

11th Grade Exploration Unit

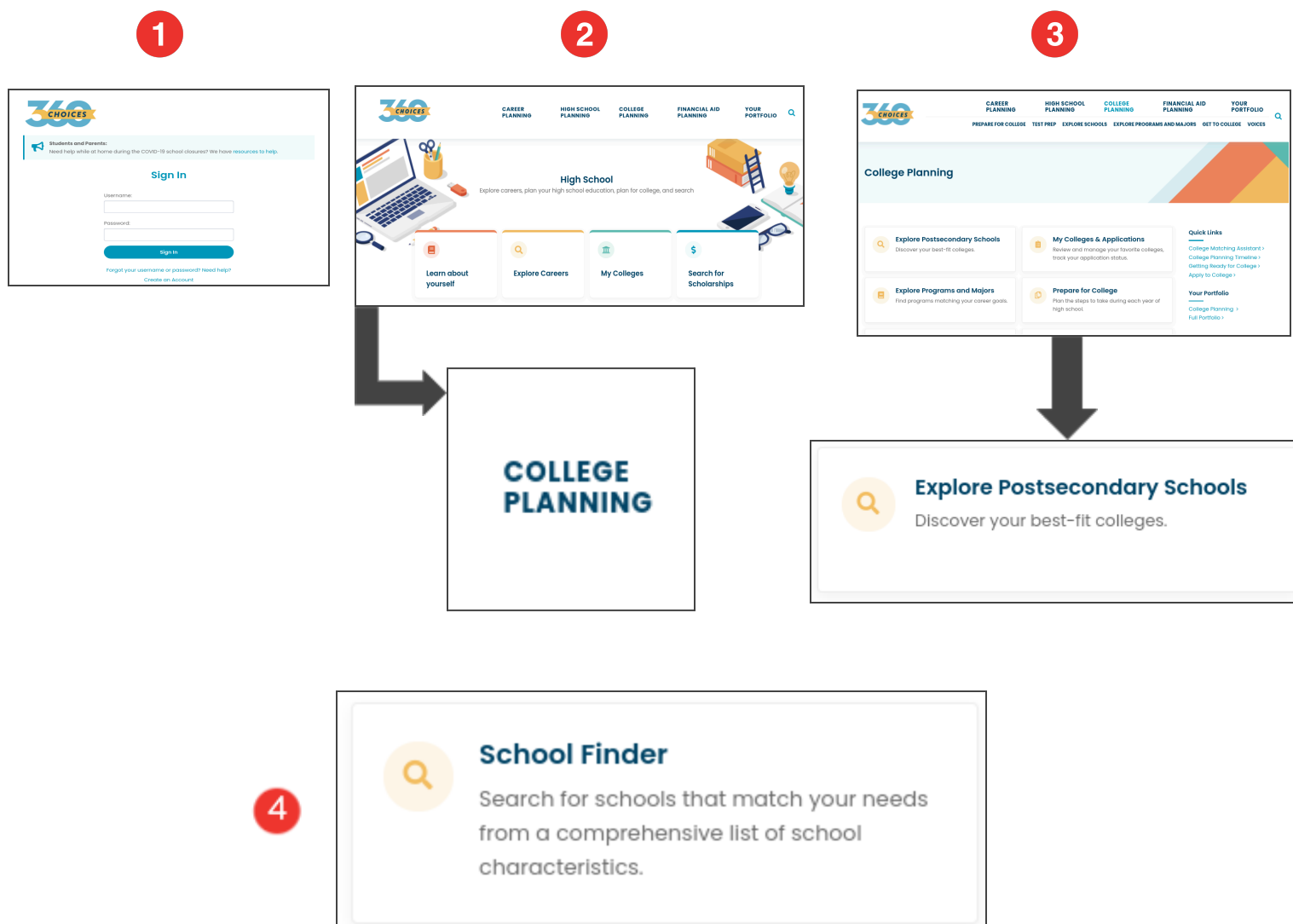
EXPLORING COLLEGES WITH THE SCHOOL FINDER

Overview:

- The purpose of this activity is to help you narrow down your choices by deciding your most important criteria. To do this you will be completing the **School Finder** activity.
- There are many things to consider when choosing a college or postsecondary option: location, tuition, school type, etc.

Log in:

1. Log into [Choices 360](#)
Click [here](#) for Login instructions
2. On the Homepage Click on “College Planning”
3. Click “Explore Postsecondary Schools”
4. Then click “School Finder” in the School Exploration Tools section.



Before using the School Finder think about:

- What do you value in a College?

Use the School Finder:

1. Use the **filters** on the left side to select the characteristics you would like in a school– location, school size, tuition, programs offered, etc.
2. The more specific you are, the fewer school matches(more narrow) you'll see.

After completing the Interest Profiler:

1. Click on **See your Matching Schools.**
2. Choose two or three characteristics which are most important and focus on those areas.

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3. You can click **Compare Schools** to view two schools' characteristics side by side to help make decisions regarding which schools they'd like to explore easier.
4. Answer the following reflective questions in **Your Journal** on the **Your Portfolio** tab:
 - a. Did this activity expose you to new postsecondary options that had not been previously considered? Explain.
 - b. Did this activity confirm your choice of college/university? Explain.

Follow up:

5. If you have questions or concerns contact your College and Career Center.
6. We suggest these follow up options to students:
 - Take a virtual College tour.
 - Talk to other students who attend that college.
 - Discuss the findings with your parents/guardian.
 - Read all available information about the colleges of your choice.