



First Generation to College Success

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Why College?

- Lifetime earnings 1 million more with a postsecondary degree
- Health insurance
- Overall health
- Incidence of poverty 3.5 times lower
- By 2020, an estimated 2/3 of job openings will require a postsecondary degree



First Generation Stats

The Negative:

-More than 40% of first time full time students don't complete a degree in six years.

-Just 9% of students from the lowest income quartile graduate with a bachelor's degree by age 24 compared to 77% of the top income quartile.

The Positive:

-A 1% increase in college graduates in a community increases the wages of workers without a high school diploma by 1.9% and the wages of high school graduates by 1.6%

Challenges of First Generation Students

-Lack of Knowledge About College Experience

-Guilt

-Finances and Social Life

-Support From Home

-Fitting in on Campus



Key Factors in First Gen Success

- Reading Fluency
- Early Assessment
- Exposure to College Campuses
- Parental Support/Engagement
- Quiet Study Space
- Curricular/Co-curricular Involvement
- Social Exposure



Types of Colleges

-Community College

-State School-UC/CSU

-Private

-Out of State Public

-Liberal Arts



Community College

- Open Enrollment
- Lower Cost
- No ACT or SAT required
- Outstanding California System
- Articulation Agreements



State School-UC/CSU

-CSU

- LOTS of choices-sizes, locations, majors
- Lower in cost
- Federal and State Aid

-UC

- Diverse campuses
- More selective/Strong reputation
- Support programs for First Gen/Dreamers



Private

- Small Class Sizes
- Personal Attention
- Support Programs
- Full professors
- Scholarships



Out of State Public

-WUE Program Schools

-Honors Programs

-Could cost more!



Liberal Arts (and science!) College

- Flexibility to Change Majors
- Seminar Classes
- Professors Teaching
- Opportunities for Research



Important Factors In College Application Review:

-Transcript

-Test Scores

-Essays

-Recommendations

-Activities

-Interviews/Impressions

-Expressions of Interest



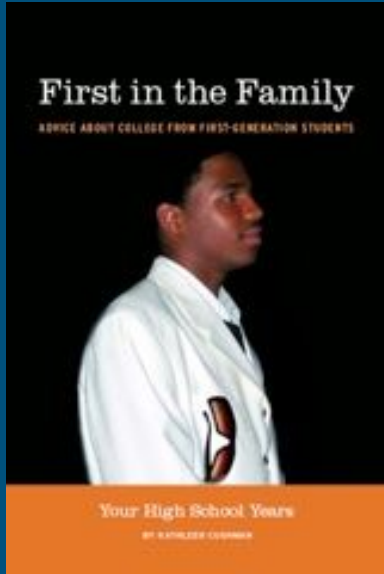
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You can start visiting colleges now!
There is every different type of
college campus within a 50 mile
radius from San Jose.

Cost

Don't eliminate a school on your list due to cost. Fill out a Net Price Calculator to see an estimated financial aid package.

Recommended Reading



www.imfirst.org

<https://nextgenpress.atavist.com/firstinthefamily-highschool>

Questions?