

#### **Comprehensive Support Packages**

My goal for my work with students and families is to promote clarity, authenticity, confidence, and informed decision-making while helping reduce stress and maintaining focus on the family's priorities and values. Learn **more about me**, **how I can help**, and read **what others have to say about me**. I look forward to learning more about your student's story and helping them tell it.

#### Early High School Coaching

Spur on the journey to college...this package is for 9th and 10th grade students, starting as early as spring of 8th grade. This plan secures an experienced advisor and coach to advise on curricular and activities decisions while also exploring conversations to look ahead to the reflection, self-assessment, and informed research stages that take off in 11th grade. This includes monthly check-ins at a minimum and access to additional meetings along the way as desired.

Contact for pricing based on start date

This is an opportunity to

- Develop a four-year course plan for high school
- Have a guide and coach to help make healthy decisions about extracurricular life
- Explore interests and/ or assess career and major possibilities with tools that connect to your values and sense of purpose
- Plan rewarding summer activities
- Build a relationship, talk about interests in and out of school, and lay a foundation for college research and applications in grades 11 and 12
- Begin to make progress toward understanding the student's eventual college fit and priorities for that decision
- Have a sounding board for questions, ideas, and opportunities that arise
- Retain a calm and informed voice to keep your student and family on track and making student-centered choices
- If appropriate, take SAT/ ACT diagnostic exams and plan test prep

#### **Comprehensive College Search and Application Advising**

Starting any time from the summer before 11th grade through the start of 12th grade (if space is available), this is complete support for the college application process. I'll be your guide through research, reflection, and preparation that transitions into a process of storytelling, execution of tasks, and decision-making. **\*** Contact for current pricing

Here are some of the details and specific supports I offer:

- Meet regularly via Zoom to answer questions and offer advice— appointments can be made via an online scheduling site.
- Help parents minimize stress and prepare for their students' next step while providing structure to keep college talk at home relaxed and healthy.

- Provide timelines and reminders to complete tasks in a timely fashion that minimizes student stress. (My goal, in most cases, is to have all application materials finalized by mid-December in the student's senior year!)
- Provide access to subscription services, including a web-based college research and organizational platform, interest and career inventories, data-driven admission likelihood and strategy reports, personality surveys, and more, as appropriate to our conversations and student needs.
- Assist in selecting high school academic curricular choices and advise on extracurricular activities, including meaningful summer activities.
- Provide questions and conversation to promote student self-reflection: assessment of past experience to project into a thriving future.
- Assess possible college major and career interests.
- Support the athletic recruitment process or fine arts program applications.
- Provide guidance on the best ways to do personally meaningful college research to connect to qualities and environments that will help the student thrive.
- Clarify student's priorities and requirements for his/her college experience, understand the selection criteria of specific colleges or universities, and suggest appropriate schools to generate a list of good match schools to investigate.
- Prepare student to make the most of campus visits.
- Create list of colleges with merit scholarship potential, and/ or favorable needbased financial aid policies.
- Referral to quality providers of test preparation and academic tutoring.
- Develop student skills and confidence through interview prep and practice.
- Assist in thoughtfully narrowing down the long research list to a shorter list of best matches, with varying degrees of admission difficulty ("balance"), to which the student will apply.
- Discuss and evaluate early decision, early action, and other application options.
- Advise on preparation of activity list for applications and/ or résumé.
- Advise on the selection of recommendation letter writers.
- Provide in-depth guidance for essay writing, including topic development and critique, highlighting the student's authentic voice through feedback for revision.
- Advise on the preparation of supplemental essay and other materials.
- Advise on application preparation: organizational assistance, time and stress management, and making suggestions for presenting information.
- Assist with admission follow-up procedures, including deferral and waitlist offers.
- Assist with the final decision concerning which college to attend.
- Help everyone on the student's team keep a sense of humor and find joy in this exciting time of transition.

#### All Inclusive, grade 9/10 through Graduation

A combination of Early High School and Comprehensive College Advising, starting in grade 9 or 10. With this package, you lock in both a current rate and a spot in my limited counseling cohort for grades 11 and 12.

Contact for comprehensive pricing and an additional discount for payment in full at the time of contract.



#### High School Admission, Transfer and Express Packages

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#### Independent Day and Boarding High School Admission

I bring the same mindset and scaffolding to students and families searching for an application-based high school choice for students entering grades 9-12. With two decades of experience and networking as a school administrator and admission reader in both the tight-knit US independent school world and in international schools outside the US, I can help your student (and you, parents!) find the best fits and put their best self forward in the application and interviews.

- **\*** Contact for current pricing
- Discount for bundling comprehensive high school advising and college admission support if desired.

#### **Transfer Admission**

Students may decide to apply to transfer out of the post-secondary institution where they started for many reasons. I have experience helping students with a range of college academic records and many different motivations to change schools find the right fit to finish their degree. I can do the background work to determine admission likelihood and space available at targeted colleges. **\*** Pricing based on scenario and number of applications desired.

#### <u>College List Booster \$1500</u> (Read more)

- A 1-hour introductory meeting and interview, scheduled at your convenience.
- An online survey to identify preferences.
- Delivery of a list of at least 20 recommended colleges to research at varying levels of selectivity, but with a focus on "targets," where admission is possible but not guaranteed.
- Merit scholarship potential
- A guide to researching effectively.
- A data analysis of the probability of the student's draft list that predicts likelihoods based on last year's applications, indicates whether or not to choose Test Optional application, suggests best timelines for applying/ impact of ED and EA options, and estimates financial aid awarding.
- A 1-hour final call to talk through the list and application strategy.

#### Total Essay package \$4,000:

I've helped close to 1,000 students with their essays, and my college admission experience informs my guidance.

Common App primary essay and supplements for up to 8 colleges/ U California PIQs, includes:

- Personal insight survey
- Personal assessments
- Brainstorming
- Writing timeline and organization
- Supplement research guidance
- Drafting and feedback over multiple drafts and edits
- Final review

#### **Express Hourly Packages**

From \$300/ hr based on number of hours for bundles of pre-paid hours.

\$400 for an a la carte hour of advice.

# **Introducing College Kickstart**

### Here's a snapshot of our findings



## College Kickstart is your essential companion for college planning

Designed to augment conversations with your counselor, College Kickstart helps you craft a winning college plan around a list of schools you have in mind and your academic profile.

Drawing on the latest admissions data from over 700 popular U.S. institutions, we'll help you answer three important questions:

- Is my list balanced and set up for success?
- How do I capitalize on early admission?
- How can I minimize wasted effort along the way?

Better yet, College Kickstart makes it easy to track key application requirements, evaluate when to submit test scores and consider affordability as part of your plan.

It's data-driven, personalized, and a useful directional guide as you refine your thinking and converge to a finalized list in the fall.

#### Getting Started

Your counselor will introduce you to College Kickstart when the conversation turns in earnest to list building. Together you'll be able to use it to explore how changes to your college list and academic credentials affect your overall plan.

For more information, please visit www.collegekickstart.com



