

College Selection Worksheet

The most common mistake that is made by college-bound students is choosing a school that is not a good fit. Less than half of college students graduate from the college where they start. Please use this tool to help you clarify what's important to you. Complete the table on the front of this worksheet and then have your parent/guardian complete the table on the reverse. Compare your choices, noting the differences. Having an open discussion about the differences can substantially reduce stress, tension, and frustration during the search process and may lead to much better results for all.

What's Important to You?

To Be Completed By Student

Place a Check in the Appropriate Column

	Extremely Important	Fairly Important	Not Important
Distance From Home			
Two-Year College			
Four-Year College			
Selectivity/Competitiveness			
Cost			
Campus Life			
Major(s)			
Size			
Athletics			
SAT or ACT scores			
Living Arrangements			
Setting (Urban, etc.)			
Study Abroad			
Co-op Programs			
Activities			
ROTC			
Reputation			
Safety			
Public			
Private/Religious			

What's Important to You?

To Be Completed By Parent/Guardian
Place a Check in the Appropriate Column

	Extremely Important	Fairly Important	Not Important
Distance From Home			
Two-Year College			
Four-Year College			
Selectivity/Competitiveness			
Cost			
Public			
Private/Religious			
Size			
Athletics			
SAT or ACT scores			
Living Arrangements			
Setting (Urban, etc.)			
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