Preparing for Your NEXT STEPS:

9th-10th Grade Parent Meeting
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Stay focused on the goal - Your best match!

“As the Career/College Counseling Team (CCCT), our mission is to **meet all kids where they are**, help them blaze a path that explores the **possibilities** and their **potential**, and leads them without judgment to the next productive and happy place in their lives.” – From the CCCT Mission Statement
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• Letting Go: A Parent’s Guide to Understanding the College Years, by Coburn and Treeger | | • The Naked Roommate: And 107 Other Issues You Might Run into in College, by Harlan Cohen  
• The Happiest Kid on Campus: A Parent’s Guide to the Very Best College Experience (for You and Your Child!), by Harlan Cohen |
Seminar Overview
College Admission Factors

- Rigor of courses
- Grades
- Standardized Testing
- Activities
- Recommendations
- Essays
- Interviews
- Character (Discipline Policy regarding reporting to colleges)
How We Guide Students Toward Their Best Fit

- Seminar
- Informational Workshops
- Individual meetings in Junior Year
- U-Visits
- College representatives at CSD
- Parent Book Reads
- Internships and Independent Study

“In guiding students toward the next chapter of their lives, we honor each student's individuality and potential by sharing their hopefulness, celebrating their aspirations, identifying possibilities, and opening doors.”

– From the CCCT Mission Statement
Overview of College Research

• Tour of Live Binder
• Sources of information:
  ▫ Internet
  ▫ Books
  ▫ People
  ▫ College Visits
  ▫ College Fairs
  ▫ College Reps at CSD
• College research example
Upcoming Events:

• Financial Aid Seminar at Davidson College
  October 9
• U-Visits
Parent Q&A with The Counseling Team

Tuesday, October 23  7:00-8:00 pm
OR
Wednesday, October 24  8:30-9:30 am
Don’t forget to enjoy this process... It will be over before you know it!

“We believe that college admissions should be a process that feels hopeful, magical, exciting, non-threatening, and self-reflective.”
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Questions?