



MACHE 2009 Annual Conference Saturday Workshops

Workshop: Homeschooling the College Bound: Successfully
Navigating the Road to Admissions

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Session: IV **Time:** 9:00 AM

If your child's post-high school plans include college, you'll want to carefully plan out his high school years. This seminar will provide you with tips and resources to help you better understand how you can prepare your high schooler for the challenges of college, as well as aid you in helping him select and apply to colleges as a homeschooled student. You'll receive information on making the most of a college visit, interacting with college admissions officers, and gathering the information needed for the college application.

- I. Introduction
- II. Begin your planning
- III. Sample high school college prep programs
 - A. Types
 1. Average
 2. Strong
 3. Rigorous
 - B. Extracurricular activities
 - C. Outside classes
 1. Benefits
 2. Types
 - a. Distance learning
 - b. Community college
- IV. Testing
 - A. Types
 1. SAT
 2. ACT
 3. PSAT
 4. AP
 5. CLEP
 6. SAT II
 - B. Schedules
 - C. Preparation/resources
- V. Spiritual preparation
 - A. Worldview
 - B. Personal manifesto
 - C. Church attendance
 - D. Pre-deciding

- VI. College search parameters
 - A. Size
 - B. Majors
 - C. Location
 - D. Secular/Christian
 - E. Cost
 - F. Proximity to churches

- VII. College application
 - A. Deadlines
 - B. Application process
 - 1. Personal and educational info
 - 2. Campus interview
 - 3. Transcript
 - 4. Test scores
 - 5. Residency
 - 6. Letters of recommendation
 - 7. Guidance counselor section
 - 8. Essays

- VIII. Campus visits
 - A. Tour
 - B. Housing
 - C. Meals
 - D. Classes
 - E. Admissions officer interview
 - F. Campus ministries
 - G. Local churches

- IX. Alternative programs
 - A. Dual enrollment
 - B. Distance learning
 - C. Credit by examination
 - D. Portfolio assessment

Resource Listing

General HSLDA Links

Home School Legal Defense Association

www.hsllda.org

HSLDA's Homeschooling Thru High School webpages

www.hsllda.org/highschool

For HSLDA members:

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High School Email Newsletter Links

To sign up for future free monthly Homeschooling Thru High School email newsletters:

www.hsllda.org/highschool

Past newsletters on this topic:

Transcripts, GPA Calculations

<http://www.hsllda.org/elert/archive/2005/11/20051110163649.asp>

Recordkeeping <http://www.hsllda.org/elert/archive/2005/12/20051201101729.asp>

Newsletter archives on other high school topics:

<http://www.hsllda.org/highschool/newsletter.asp>

Transcript Sample Forms

<http://www.hsllda.org/highschool/academics.asp#transcripts>

College Links

“Preparing for College” article <http://www.hsllda.org/docs/nche/000000/00000019.asp>

College Board Website www.collegeboard.com

The Common Application www.commonapp.org

College Search Engines

College Board (see College Quickfinder and College Matchmaker)

www.collegeboard.com

Christian College Mentor www.christiancollegementor.org

Peterson's Guide www.petersons.com

College Credit Links

AP or CLEP

www.collegeboard.com

http://www.hsllda.org/highschool/curriculum.asp#advanced_placement

College Tests Links

ACT www.act.org

SAT www.collegeboard.com

SAT II Subject Tests www.collegeboard.com

Financial Aid Links

FAFSA www.fafsa.ed.gov
Smart Student Guide www.finaid.org
Profile <https://profileonline.collegeboard.com>

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HSLDA Newsletter on Financial Aid

<http://www.hslda.org/elert/archive/2006/02/20060202151152.asp>

Alternative College Path Resources

College Without Compromise, Scott & Kris Wightman

Thomas Edison College, NJ www.tesc.edu

Excelsior College, NY www.excelsior.edu

Charter Oak State College, CT www.cosc.edu

Home School Legal Defense Association's High School Brochures

<http://www.hslda.org/highschool/brochures.asp>

- Developing a High School Plan brochure
- Recordkeeping for High School brochure
- Homeschooling the College Bound: Successfully Navigating the Road to Admissions
- It's Off to Work We Go: Homeschooling for the Marketplace, the Home Front, or the Military
- Keeping on Track: A Timeline for High School