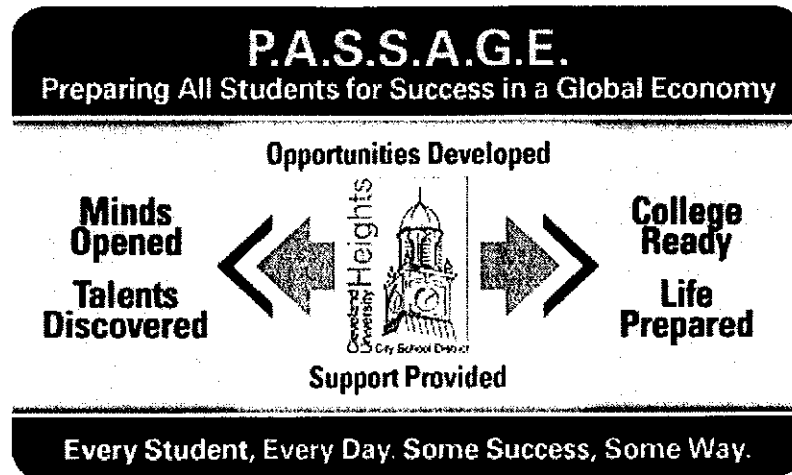


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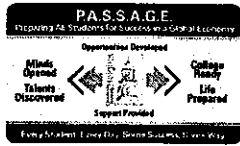
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Agenda

- Choosing a Major
 - Knowing yourself
 - Understanding majors
- Researching Colleges
 - Types of Colleges
 - Characteristics to Consider
 - Resources
 - Parent Involvement

What comes first:
choosing a college
or
choosing a major?

Choosing a Major

What is a major?

- the subject your child will take the most courses in and learn the most about
- the area of study that the degree will be in after completing the required courses

Choosing a Major

How do you choose a major?

- Define your career goal.
 - What interests you?
 - What are you good at?
 - What are your favorite subjects?
 - What activities do you enjoy?
- Complete an interest inventory.

Interest Inventories

Ohio Career Information System

OCIS is an Internet-based delivery system for occupational, post-secondary school, and financial aid information.

<http://ohcis.intocareers.org>

Username: CleveHtsHS

Password: ohicis03

Interest Inventories

IDEAS

(Interest Determination, Exploration, and Assessment System)

- identifies your interests and matches them to careers
- 128 activities
 - Like Very Much
 - Like Somewhat
 - Indifferent
 - Dislike Somewhat
 - Dislike Very Much
- Assessment Link

Choosing a Major

Most popular majors among all current college students

- Business
- Social sciences/history
- Education
- Psychology
- Nursing

Most popular major among for incoming first year college students is UNDECIDED.

Choosing a College

College or University?

- College
 - Two or four year
 - Offers only undergraduate degrees
- University
 - Four year
 - Offers both undergraduate and graduate degrees

Choosing a College

Undergraduate or Graduate?

- Undergraduate Education
 - post-secondary education up to the level of a bachelor's degree
 - Associate's degree = 2 years
 - Bachelor's degree = 4 years
- Graduate Education
 - post-secondary education beyond the bachelor's degree
 - Master's degree
 - Doctorate degree

Choosing a College

Public or Private?

- Public
 - Funded in part with money from the state budget
 - in state/ out of state tuition
 - 13 in Ohio
- Private
 - rely on private sources of funding, such as tuition fees and alumni donations
 - Faith based
 - 51 in Ohio

Choosing a College

What is the Ivy League?

- an athletic conference comprising eight private institutions the Northeastern United States
 - Brown University
 - Columbia University
 - Cornell University
 - Dartmouth College
 - Harvard University
 - Princeton University
 - University of Pennsylvania
 - Yale University

Choosing a College

What is the Ivy League?

- the phrase is no longer limited to athletics, and now represents an educational philosophy inherent to the nation's oldest schools
- connotations of academic excellence and selectivity in admissions

Choosing a College

What is an HBCU?

- Historically Black College or University
- 103 institutions of higher education in the United States
- established before 1964 with the intention of serving the black community
- in Ohio: Central State University, Wilberforce University

Choosing a College

Admission Requirements

- Safety - the student meets or exceeds the minimum requirements and is almost certain to be admitted
- Probable - GPA, test scores, and other features look very similar to recent entering classes and the student is likely to be admitted
- Reach - the student may fall short of the profile of the most recent entering students and admission is less certain

Choosing a College

Other Characteristics to Consider

- Location
- Setting
- Size
- Expenses
- Housing & Facilities
- Activities
- Services

Choosing a College

Resources

- OCIS
- College Fairs
- Visits with College Reps
- Talk to CHHS Alum & Community Members
- Websites & Virtual Tours
- Campus Visits

Choosing a College

Campus Visits

- Visit your top choices
- Visit nearby colleges that are similar
- Visit when students are on campus
- Take the official campus tour
- Stay overnight
- Visit a class
- Eat in the dining hall

Parent Involvement

Appropriate vs. Inappropriate

- Behaviors
- Thoughts
- Feelings

Whose idea is this?

Whose life is this?

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Workshop 4: The College Athlete

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Topics will include intercollegiate athletic associations, the NCAA Clearinghouse and eligibility, recruitment, scholarships, letters of intent, and more!

Workshop 5: The Application Process

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

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Topics will include paper and online applications, fees, deadlines, recommendation letters, essays, interviews, portfolios, auditions, and more!
