College Planning

Juniors Class of 2025

3 Easy Steps to College Planning

- Step 1: Identify Priorities What is important to you?
- Step 2: Narrow School Choices Narrowing the list of potential colleges.
- Step 3: Visit Schools Campus visits give you a close up look.

Step 1: Identify Priorities

- Curriculum
- Size
- Location/Setting
- Admission Requirements
- Cost

- Facilities
- Athletics
- Campus Life & Security
- Retention and Graduation Rates

Step 2: Narrow School Choices

- Compare likes and dislikes of each school
- Group school choices by chances of admission: <u>CollegeVine</u>
- Organize your choices into 3 groups:
 - Reach Schools:
 - represent an admission challenge either by cost, admission requirements, or both.
 - <u>Target Schools:</u>
 - those which you are likely to get in but are not quite sure.
 - Safety Schools:
 - affordable schools, where you are sure to be admitted.

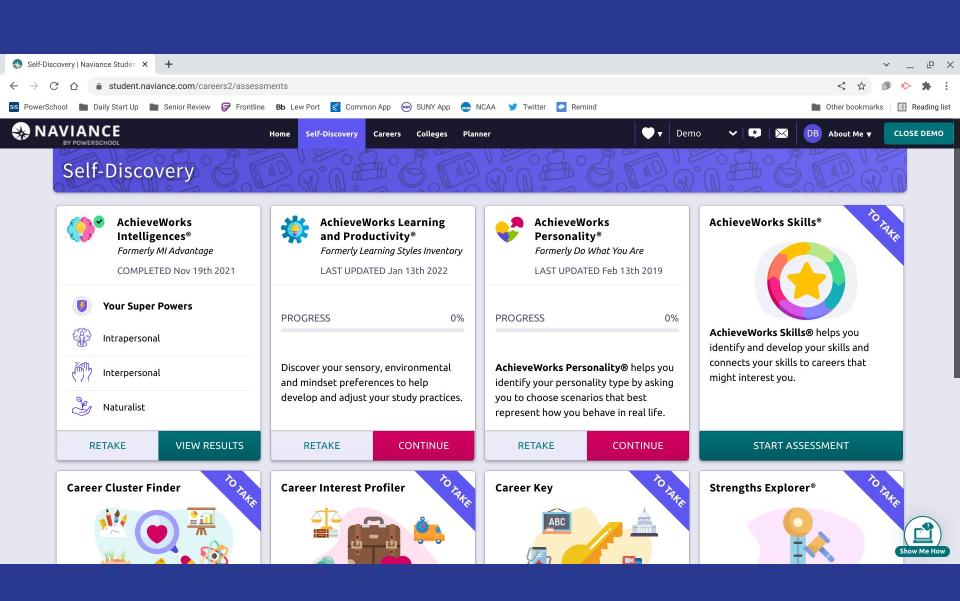
These may be different for different students!

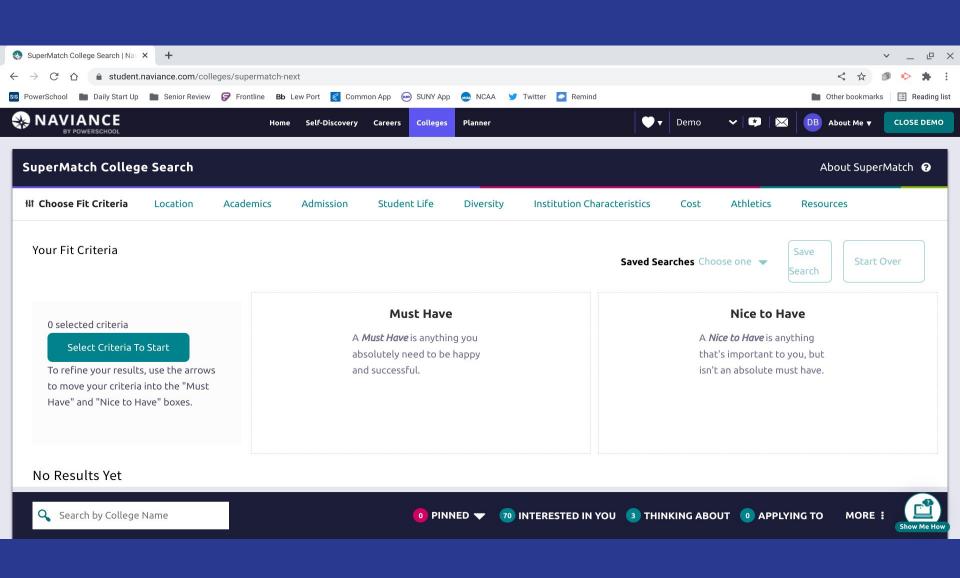
- Make your final list
- Get and stay organized

