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College 101: Summer College Exploration



Find out what Minnesota private colleges and universities have to offer!

**Tuesday June 21-
Friday June 24**

Important information for college applications:

SPCPA School Code: 242 284

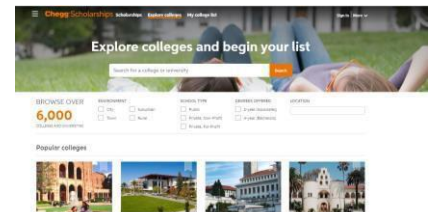
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College List Tools

Big data has made its mark on the college search process. Here are a few suggestions that may make developing your list easier...

[Chegg](#) provides both scholarship matches and college search tools. Their statistics are clearly presented and easy to use. If your application involves an audition, take it's "chance of admission tool" with a grain of salt. *That caveat is true for all websites with this feature.*



[Unigo](#) is another site that provides scholarship matches and college search information. It includes reviews in written and video formats as well as a tool to compare schools based on metrics you choose such as tuition and selectivity.



In pre-internet times, [Peterson's](#) published the "big book" of colleges. All those years of experience means this is a good site for answering general application questions.



Come on your own or with your parents. These introductory campus tours and informational meetings can serve as a first step to help you discover just what you're looking for in a college – especially if you are early in your search. Sessions are held from **9:30 a.m. to 11:30, noon to 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** EXCEPT for the joint sessions held by the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University, which run from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

STEP 1: Check out [each college's profile](#) or use our [online search tool](#) to find colleges that matches your interests by majors, sports and the arts.

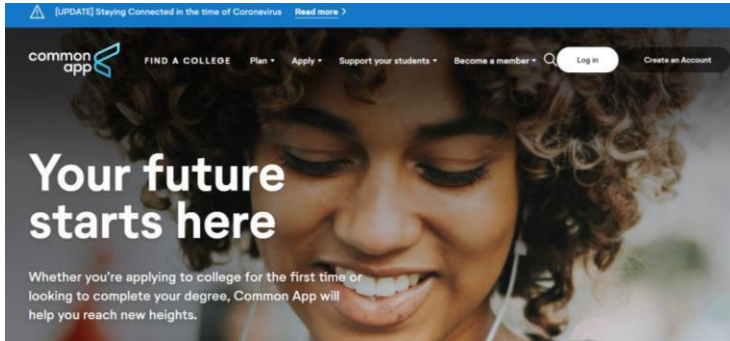
STEP 2: Decide where you want to visit. [View a map](#) to see where our 17 campuses are located around the state. If you're thinking about visiting more than one in the same day, our [mileage chart](#) may also be helpful.

STEP 3: Register for free online beginning on May 1 – and mark your calendars.



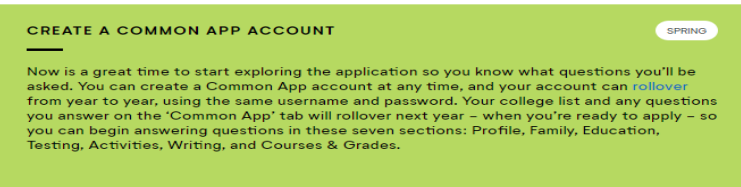
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College 101: Hoping to Get a Jump on Senior Year College-Related Tasks?

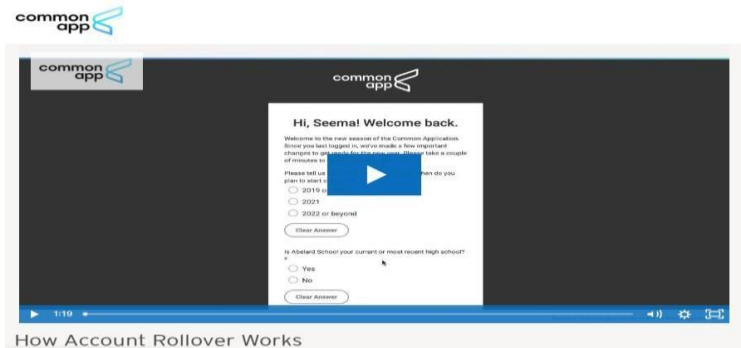


Every year over a million students apply to one or more of the 900 colleges and universities that accept the [Common Application](#). In a typical year, 60+% of SPCPA seniors make use of this college application platform, because it is an efficient way to apply to multiple schools **and** often the only way to apply to at least some of the colleges and universities on their lists.

Knowing this application may be in your future now gives juniors a chance to create their account and [evaluate the types of information](#) that they will need to submit next fall.



The great news? You can rollover the information you submit now to get a jump start on application next fall! Curious about what rolling over your account entails? Click [here](#) to learn more.



Starting the Common App as a junior doesn't mean you've committed yourself to anything! It is not unusual for a college list to change dramatically between junior year and National Decision Day (May 1st senior year). Getting comfy with the Common App now can make life calmer later. Feel free to play with your list of schools, essays and activities information now to figure out what's missing and how you want to impact your "story" moving forward.

Junior Class Presentation Throwback...

- Test/retest (ACT or SAT) **in June**
- Develop your list of "possible" schools
- Create essays/activities resume
- Request teacher recommendations
- Understand your financial needs

Need Help Sessions: Ms. Green would love to hear from you!



16,216 likes
historycoolkids "Piglet?" said Pooh.

"Yes Pooh?" said Piglet.

"Do you ever have days when everything feels... Not Very Okay At All? And sometimes you don't even know why you feel Not Very Okay At All, you just know that you do."

Piglet nodded his head sagely. "Oh yes," said Piglet. "I definitely have those days."

"Really?" said Pooh in surprise. "I would never have thought that. You always seem so happy and like you have got everything in life all sorted out."

"Ah," said Piglet. "Well here's the thing. There are two things that you need to know, Pooh. The first thing is that even those pigs, and bears, and people, who seem to have got everything in life all sorted out... they probably haven't. Actually, everyone has days when they feel Not Very Okay At All. Some people are just better at hiding it than others.

And the second thing you need to know... is that it's okay to feel Not Very Okay At All. It can be quite normal, in fact. And all you need to do, on those days when you feel Not Very Okay At All, is come and find me, and tell me. Don't ever feel like you have to hide the fact you're feeling Not Very Okay At All. Always come and tell me. Because I will always be there."

—A.A. Milne