Navigating
A COLLEGE FAIR
Take advantage of this opportunity!

Using the notes section on the back of this pamphlet, write down at least five schools you want to talk with and then take notes about significant items you want to remember! Visit EducationPlanner.org to explore hundreds of careers, colleges and financial aid opportunities.

Make eye contact with exhibitors! These representatives are here to help you and answer any questions you may have. Introduce yourself, tell them which high school you’re attending and what major you’re interested in studying.

Take all information offered to you! You can sort through it later—and your parent/guardian may be interested in taking a look as well (especially as it relates to costs and how to pay).

Be open-minded! If you have time, take advantage of being able to ask more questions or explore more schools. There are so many options. Don’t limit yourself!

Look for information from the military or community organizations! This may include scholarships, service programs or financial aid. You will eventually have to figure out how to pay—so gather as much information as you can!

After the college fair, review all of the materials and follow-up with the schools you’re interested in if you have any further questions.

Sample Questions to Ask:

1. What majors do you offer? Which have the best job placement rates?
2. What do you look for in a student at your school (grades, test scores, activities)?
3. What is the total cost of your school; including tuition, room/board and fees?
4. What type of housing is available? Is it guaranteed?
5. How do I schedule a campus visit?
6. What are the deadlines for applying for admittance and financial aid?
7. How much does your average graduate borrow?
8. Do you offer merit based aid? Do you offer scholarships?
9. How does your school count outside scholarships? Will your school grants/scholarships be reduced?
10. What percentage of your students graduate on time?
11. What companies recruit your graduates?
12. What programs or offices help with job placement at your school?

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