CONNECT WITH COLLEGES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

College Board research shows that students who are contacted by colleges receive, on average, **29% more offers of admission** and are **31% more likely to graduate on time** from a four-year institution.

What you do in high school – in and out of class – matters to colleges: it **introduces them to who you are**. There are several ways to get noticed by colleges, universities, and scholarship organizations.

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**GET TO KNOW INSTITUTIONS**

**Explore College Websites**
Visit college websites to find academic, student life, and admissions information.

**Attend College Fairs**
College fairs are a great way to meet college reps, get important information, and ask questions.

**Visit Campus**
Sign up for virtual information sessions and tours, and if you can, plan a visit on-campus.

**Join College-Prep Events:**
Participate in college-preparation events organized by your school district, local colleges, or college access organizations.

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**LET INSTITUTIONS GET TO KNOW YOU**

**Download BigFuture® School**
This year, there is a new way for students who take in-school assessments to get their test scores and engage in college and career exploration: the BigFuture School mobile app. Students 13 and over who take the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or SAT School Day can use the BigFuture School app to:
- View their scores;
- Access customized career information and guidance about planning and paying for college; and
- Opt-in to **Connections™** – a new feature to engage with nonprofit colleges, scholarship and educational organizations – all without sharing any personal information.

**Join Student Search Service**
Opting into Student Search Service by creating an account at cb.org/studentsearch, building a college list through BigFuture, and prepping for assessments are just some of the ways to show colleges that you’re interested in starting a conversation.

**Open Doors Through Assessments**
Show up and do your best on college readiness assessments. These are one of the main ways colleges find students, and your score information can connect you to careers and majors that might be a good fit.