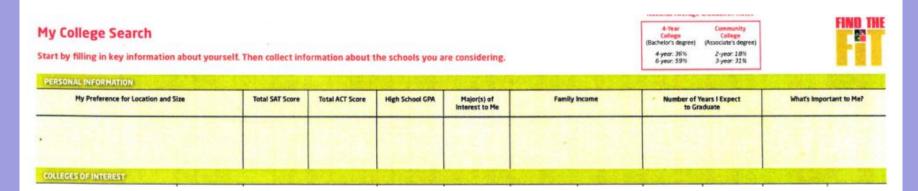


At the top of the College Search Sheet we have your preferences. Remember we talked about this a few months ago. This is your preference in school size and location. Off to the far right you will also put what is important to you (student organizations, student support services, etc.)

This is the place where your ACT score and GPA will also go.

Your specific major(s) that you are interested in will go in the next spot.

Your Ed. Specialist will help you fill in your family income based on your UB application.



You will need to put how many years you expect to be in school.

Remember:

Associates= 2 years
Bachelors = 4 years
Masters= 6 years
Doctorate/PhD= 8 + years

College Column

This is where we will list your safety, stretch and match schools. You can add more if you wish but remember we must have at least 4 colleges listed.

College City State Mahelin	Undergraduate Enrollment	Middle 50% o	f Test Scores	Average GPA of Admitted	Has My Major? (Yes or No)
City, State, Website Campus Support Contact	(# of students) (% of minority students)	SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students	
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Undergraduate Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

This will be the number of students that attend your choice school.

Why is this important?

Remember your preferences? Knowing how many students attend the school will help you determine if it is a small, medium, or large school.

College City, State, Website Campus Support Contact	Undergraduate Enrollment	Middle 50% o	f Test Scores	Average GPA of Admitted	Has My Major? (Yes or No)
	(# of students) (% of minority students)	SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students	
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SAT Total Column

This column will be left blank or have N/A as we do not take the SAT's.

College	Undergraduate Enrollment	Middle 50% o	f Test Scores	Average GPA of Admitted	Has My Major?
City, State, Website Campus Support Contact	(# of students) (% of minority students)	SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students	(Yes or No)

ACT Composite Range Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

This will be the ACT score that most students who are accepted into this school has.

Why is this important?

This helps you determine if a school is your safety, stretch or match school. How we determine this is based off of your GPA and ACT scores. If your score matches with the score listed in this column, we can list it as a match. If your score is below the range, it will be considered a stretch school. If your score is higher than the range, it will be your

College City, State, Website Campus Support Contact	Undergraduate Enrollment	Middle 50% o	f Test Scores	Average GPA of Admitted	Has My Major? (Yes or No)
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Average GPA Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

This will be the average GPA that most students who are accepted into this school has.

Why is this important?

This helps you determine if a school is your safety, stretch or match school. How we determine this is based off of your GPA and ACT scores. If your GPA matches with the one listed in this column, we can list it as a match. If your GPA is below the range, it will be considered a stretch school. If your GPA is

higher than the range, it will be your safety school.

College City, State, Website	Undergraduate Enrollment	Middle 50% o	f Test Scores	Average GPA of Admitted	Has My Major? (Yes or No)
Campus Support Contact	(# of students) (% of minority students)	SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students	(163 61 160)
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Has My Major Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

This will require going on to the school's website to check out their courses offered.

Why is this important?

You obviously don't want to go to a college that doesn't offer your major. That would be pointless.

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Sticker Price Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

Remember us talking about the difference between sticker price and net price?

Sticker price is that huge cost of attendance price that will include *everything*. Average net cost will be the estimated average cost for a family with your income.

Sticker Price (Tuition, Housing, Food, Fees, Books)	Estimated Average Cost (Net Price)	646
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Graduation Rates Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

We went over the importance of this today.

4-Year College Graduation Rate 4-year: 6-year:	Community College Graduation Rate 2-year: 3-year:
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Fit Assessment Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

The answer to this will be based off of the information at the top of that page that tells us your preferences, GPA, ACT scores, and income.

Is this particular school a great fit, an okay fit, or not a good fit for you?

Fit Assessment	Type of School for Me
□ Not a Good Fit □ An OK Fit □ A Great Fit	☐ Safety ☐ Match ☐ Stretch ☐ Don't Know
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Type of School Column

Your Ed. Specialist will fill this column out.

