



NHS ADVISORY

Date: October 30, 2014

Grade	11
Topic	College Options – Important Factors in the Exploration Process
Goal	To help students better understand what they are looking for in a college/post-secondary program (in a more general sense).
Activities/ Procedures	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reflect on the PSAT – what did students think about it? What are some things they'd do different next time in regards to strategizing? Did they manage the time effectively? You can mention that there is a SAT prep course at NHS starting in mid-February. They will hear more about it as it gets closer.2. Distribute the SAT/ACT Combo Test flyer (there's 2 on each sheet) – this is a free test to determine what college entrance exam is a better fit for students based on their strengths.3. Ask students whether they have started to think about the college/post-secondary exploration process. Discuss the benefits of starting to think about this now and planning for the next few months: researching colleges, college visits, etc. What are some important factors in choosing a college?4. Run group activity – “What are You Looking for in a College/Post-Secondary Program” (instructions are on the handout)<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Have students complete the handout: “College Factor Worksheet”5. Follow-up discussion<ul style="list-style-type: none">- What is one thing you realized by doing this activity?- What is one thing you want to know more about? <p>- Encourage students to keep in mind the factors they consider important and to go to the College Board website and/or Naviance to complete a college search</p>