

# Websites for the College Bound

## Start Here

### Peterson's Planner

<http://www.petersons.com/>

Prepare for the test, find the right school, explore financial aid. Advice for students and parents.

## Test Prep

*Tip: Familiarize yourself with all test instructions before exam day.  
Don't use valuable test time reading directions.*

### Learn A Test

[http://www.pclibs.org/electronic\\_resources.htm](http://www.pclibs.org/electronic_resources.htm)

Online test & course resources.

### Kaplan K-12 Learning Services

[www.kaptest.com/K12\\_home.jhtml](http://www.kaptest.com/K12_home.jhtml)

Click on "College Readiness"

Online test prep, Online College Planning.

### Collegeboard

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

Online test prep.

### The Princeton Review

[www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com)

Online test prep.

### ACT: The Test

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

Everything you want to know about the ACT.

### Take SAT

[www.takesat.com](http://www.takesat.com)

Plan your preparation for the new SAT.

## Choosing Schools

*Tip: Every school has a website. Use them!*

### Campus Tours

[www.campustours.com](http://www.campustours.com)

Overviews of many of Virginia's smaller schools.

### Hobson's College View

[www.collegeview.com](http://www.collegeview.com)

Advice on campus life, financial aid, the application process, etc.

### The Princeton Review

[www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com)

Ranks and lists schools using several criteria.

### U.S. News & World Report

<http://www.usnews.com/usnews/rankguide/rghome.htm>

Ranks America's best colleges plus advice, polls, interviews & more.

## Scholarships and Financial Aid

*Tip: Do not pay for scholarship search services. The following are free. Be sure to visit the Financial Aid Office at your college for more help and advice.*

### FAFSA

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Colleges and universities will want you to start here.

### Fast Web Scholarship Search

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

Over 1.3 million scholarships worth over \$3 billion.

### Colleges, college Scholarships, and Financial Aid Page

[www.college-scholarships.com](http://www.college-scholarships.com)

Links to free scholarships searches, free email newsletter, and more.

### FinAid

<http://www.finaid.com/>

A comprehensive source of student financial aid information, advice and tools.

## Other interesting sites

### XAP

<http://www.xap.com/>

Tools for college planning and the application process.

### CollegeNET

<http://www.collegenet.com/>

Matches your interests with colleges around the United States, scholarship search and other useful links.

### College Prowler

<http://www.collegeprowler.com/>

Firsthand reports from current students on 200 schools. Reports cost \$16.95 each and can be ordered from this site.

### Council for Christian Colleges and Universities

<http://www.cccu.org/>

The CCCU is a membership group for Christian schools but note that many Christian schools are not members of this organization.

### College Prep – 101

<http://collegeprep.okstate.edu/homepages.nsf/toc/CP101-toc>

An online, tuition-free course prepared by Oklahoma State University for high school students and their parents. A great overview of what you need to do to get ready for college starting in high school.