Streamline Your College Search with Naviance

- <u>Naviance</u> is an online college and career research tool, designed for students, parents, and counselors.
- Naviance can help you research potential colleges and universities as well as career paths.
- Take advantage of the self-discovery assessments which can help match you to careers that fit your personality, learning style, and the way you think.
- Naviance also makes it easy to put together and manage your resume!







Public vs Private Schools

Public Schools

- Supported by the state's taxpayers.
- Students pay 30% or less of actual cost of education and state covers the rest.
- In-state students pay less than out-of-state students.

Private Schools

- Provide their own funding and tend to be more expensive than public schools.
- However, since they are non-tax supported, they tend to be more innovative in developing college financing plans, tuition assistance programs and financial aid award packages.

Step 3: Visiting Schools

- Do some prep work (research school website and social media pages)
- Schedule your visit
- Visit while classes are in session and activities are in full swing
- Set up interviews with faculty and admissions staff ask lots of questions
- Trust your instincts
- Send thank you notes/emails
- If you can't tour the school in person, try virtual tours: <u>Appily</u>

Athletics: NCAA Eligibility

- If you plan to play a Division I or II sport you must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center ASAP.
- You need <u>16 NCAA approved</u> courses to be eligible.
- Register at <u>NCAA Eligibility</u> Center.
- After you register, you need to let your counselor know ASAP so we can upload your transcript.
- For more information, visit the NCAA page on our <u>website</u>.

NCAA Eligibility Center



ICAA Approved Courses



Digital SAT

- The Digital SAT consists of 2 sections:
 - Reading and Writing (64 Minutes→two 32 minute module)
 - Math (70 Minutes→two 35 minute modules)



Khan Academy SAT Prep

- Spring 2024 Dates @ Lew-Port
 - Test Date: March 9 (Registration deadline: Feb. 23)
 - Test Date: May 4 (Registration deadline: April 19)
 - Register at <u>Collegeboard.org</u>
- Spring 2024 Dates @ other test centers
 - Test Date: June 1 (Registration Deadline: May 16th)
 - Register at <u>Collegeboard.org</u>
- Fall 2024 Anticipated dates @ Lew-Port
 - o Test Date: October 5th

<u>Test Optional?</u>

ACT

- Will <u>NOT</u> be offered at Lew-Port this year
- Check <u>ACT.org</u> for other testing centers and dates
- Consists of 4 sections:
 - English
 - Math
 - Reading
 - Science
 - Optional Writing

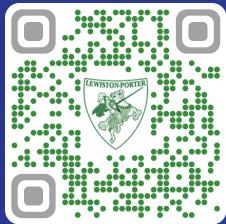


SAT vs ACT: Which test is right for you?

Tips for Scholarships

- . Get involved in your school and community
- . Keep your grades up
- Check the following resources for scholarship opportunities:
 - Digital kiosk located outside of the Counseling Center
 - LPHS Counseling Center website
 - Your LP email
 - Listen to announcements
 - Sign up for HS Guidance Remind
 - Ask your counselor about scholarship opportunities

LP Scholarship Page



Last Minute Reminders!

- College Planning Presentation in the fall
- Senior Reviews with your Counselor in the fall (brag sheet / letters of recommendation)
- College Admission Testing (SAT and ACT also in the fall)
- Get excited!!

Enjoy the rest of junior year!

Questions?







