College Counseling Mission & Philosophy

Sacred Heart Preparatory College Counseling Mission Statement

The Sacred Heart Preparatory College Counseling Team strives to guide students through all facets of the complex college admission landscape. We mentor students in critically and joyfully assessing their abilities, achievements, and aspirations as they consider prospective options for their education and life beyond Sacred Heart Schools. Strengthening the skills and habits of accountability, self-awareness, and character already instilled through the gift of a Sacred Heart education, we collaborate with students, their families, and SHP educators to assist in preparing for and choosing wisely a future that honors each student's individual gifts and allows each to reach their full potential. This shared work is imbued by the ideals instilled through the goals and criteria developed by our founding RSCJ Sisters.

Our Philosophy

Finding the right college does not have to be an overwhelming or discouraging process. In fact, it can and should be fun. Our aim is that by May of a student's senior year, they will have found the right collegiate match for their own academic, geographic, social, athletic, and economic needs and goals.

At Sacred Heart, our working philosophy is that:

- Every student should seek to find the right fit, regardless of perceived prestige or rigor of admission.
- Every student should be afforded equal and individual attention in the college application process.
- The college process, in alignment with the <u>Goals & Criteria of a Sacred Heart education</u>, should foster an environment of growing knowledge, thoughtful questioning, and an intentional integration of the skills and desires of each student.