



# The Importance of College Visits

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# Purpose of College Visits

- Very important and fun part of college exploration
  - Gain first hand experience with the college.
  - Does the college feel like a good fit for your student?
  - Can decide whether or not to keep college on your list.
- 3 types of college visits
  - In-person tour
  - Virtual tour
  - College visits at Bishop Moore

Stanford University





# In-Person Campus Visits

- Research colleges prior to visit
  - Sports tournaments, vacations, etc.
- Schedule tour on college's website
- What to expect from a tour?
- Prepare questions in advance
- Talk to current students at the college

University of Connecticut



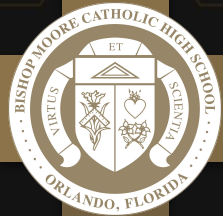


# In-Person Campus Visits

- Eat in dining hall, visit library & dorms
- Check out bulletin boards, newspapers
- Explore campus on your own after tour
- Explore surrounding community
- Keep notes and photos of your visit

Pepperdine University





# Potential Questions to Ask

**Encourage student to ask questions that are important to them!**

- ☐ Popular majors?
- ☐ Best reasons to attend the college?
- ☐ What do students do in their free time/ weekends?
- ☐ Popular activities and clubs?
- ☐ How many students live on campus?
- ☐ Why did you choose to attend this college?
- ☐ What do you wish you could change about this college?
- ☐ Dining options?
- ☐ Support services?

University of Southern California

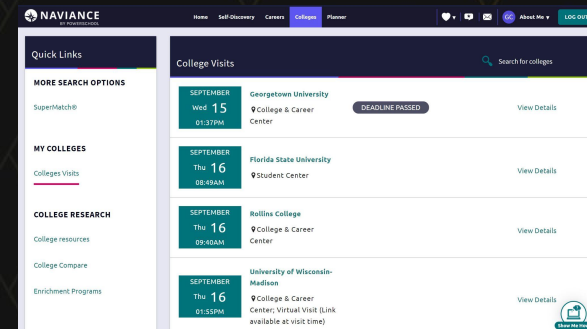






# Bishop Moore College Visits

- Over 100 colleges and universities
- Chance for students to meet admissions representatives
- Research colleges to see if they're a good fit
- Sophomore through Senior students are eligible to attend
- Visits listed in Naviance (Colleges, then college visits)
  - Must register 24 hrs in advance
  - Get teacher permission
- Prepare questions in advance
- Take notes





# Virtual Campus Visits

Great way to visit a lot of campuses, especially out-of-state

- Links to virtual tours on Naviance or college's websites
  - YouVisit- can filter by campus traits
  - The College Tour tv show
- Some tours are student-led
- Virtual reality options
- Academic departments
- Keep notes about your observations

University of Florida





# Questions?

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