

College Search, Post-Secondary Education Exploration

You are about to embark on an important journey to learning about different colleges that meet your interests and about what colleges are looking for in ideal candidates. By understanding the expectations, you will better prepare yourself for planning for college. Use the Google Doc [template for your](#) College Search Assignment. You will submit this to Managebac on the due date.

College Search and Information:

Go to one of the following resources to search for your top THREE educational options:

- 4 Year and 2 Year Colleges
 - <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search> (SEE MAJORS, CAMPUS LIFE, ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS)
 - <https://www.unigo.com/college-match> (SEE STUDENT TOPICS AND STUDENT REVIEWS, ACADEMICS)
 - <https://new.cappex.com/register/matches/preferences/> (ADMISSIONS, ACADEMICS, MAJORS, CAMPUS LIFE)
 - <https://www.niche.com/colleges/search/best-colleges/> SEE RANKINGS, STUDENT DIVERSITY, CAMPUS LIFE.
 - <https://www.thecolleetour.com/tct-class/> CHECK OUT THE COLLEGE TOUR TV SERIES
- Trade Schools & Technical Colleges
 - <https://www.onlytradeschools.com/texas/> (HVAC, Electrician, Plumber, Dental Assistant)
 - Texas State Technical College: <https://www.tstc.edu/> (Health, Aviation, Construction, Manufacturing, Computers)
 - Welding ACC: <https://sites.austincc.edu/welding/>
 - HVAC ACC:
<https://www.austincc.edu/academic-and-career-programs/areas-of-study/design-manufacturing-construction-and-applied-technologies/heating-air-conditioning-and-refrigeration-technology>
 - ACC Continuing Education: <https://continue.austincc.edu/>

College Lists

- International Colleges: <https://www.uwc.org/schools>
- 2020 Top Ivy League Schools Ranked:
<https://www.niche.com/blog/list-of-ivy-league-schools-ranked-and-reviewed/>
- Best Schools in Texas: <https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges/tx>
- Best National Universities: <https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges/rankings/national-universities>
- 20 Best Affordable Colleges in Texas:
<https://affordableschools.net/affordable-bachelors-degree-colleges-texas/>

College Virtual Tours

Virtual Visits:

- <https://www.campusreel.org/>
- <https://www.youvisit.com/collegesearch/> (many schools are linked in Scoir to You Visit: see if it says "Let's Go" on the picture of the school)

Make a list of your top THREE educational options which interest you. Show the list to Mrs. MacFarland. Then begin to research each and complete information for the three you have selected.

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- **Overview:** Why is this college on your list? What intrigues you about this college? What is important to you about this college e.g. geography, majors, etc.?
- **Culture:** How would you describe the culture of the school? What are the demographics? What types of students go to this school and what type of environment do they cultivate on campus?
 - Tell me the details. Where is it? What is city size? How many students go there? Weather, too!
- **Majors**
 - List and explain 3 popular majors that exist at this school.
- **Strengths of the school:** What do you see as the strengths of the school? What are some advantages for going there?
 - Consider what the school is rated highly in.
- **Admission requirements:** What do they require for admission?
- **Your personal reflection** about the school and what you found interesting/helpful: Overall, what did you like or dislike about the school? What information intrigued you, confused you, etc?