

# COLLEGE KICKOFF NIGHT for the Class of 2018

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# Our Objective Tonight:

- Introduce you to the Counseling Department.
- Relay your son's GPA & Class rank.
- Inform you of ACT/SAT dates & sign-up information.
- Distribute AP test registration forms.
- Discuss College Fair & College Visits.
- Planning for Senior year Schedules.
- Explain the Application Process.
- Address Financial Aid/Scholarship concerns.
- Generally, Get you headed in the right direction...

# ACT/SAT

- Differences
- 2017 DATES
  - SAT ---March 11<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, June 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - ACT ---April 8<sup>th</sup>, June 10<sup>th</sup>
- Writing score = **1x** (\$16 extra)



# Factors to Consider

- **Size** (*small, medium, large*)
- **Location** (*in-state/out of state*)
- **Cost** (*financial aid*)
- **Private vs. Public** (*religious affiliation*)
- **Majors** (*average 3 changes*)

# Application Process

- “Early Bird gets the Worm!”
  - August 21<sup>st</sup> (first day of school)
  - **October 1<sup>st</sup>** Mr. Smith Deadline
- Common Application
  - Opens August 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Essay & recommendations over the summer
- Number of Application submissions?
  - 5-10 (safety schools, dream schools, good-fit schools)

# What's Next?

- **College Visits**
- **AP Tests**
  - Dates are: **May 1<sup>nd</sup> – May 12<sup>th</sup>**
- **Senior year schedule**
  - AP vs. college courses (adv/disadv)
  - “Senioritis”
- **Resume’ to Mr. Smith**
  - What to include:
    - Honors, jobs, c. service, clubs, athletics, “sets you apart”
- **College fairs**
  - St. Mary’s college fair --**March 8<sup>th</sup> from 1-2:30pm**  
**Parents Welcome!**



# Questions??

THANK YOU!

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