

College Visit Guide

Juan Diego Catholic High School
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COLLEGE CHECKLIST AND QUESTIONS

Rate 1 - 5, 1= Excellent

_____ Upkeep of Grounds

_____ Facilities

_____ Library

_____ Feeling of Safety

_____ Condition of Buildings

_____ Athletic / Drama Facilities

_____ Dormitories

_____ Food

Who teaches introductory courses - professors or graduate students?

How big was this year's freshman class and how difficult is it to get the classes you want?

What opportunities are there for study abroad?

Where do students go to socialize? What do they do?

What happens here on weekends? Do students stay on campus?

Does this school have Fraternities and sororities?

What are your best academic departments?

What other colleges did you apply to? Why did you pick this one?

If you could change one thing about this school, what would it be?

What do you think is the best thing about this school?

What do you think of the dorms? Which one would you choose as a freshman?

Where do you usually eat? How is it?

COLLEGE REPORT CARD

Name of College _____ Date Visited _____

Name of Presenter _____ e-mail _____

Name of Tour Guide _____ e-mail _____

Impressions of Presenter and Tour Guide _____

Good Impressions:

1

2

3

4

Bad Impressions:

1

2

3

4

What I want to remember about this college _____

Should I apply to this college? YES NO MAYBE

Why? _____

Overall assessment of how well this college fits me:

Not Very Well 1 2 3 4 5 Extremely Well

TIPS FOR A TERRIFIC COLLEGE VISIT

Do's and Don'ts

DO...

...record your observations

...talk to students on every campus.

...follow up your visit with a thank you note.

...analyze the whole school.

...take photographs.

...read copies of the school newspaper.

...look at the bulletin boards and other postings. What's happening on campus? Do these activities interest you?

...roam the campus by yourself - look for clues that the college is a place where you would fit in.

...walk or drive around the community surrounding the college.

...eat a meal somewhere on campus.

... go to the student activities office. What clubs are most popular? Are the first-year students able to get involved in most organizations? Does one of activity - sports, Greek letter organizations, the local bar scene - seem to dominate?

...check out the public transportation system.

...try to determine: Does the school seem like an interesting place for ME to be?

...judge the schools after you return home and have time to think about all of your visits.

TIPS FOR A TERRIFIC COLLEGE VISIT

Do's and Don'ts

DON'T...

- ...evaluate the school on the basis of a visit by someone you know, even if you are visiting together!
- ...judge the school solely on the impressions of your tour guide
- ...let the weather on the day of your visit totally influence your impression.
- ...make snap judgments.
- ...let the perceived quality or academic reputation totally affect you. Your task is to find the right college for YOU.
- ...judge the school solely on impressions made on your visit. Remember what you have read and heard about the college before your visit.

Print Resources:

Peterson's Guide to College Visits

College Match by Steven Antonoff and Marie Friedman

You're Gonna Love This College Guide by Marly Nemko

Website: www.campusvisit.com