

# COLLEGE SEARCH PROCESS

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# INTRODUCTION

- 57% of students graduate in 6 years from college, 36.4% graduate in 4 years!
- 68% of graduates from public and nonprofit colleges in 2015 had student loan debt, with an average of \$30,100 per borrower (The Institute for College Access & Success).
- Why attend college?
- College is a home...
- WLHS College Nights in Fall and Oregon Public Universities here at WLHS in Spring 2017!!!!
- Check out Guidance page on school website, under “News”, for additional helpful handouts and copy of PowerPoint.

**There is a good option for each student!**

# STUDENT PROFILE

- GPA

- Test Scores

- Rigor

- Recommendations

- Essay

- Community Service

- Extracurricular Activity

# STANDARDIZED TESTING

- “New” SAT

**New Scoring (out of 1600) as of March 2016**

Evidence-Based Reading and Writing

Math

Essay (Optional)

- SAT Subject Tests

**(\*\*Check with individual universities)**

English

Social Studies

Math

Science

World Languages

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

- ACT

English

Math

Reading

Science

\*Sign up for ACT + Writing

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

# REGISTRATION

## • **SAT & Subject Tests**

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

Upcoming Test Dates:

March 11, 2017 (reg by 2/10/17)

May 6, 2017 (reg by 4/7/17)

June 3, 2017 (reg by 5/9/17)

## • **ACT**

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

Upcoming Test Dates:

April 8, 2017 (reg by 3/3/17)

June 10, 2017 (reg by 5/5/17)

# STANDARDIZED TESTING CONT...

- Visit [www.wlhs.wlww.k12.or.us](http://www.wlhs.wlww.k12.or.us) under **Guidance > SAT** for both SAT and ACT prep information.
- WLHS school code: 381250
- **Most students take the SAT or ACT during Spring of Junior year!**

# WLHS SAT PREP

- 10 weeks, \$85 (includes test prep book)!!!
  - Class meets twice a week.
    - 7:15am – 8:15am
  - Covers math and verbal sections

- Full for the Winter session ending before the March SAT test date, but try for next session (sign ups in Early March and class will start after Spring Break)!

**Receipt of payment secures spot in class – Register with Holly Scheid (bookkeeper)...**

**Classes fill very quickly!**

# KHAN ACADEMY SAT PREP

- Khan Academy provides FREE personalized online SAT prep at [www.satpractice.org](http://www.satpractice.org)
- Connects with CollegeBoard account and uses PSAT (or previous SAT) scores to customize studying
  - Focuses on areas of improvement based on last score
  - Creates study schedule based on SAT test date
  - Full practice tests

# COLLEGE PROFILES

- Private Colleges / Universities
- Public Colleges / Universities
- Community College
- Vocational / Career Schools

WHAT ARE THEY LOOKING FOR?

# PRIVATE COLLEGE PROFILES (C/O 2016)

Private Colleges	Avg. GPA	Avg. SAT*	Avg. ACT	# of Applicants	# Admitted
<b>Claremont McKenna</b>	3.95	1500	31	7,156	784
<b>George Fox</b>	3.6	1170	23	2,891	1,655
<b>Gonzaga</b>	3.73	1330	27	7,162	4,835
<b>Hawaii Pacific Univ</b>	3.32	1070	20	4,668	2,886
<b>Linfield</b>	3.6	1160	23	2,054	1,926
<b>Pepperdine</b>	3.75	1310	27	8,914	3,161
<b>Reed College</b>	3.9	1440	31	5,705	1,786
<b>Santa Clara</b>	3.64	1340	29	15,834	7,648
<b>Stanford</b>	4.0	1500	32	43, 997	2,114
<b>Univ of Puget Sound</b>	3.53	1310	27	5,583	4,427
<b>Whitman</b>	3.75	1400	30	3,931	1,979
<b>Willamette</b>	3.7	1330	27	6,350	4,658

\*Some of these scores have been converted from “old” SAT scores, and are approximations of new scoring.