The answer to this will be based off of the information at the top of that page that tells us your preferences, GPA, ACT scores, and income.

Fit Assessment	Type of School for Me
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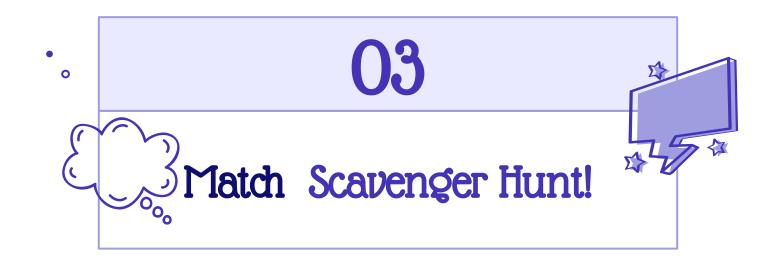


The College Search Sheet

You've picked a safety school

You've picked a stretch school

Now you need to pick out 2 match schools!



Match Schools

These schools have a fairly reasonable price, have acceptance standards that are similar to what your own GPA and ACT score is.

This school also needs to suit you personally, which means that they have a lot of your institutional and personal preferences.

- Academic Match- the most important thing is whether the school offers what you intend to study. Also look at
 those graduation and retention rates. Graduation rates lets you know what percentage of students graduate
 on time (important because not graduating on time means more money spent). Retention rates let you know
 what percentage of students return after their freshman year. The higher retention rate the better the school
 does at meeting the needs of freshmen.
- Institutional Offerings- Does the school have academic resources such as tutoring, libraries, up-to-date science labs, computer labs, etc.? Does it have a low student-to-teacher ratio? Does it have student support centers?
- Personal Preferences- These are unique to the things you are looking for in a college and will be comfortable
 with. This includes campus size, types of recreation on campus and in the surrounding area, distance from
 home, clubs/organizations, athletics, student center, food, etc.
- Affordability- The cost of college is a tricky thing to figure out sometimes as there are direct costs (tution, fees, room/board) and indirect costs (books, transportation, personal expenses). For now, remember that some expensive schools are not as expensive once financial aid, state aid, institution scholarships and outside scholarships are taken into account.

My College Search Start by filling in key information about yourself. Then collect information about the schools you ar My Preference for Location and Size Total SAT Score Total ACT Score High School GPA MATCH- ACT 21 or Below 15-21 Average GPA of Undergraduate Middle 50% of Test Scores Enrollment City, State, Website (# of students) Camous Support Contact SAT Total ACT Composite (% of minority Middle Range Middle Range students) 1. Bethel University Average Score Average GPA Cumberland University Average Score Average GPA 3. Fisk University Average Score Average GPA 4. Lane College Average Score Average GPA 5. Le Moyne-Owen College Average Score Average GPA 6. Tennessee State University Average Score Average GPA 7. Tusculum University 1.735 Average Score Average GPA Finalize Your College List Apply to four or more schools — that includes 1 safety, 2 match, ar

Act Scores 15-21

Bethel University- ACT(18) & GPA (3.0)

Cumberland- ACT (21) & GPA (3.4)

Fisk- ACT (21) & GPA (3.1)

Lane- ACT (15) & GPA (2.5)

Le Moyne-Owen- ACT (16) & GPA (2.5)

Tennessee State - ACT (18) & GPA (2.8)

Tusculum University- ACT (21) & GPA (3.1)

My College Search

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My Preference for Location an	d Size	Total SAT Score	Total ACT Score	High School GPA
ACT 22				
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College City, State, Website	Undergraduate Enrollment	Middle 50%	of Test Scores	Average GPA of
Campus Support Contact	(# of students) (% of minority students)	SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students
Austin Peay State University	10,954	N/A	Average Score 22	Average GPA- 3.2
Johnson University	1,088	N/A	Average Score 22	Average GPA- 3.4
Lincoln Memorial University	4,798	N/A	Average Score	Average GPA-
Tennessee Wesleyan College	1,008	N/A	Average Score	Average GPA-

Act Score 22

Austin Peay - ACT(22) & GPA (3.2)

Johnson- ACT (22) & GPA (3.4)

Lincoln Memorial- ACT (22) & GPA (3.4)

