COLLEGE RESEARCH PROJECT

Name of College:

_____________________

Name ______________________

Period ____

Glue the college’s logo inside this box
Directions

Choosing a college can be a daunting task. The purpose of this activity is to give you the opportunity to research a 4-year college that you may consider applying to during your senior year in high school. Waiting until your senior year to research colleges is not wise. You will be overwhelmed. The application process for colleges begins for the Cal State system in October and for the U.C. system in November. Private schools typically begin accepting applications in December. As you might imagine, there won’t be much time for researching colleges your senior year. You will be too busy applying to colleges.

If you know the name of the college you wish to research, you can do a Google search with the name of the college and then click on the college’s website. You may also visit http://www.collegeboard.org/ and click the “College Search” tab. Then type in the name of your college in the “College QuickFinder” search box. Use the information provided on this website and the college’s own website to answer the questions on the following pages.

Inside this box, glue of a picture of the college campus
1. Traveling by car, how far away from home is this college? _____ miles

2. Traveling by car, how far away from home is this college?
   ___ hours ___ minutes

3. Based on how far away from home your college is, would you live on campus or commute each day?  □ Live on campus  □ Commute

4. What major city is this college located in or near? ______________________

5. Near the college, what is there to do for fun?
   ________________________________________________________________
   ________________________________________________________________

6. How many undergraduate students (students working on a bachelor’s degree) attend your college? ______________________

7. How many graduate students (students working on a master’s degree or higher) attend your college? ______________________

8. Add together the number of undergraduate and graduate students. What size school is this?
   □ Small (fewer than 2,000 students)   □ Medium (2,000 – 15,000 students)
   □ Large (more than 15,000 students)

9. How large is the campus? ______ acres

10. Is this college private or public? : □ private □ public

11. This college is for: □ co-eds (males & females) □ males □ females
Inside this box, glue of a map of the college campus

Inside this box, glue a picture of the dorms or other student housing facilities
Admission & Academics

1. Which test(s) are required for admission? (Check all that apply)
   □ SAT Scores _________  □ ACT Score _________  □ No tests are required
   □ Other test(s): ____________________________
   □ College admissions essay required

2. Is there a minimum grade point average (G.P.A.) required?
   □ Yes  □ No  If yes, what is the required G.P.A.? _____

3. What is the average G.P.A. of the applicants who are accepted? _____

4. Of all the students who apply to this college, what percent of applicants are accepted? _____%

5. How much is the application fee? $____.

6. What career do you want after graduating from college?
   ____________________________________________________________

7. Does this college have a major that fits your chosen career? □ Yes  □ No
   If you answered yes, list the major here: _______________________
   If you answered no, you may consider researching a different college that has the major you will need for your chosen career.

8. How many students are there to every faculty member (student to faculty ratio)?
   _____ students to every 1 faculty member

9. What is the average or typical class size? _____ students
1. Go to [http://www.studentsreview.com/](http://www.studentsreview.com/) and find the search box entitled “Search for University”. Type in the name of your college. Click “go”. Then answer the questions below:

What was the overall grade of the college? _____
What was the grade of the education quality? _____
What was the grade of the social life? _____
What was the grade of the extracurricular activities? _____
What was the grade of the surrounding city? _____

Inside this box, glue a picture of an extracurricular activity, social activity, or sport
College Expenses

1. How much is tuition per year for undergraduates? $______.____
2. How much does it cost for books and supplies per year? $______.____
3. How much does it cost to live on campus in the dorms? $______.____
4. Are there any additional fees? If so, write them on the line $______.____
5. What is the total cost per year to attend if you live on campus? (add up the numbers you wrote down for questions 1-5) $______.____

Financial Aid

1. When is the deadline for applying for financial aid? ______________________
2. What percentage of students receive financial aid? _____%
3. List some scholarships that are available to students:
   _______________________________________________________________
   _______________________________________________________________
4. List some other types of financial aid that is available to students:
   _______________________________________________________________
   _______________________________________________________________

Activities

1. List some activities, clubs, sports, or organizations that are of interest to you:________________________________________________________
1. What types of student housing are available to students? (Check all that apply)
   - Same sex dorms
   - Co-ed dorms
   - Apartments
   - Family housing
   - Other: _______________________________________________________

2. Do freshmen have to purchase a meal plan? □ Yes □ No

3. Do freshmen have to live on campus? □ Yes □ No

4. If you choose to live in the dorms, what are your options? (Check all that apply)
   - 1 student per room
   - 2 students per room
   - 3 students per room
   - Other: _______________________________________________________

Facilities

1. List at least five academic facilities (buildings) on campus
   ________________________________________________________________
   ________________________________________________________________

2. List at least three academic resources available on campus to help you if you need them.
   ________________________________________________________________
   ________________________________________________________________

3. List at least three recreational (fun) facilities on campus:
   ________________________________________________________________
   ________________________________________________________________