



# High School & Beyond Planning — News & Information

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10<sup>th</sup> GRADE STUDENTS

## Exploring College Campuses

Visiting a college campus is one of the most exciting steps in choosing a college. If possible, it's best if you can visit multiple campuses before your senior year. Visiting colleges is a great way to get a feel for what college is like. It can help you decide if a specific college is a right fit.

Exploring campuses is well worth your while. You don't have to travel far —visiting local two- and four-year colleges is just as valuable. It's best to go when the college is in session. That way, you'll get to see it when classes are meeting and day-to-day activities are taking place.

Campus visits can range from a quick hour to an overnight stay, from a casual guided tour to a formal presentation. Most campus visits will include the following:

- **An information session.** An admissions representative talks to you or your group about the college before the campus tour.
- **A campus tour.** These are usually led by current students. You'll see the main parts of the campus and have a chance to ask questions.

To arrange a visit, contact that school's admissions office or check [colleges](#) **child's high school College and Career Specialist** to see if they are planning a visit that you can attend or check in for your school!

**Upcoming college visits**  
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## Myth Buster

**MYTH:** In order to get into a good college, you must have an impressive list of extracurricular activities and community service.

**REALITY:** Students often think that they need a long list of extracurricular activities, sports, and volunteer work in order to get into a top college.

Absolutely not true!  
Colleges, in putting together that well-rounded class, want to see passion and commitment.

It is more impressive to see multi-year commitment to one or two clubs, sports or community service activities to which you've dedicated yourself to and where you've achieved a leadership position than a long list of activities where you've just dabbled.

**Have Naviance Questions?** [naviance@everettsd.org](mailto:naviance@everettsd.org)

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## Student Checklist

- Check out scholarship opportunities in Naviance!** There are scholarships available for 10<sup>th</sup> Graders but you need to apply! Go to:  
[colleges](#) > [scholarship list](#)
- Use SuperMatch** Naviance to explore college options and personalize your search!
- Remember that school still comes first.** Extracurricular activities are important – but doing well in classes trumps sports or clubs.

## Family Checklist

- Explore interests with your child and encourage involvement.** Talk to your student about the kinds of activities she is interested in. Help your child get involved in school or in the community.
- Remind your teen that school still comes first.** Make sure your child understands your expectations for good grades.



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