

Simplify Homeschool

Description of Service Package Options

Freshman to College Package

High School Planning

- An initial meeting of approximately one hour to discuss educational history, goals, and current needs. Each year's planning will include everything detailed in the "Homeschool Planning Package" listed below.
- A subsequent sophomore, junior and senior year planning session with parent and student. We send follow-up notes and specific suggestions following each session
- Up to 3 additional check-in meetings as needed during each school year to fine-tune suggestions or make changes
- Support on gathering letters of recommendation from appropriate teachers as needed for college applications
- Suggestions for school year and summer activities to support interests and goals

College Counseling Support for the Student

- Review of all student documents to help determine best college fit
- Guidance about test preparation choices, such as which tests (SAT, ACT, etc) to prepare for and how much time to devote to test preparation
- College search support and research geared toward the student's needs and interests
- One on one with the student to explore college list, to include all the aspects of the "College List Package" detailed below
- Guidance on up to 10 applications, including all aspects of the application
- Essay guidance on up to 10 applications, including group meetings to learn about the essay process and at least one individual meeting for brainstorming and detailed feedback
- A meeting to cover interview preparation, as needed
- Ongoing email support throughout the college application period
- Up to 5 hours of additional live meetings to discuss college list, applications, interviews, or essays
- Guidance and reminders of deadlines and suggestions of how to connect with colleges
- A meeting and support with final college choices

College Counseling Support for the Parent

- College search support and research geared toward the parents' needs, including basic guidance about financial aid and merit aid
- Support creating the following documents: Student transcript, Student course descriptions, School profile, Counselor letter, and Midyear report to include everything detailed in the "College Paperwork Package" below
- Guidance and reminders of deadlines
- Up to 2 additional meetings to discuss the parent counselor role and review documents, college choices, or practically walkthrough document submission or questions
- Support with final college choices

- Issuing GPA. We can help calculate the student's GPA, but ultimately you should also calculate the GPA as you are responsible for validating it.

Does not include:

- Contacting colleges or schools as needed to ask questions in the role of the student's counselor
- Submission of documents
- FAFSA and/or CSS Profile specific support
- Guaranteed financial aid or scholarships from colleges
- Submission of applications
- Test specific preparation
- Scholarship search
- Guaranteed admissions at any college or university

Homeschool Planning Package

- Review of transcripts or other documents that list previous years' course of study or educational history
- A meeting of approximately one hour to discuss previous curricula and coursework, goals, and learning styles
- A shared document with a list of specific, linked options (curricula, textbooks, online courses, dual enrollment, etc.) for each subject to be covered along with a reason for suggesting each option
- General suggestions for implementation and any other key information for making choices
- Follow up email support to answer any questions about options

College Paperwork Package

- Document creation for the transcript, course descriptions, and school profile based on the parent's records, based on discussion of how to best present the student
- Templates for the creation of the three documents
- Guidance and discussion of the counselor letter
- Revision and a detailed review of all four documents
- GPA calculation assistance, but parents are ultimately responsible for validating the GPA and signing all documents
- A meeting to finalize the documents
- Guidance on how to upload the documents in the Common App

College List Package

- Use of our subscription-based list management software, Maia Learning
- An initial meeting to discuss college goals and list, followed by up to four additional half hour meetings to refine the list
- Research and suggestions for specific colleges and programs
- Guidance on how to research colleges and where to visit
- Note that students must agree to include at least two safety/likely schools on their college list.

College Essay Package

- Guidance on up to 5 essays, including the personal statement and supplemental or scholarship essays of the student's choice
- Detailed notes for revision of essays
- An initial meeting to discuss brainstorming and essay topics
- Up to 2 hours of addition meetings as needed to revise and discuss other essay topics
- Note that students are responsible for the content of their essays. Revision does not include rewriting.