Tennessee Wesleyon- ACT (22) & GPA (3.2)

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PERSONAL INFORMATION				1111
My Preference for Location and Size		Total SAT Score	Total ACT Score	High School GPA
ACT 23 = MATCH; STRETCH		23		
COLLEGES OF INTEREST				
College City. State, Website	Undergraduate Enrollment (# of students) (% of minority students)	Middle 50% of Test Scores		Average GPA of
Campus Support Contact		SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students
Bryan College	1,363	N/A	Average Score 23	Average GPA-
King University	1,948	N/A	Average Score	Average GPA-
Middle Tennessee State University	1,579	N/A	Average Score 23	Average GPA-
Trevecca Nazarene University	3,927	N/A	Average Score	Average GPA-
University of Memphis	21,458	N/A	Average Score	Average GPA-

Act Score 23

Bryan - ACT(23) & GPA (3.5) King- ACT (23) & GPA (3.4) Middle TN State - ACT (23) & GPA (3.4) Trevecca Nazarene- ACT (23) & GPA (3.4) Univ of Memphis - ACT (23) & GPA (3.4)

My College Search

Start by filling in key information about yourself. Then collect information about the schools you ar

PERSONAL INFORMATION				
My Preference for Location and S	Total SAT Score	Total ACT Score	High School GPA	
ACT 24= MATCH; STRETCH II	F ACT BELOW		24-25	
COLLEGES OF INTEREST				
College City, State, Website Campus Support Contact	Undergraduate Enrollment (II of students) (% of minority students)	Middle 50% of Test Scores		Average GPA of Admitted
		SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students
Carson Newman University	2,560	N/A	Average Score 24	Average GPA- 3.4
East Tennessee State University	14,317	N/A	Average Score 24	Average GPA- 3.4
Freed-Hardeman University	2,037	N/A	Average Score 25	Average GPA- 3.6
Lee University	5,386	N/A	Average Score- 25	Average GPA- 3.6
Maryville College	1,146	N/A	Average Score- 24	Average GPA- 3.5
Milligan College	1,225	N/A	Average Score- 25	Average GPA- 3.7
Tennessee Technological University	10,186	N/A	Average Score- 24	Average GPA- 3.6

Act Scores 24-25

Carson Newman - ACT(24) & GPA (3.4)

East TN State University- ACT (24) & GPA (3.4)

Freed-Hardeman - ACT (25) & GPA (3.6)

Lee - ACT (25) & GPA (3.6)

Maryville - ACT (24) & GPA (3.5)

Milligan- ACT (25) & GPA (3.7)

Tennessee Tech Univ-ACT (24) & GPA (3.6)

Univ of TN- Chatt- ACT (24) & GPA (3.5)

Univ of TN- Martin- ACT (24) & GPA (3.4)

My College Search

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College City, State, Website Campus Support Contact	Undergraduate Enrollment (# of students) (% of minority students)	Middle 50% of Test Scores		Average GPA of Admitted
		SAT Total Middle Range	ACT Composite Middle Range	Students
Belmont University	8,260	N/A	Average Score- 27	Average GPA- 3.5
Lipscomb University	4,620	N/A	Average Score- 26	Average GPA- 3.7
Rhodes College	2,036	N/A	Average Score- 30	Average GPA- 3.9
Sewanee- Univ. of the South	1,785	N/A	Average Score- 28	Average GPA- 3.7
Union University	3,247	N/A	Average Score- 26	Average GPA- 3.7
University of Tennessee-Knoxville	28,894	N/A	Average Score- 27	Average GPA- 3.8
Vanderbilt University	12,824	N/A	Average Score- 34	Average GPA- 3.8

Act Scores 26-34

Belmont - ACT(27) & GPA (3.5)

Lipscomb- ACT (26) & GPA (3.7)

Rhodes - ACT (30) & GPA (3.9)

Sewanee- Univ of the South- ACT (28) & GPA (3.7)

Union - ACT (26) & GPA (3.7)

Univ of TN- Knox- ACT (27) & GPA (3.8)

Vanderbilt- ACT (34) & GPA (3.8)

Match Scavenger Hunt

Think about which 2 schools you would like to consider to be your matches. If you are still unsure, revisit the previous few slides to look over the schools that match your ACT/GPA.

Once you have chosen your colleges, we are going to find answers to a couple of important questions.

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