

Parent Information Form

You have had the unique opportunity to watch your son/daughter grow and develop over these past seventeen or so years. As a result, you have knowledge and insights about him/her that no one else has. This is your opportunity to let us know anything about him/her that you think will be helpful to us (and the colleges) to know as we work closely with your child next year. Your responses really help when it comes time for us to write your son's/daughter's recommendation letter. Please spend time thinking about the following questions and answer them on this sheet or a separate one. If you would prefer to use these questions only as a guide, feel free to write a letter instead. Thank you very much for this information. **It is a big help!**

Your son's/daughter's name: _____

Please indicate the college/university characteristics that you feel would best match the needs of your son or daughter. Check more than one if necessary.

SIZE OF UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION:

Small (under 2500) Medium (2501-7500) Large (7501-15000) Very Large (>15000)

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION:

Northeast Southeast Mid-Atlantic In-state Midwest West Coast

Wherever it's warm No preference

DISTANCE FROM HOME (by car):

Commutable 2-4 hours 4-10 hours (1 day's drive) More than 10 hours

PROXIMITY TO CITY/TYPE OF CAMPUS:

In city/urban Near a large city Well-removed from city Suburban Rural

ACADEMIC PROGRAM:

Liberal Arts Business Engineering Nursing Fine Arts

Other: _____

LEVEL OF ACADEMIC CHALLENGE/SELECTIVITY:

Extremely intense Intense Moderate Relaxed

OTHER PARAMETERS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD:

Are there specific colleges you think might suit your son or daughter?

College Name

Why?

List 5-8 adjectives that best describe your son or daughter. VERY important.

Think of three characteristics of your son/daughter that a college/university would find attractive. 1) Name that characteristic, and 2) describe an anecdote from your child's life that demonstrates that quality or characteristic. Be as detailed and descriptive as possible. This will be extremely helpful to me in getting to know your child and in writing a strong recommendation. Use the back of the page if you need more space.

What is one of your child's top strengths? What is one of his/her chief weaknesses?

In what area has your child showed the most growth during his/her high school years?

Does your child have an area of untapped potential that you feel (or hope) will be particularly developed and enhanced by a college experience?

Does your child's academic record accurately reflect his or her academic ability? If not, why not?

Does your child have accomplishments/interests/passions beyond what we know about or see at school? Go into some detail. (You'd be amazed what they don't tell us!)

Do you have any specific concerns about the college planning process?

Would you like to schedule an appointment to discuss the college process?

Parent: ____ Mother ____ Father

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Name

Name

Occupation

Occupation

Employer

Employer

College(s) attended, if any, and degree(s) earned

College(s) attended, if any, and degree(s) earned

Graduate program(s), if any, and degree(s) earned

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Home telephone

Home telephone

Regularly-checked email address

Regularly-checked email address

Work telephone

Work telephone

Cell phone

Cell phone

Country of birth

Country of birth

Are parents: ____ Married ____ Separated ____ Divorced ____ Other

If parents do not live together, with whom does the child reside? _____

Step-parent information, if applicable:

Step-parent's name

Occupation

Step-parent's name

Occupation

Siblings:

Name

Age

School/College(s) attended/attending

Name

Age

School/College(s) attended/attending

Name

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