

# Top College Resources

## **Web Searches and Fact Finding:**

**College Navigator** provides searchable facts and figures

**FairTest** identifies colleges that are fully or partially test optional

**Niche** summarizes parent and student input to review colleges

**Colleges of Distinction** gives a different perspective on prominent colleges and hidden gems

**College Express** has a variety of search tools and scholarships

**Unigo** has college searches, stats, and student reviews

**Colleges that Change Lives** describes student centric colleges

## **Additional Resources:**

**Common Application:** [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)

**Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success**

**SAT:** <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>

**ACT:** <https://www.act.org/>

**TeenLife** lists enrichment, summer and gap programs

**NCAA:** <http://www.ncaa.org/>

## **Financial Aid:**

**FAFSA:** <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa>

**FAFSA4caster:** <https://fafsa.ed.gov/FAFSA/app/f4cForm?execution=e1s1>

**CSS Profile:** <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/> used by many private colleges

**College Data:** <https://www.collegedata.com/> detailed financial aid information

**College Raptor:** <https://www.collegerraptor.com/> predicts financial aid offered by colleges

## **Essays:**

**College Essay Guy.** The online go to resource with information and podcasts

**Wow Writing Workshop** <https://wowwritingworkshop.com/>

## **Great Guide Books:**

**Fiske Guide to Colleges**

**Colleges that Change Lives** by Lauren Pope

**College Match and College Finder** by Steven Antonoff

**Insider's Guide to the Colleges** by Yale Daily News Staff

**Cool Colleges: For the Hyper-Intelligent, Self-Directed, Late Blooming, and Just Plain Different**