

The College Admissions Process Resource Sheet

A Homeschooled Student's Guide to Helpful Websites



General HSLDA Links

Home School Legal Defense Association offers comprehensive, experienced advice for homeschoolers preparing for college. Visit these links to find answers to the many questions you may have as you get ready to embark on your college application adventure.

- Home School Legal Defense Association
www.hslda.org
- HSLDA's Homeschooling Thru High School webpage
www.hslda.org/highschool
- For HSLDA members:
HSLDA High School Coordinators: Becky Cooke and Diane Kummer
www.hslda.org/contactstaff
540-338-5600

High School Email Newsletter Links

- To sign up for future free monthly Homeschooling Thru High School email newsletters:
www.hslda.org/highschool
- Past newsletters on this topic:
Transcripts, GPA Calculations
<http://www.hslda.org/elert/archive/2005/11/20051110163649.asp>

Recordkeeping
<http://www.hslda.org/elert/archive/2005/12/20051201101729.asp>
- Newsletter archives on other high school topics:
<http://www.hslda.org/highschool/newsletter.asp>

HSLDA's High School Brochures

<http://www.hslda.org/highschool/brochures.asp>

- Developing a Plan for High School: Sample 4-Year Plans
- Recordkeeping for High School: Simplifying the Process
- Homeschooling the College Bound: Successfully Navigating the Road to Admissions
- It's Off to Work We Go: Homeschooling for the Marketplace, the Home Front, or the Military
- Keeping on Track: A Timeline for High School

Recommended Resources for Homeschooling During High School

Get a jump-start on college prep while in high school. Refer to these helpful books for guidance and advice.

- *The High School Handbook* by Mary Schofield
- *Homeschooling High School: Planning Ahead for College Admissions* by Jeanne Gowen Dennis
- *Senior High: A Home Designed Form+U+La* by Barb Shelton

College Links

- “Preparing for College” Article
<http://www.hslda.org/docs/nche/000000/000019.asp>
- College Board Website (includes time line for students)
www.collegeboard.com
- The Common Application
www.commonapp.org

Transcript Sample Forms

Use these samples to get your high school transcript in college-application order.

<http://www.hslda.org/highschool/academics.asp#transcripts>



College Search Engines

Refine your college search by using these helpful websites. Find information regarding the college application process, and helpful background information on specific institutions.

- College Board
www.collegeboard.com
(see College Quickfinder and College Matchmaker)
<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/plan/bost-your-skills/index.html> (study skills)
- Christian College Mentor
www.christiancollegementor.org
- Peterson’s Guide
www.petersons.com

College Credit Links

Can you really get college credit in high school? Find out more here:

- AP or CLEP
www.collegeboard.com

College Tests Links

Find out everything you need to know to prepare for and conquer these college entrance exams! Get study help and information about the tests themselves at the following links:

- ACT
www.act.org
- SAT
www.collegeboard.com
- SAT II Subject Tests
www.collegeboard.com

Christian Colleges

Once you’ve decided to go to a Christian college, you’ll need some background information to choose the one that meets your needs and that offers your intended major. These resources can help you in the decision-making process.

- *College Bound: What Christian Parents Need to Know About Helping Their Kids Choose a College* by Thomas Shaw
- Council for Christian Colleges and Universities www.cccu.org

College Fairs

- National Association for College Admission Counseling
<http://www.nacacnet.org/EventsTraining/CollegeFairs/ncf/Pages/default.aspx>

Financial Aid Links

Funding your educational endeavors will be a large consideration in making your college choice. Discover all the financial options available to make your college dreams a reality.

- FAFSA
www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Smart Student Guide
www.finaid.org
- Profile
<https://profileonline.collegeboard.com>
- US Dep't of Education free booklet: *The Student Guide for High School seniors and College Students Financial Aid Information*
<http://studentaid.ed.gov>
- HSLDA Newsletter on Financial Aid
<http://www.hslda.org/elert/archive/2006/02/20060202151152.asp>
- HSLDA Newsletter on Competitions, Contests, and Scholarships
<http://www.hslda.org/elert/archive/2007/06/20070607150656.asp>

Alternative College Path Resources

- *College Without Compromise*, Scott & Kris Wightman
- Thomas Edison College, NJ
www.tesc.edu
- Excelsior College, NY
www.excelsior.edu
- Charter Oak State College, CT
www.cosc.edu

Free Computer Tutorials

Would you like some interactive help? Check out the following link to get started:

- <http://www.internet4classrooms.com/online.htm>

