In Spring 2017, 3.5 million students will graduate from high school; 68% will immediately enroll in college.

Students who meet one-on-one with a high school counselor to discuss admission and financial aid are three times more likely to enroll in college.

Top four factors in the admission decision (percent of colleges rating as considerably important):
- Grades in college prep courses (79%)
- Strength of curriculum (60%)
- Grades in all courses (60%)
- SAT or ACT (56%)

Four-year colleges accepted two-thirds of freshman applicants, on average.

80% of freshmen attend four-year colleges that accept at least half of applicants.

Top two factors in the admission decision are GPA at prior postsecondary institution(s) and average grades in transferable courses.

On average, four-year colleges accept 61% of transfer applicants from two- and four-year colleges.

The average application fee at four-year colleges is about $45. 20% of institutions don’t have fees. You may qualify for a fee waiver: www.nacacnet.org/studentinfo/feewaiver.

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