# OREGON PUBLIC UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

<b><i>College</i></b>	<b><i>Admission Standards</i></b>	<b><i>Deadline</i></b>	<b><i>Tuition + Room &amp; Board</i></b>
Eastern Oregon	2.75 or SAT (essay optional) or 21 ACT	Rolling	\$18,624
OIT	3.0 or 880-1080 SAT(no writing) or 17-21 ACT	Rolling	\$19,227
Oregon State OSU Cascades	3.0, SAT or ACT required Insight Resume	Feb 1, 2017	\$25,434
Portland State	3.0 or 1130-1350 SAT(no writing) or 23-29 ACT	Rolling	\$21,168
Southern Oregon	3.0 or 1110 SAT(no writing) or 22-26 ACT	Rolling	\$21,063
Univ of Oregon	3.4, SAT or ACT required – Will consider 3.0 & above-Essay required	Jan 17, 2017	\$22,344
Western Oregon	3.0 or 1130 SAT(no writing) or 23 ACT	Rolling	\$19,224
Community College	High School Diploma + Placement tests or SAT/ACT	Rolling	

# COLLEGE ADMISSION INFORMATION – CLASS OF 2016

College	Applications Received	Students Accepted	Percent Accepted	Students Enrolled
Univ of Oregon	21,649	16,892	78.03%	3,949
Oregon State	14,616	11,485	78.58%	3,856
Portland State	5,951	4,126	69.33%	1,644
UC Berkley	82,573	14,433	17.48%	5,467
Stanford	43,977	2,114	4.81%	1,750
Columbia Univ	36,292	2,193	6.04%	1,428
Univ of Washington	36,840	19,525	55.21%	7,546
Univ of Colorado - Boulder	31,291	25,032	80.00%	8,311
UCLA	97,121	17,474	17.99%	6,545
Vanderbilt	32,442	3,487	10.75%	1,601
NYU	50,804	18,010	35.45%	5,917

# FAQ'S

## ✓ What is the Oregon University "D" Rule?

All "D's" in core academic coursework must be recovered\* before applying to an Oregon University.

\*See counselor regarding credit recovery options!

## ✓ What is the California University (UC and Cal State) Art Requirement?

Must complete full year (2 semesters) of fine/performing art in same discipline.

## ✓ Do I need letters of rec for all colleges?

You do not need letters of rec for public colleges. Most private colleges require letters of rec from teachers and MUST have letters of rec from your high school counselor. Please talk to your counselor about this.

# FAQS

## ✓ Early Decision vs. Early Action:

Be cautious when looking at these terms. Make sure to talk to your counselor early in your senior year to talk about these options and whether they apply to you or not. Some of these are binding and require that you meet with your counselor to discuss. Also deadlines are earlier. For these options, the application deadlines range from Nov 1. – Dec. 15. That means that you would have to start your application process sooner than later.

## ✓ Typical Timeline for application process:

11<sup>th</sup> grade Spring – take SAT's or ACT's (subject tests too if needed for some schools)

12<sup>th</sup> grade Fall – start applications, request transcripts

12<sup>th</sup> grade Fall/Winter/Spring – do scholarship apps

After October of Senior year – parents fill out FAFSA and/or CSS profile

# WHAT TO THINK ABOUT WHEN SEARCHING FOR A COLLEGE...

- **Location**
- **Student Body**
- **Admissions**
- **Athletics**
- **Majors**
- **Costs (scholarships, WUE, etc.)**
- **Special Programs**
- **DATA!!!**

# PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP...

- COUNSELORS!!!
- College & Career Resource Center – Sandie Yamauchi
- The Registrar – Michelle Hoover
- Parents 😊
- Teachers
- Friends & Family
- College Admissions Office Advisors

# TO REVIEW

## (WHAT WE WILL GO OVER WITH STUDENTS)...

- Start with conversation...remember the people listed previously?
- Review what you decided regarding location, student body, admissions, etc.
- Utilize college search books and apps.
- Read college reviews in books, newspapers, and online.
- College visits – WLHS has many school visits throughout the year during lunch time. Dates are posted online and in Naviance!

# TO REVIEW (CONT'D)...

- Do your own research!!!!

- Online searches

**Naviance** is just one way that WLHS can help with online searches. Every student now has access to Naviance from the WLHS website ([www.wlhs.wlww.k12.or.us](http://www.wlhs.wlww.k12.or.us)) under the **Guidance** section. This program provides college search resources, an extensive listing of colleges/universities, and many useful tools to guide both students and parents through the search and application process. Let's take a look...