



Preparing for the Northern Virginia Regional College Fair

ASK YOURSELF:

1. Academics

- ◆ What are my interests?
- ◆ What are my strengths in school?
- ◆ What areas do I need to work on?

2. Financial Aid

- ◆ What resources does my family have for college now?
- ◆ What do I need to be able to pay for college?

3. Campus Environment

- ◆ How do I learn best?
In large classes? Small classes?
Independently? In a group?
- ◆ Where do I want to live?
In a city? In a small town?
In a college dormitory? At home?
- ◆ How do I think life will be different in college?

ASK THE COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVE:

1. Academics

- What kind of programs do you offer in (name an area that interests you)?
- What are your most popular majors?
- What does your college look for in a successful applicant?
- Does your college require SAT I/ACT and/or SAT II test results?
- What type of opportunities are there for internships/work experience and study abroad?

2. Financial Aid

- What kind of merit and need-based scholarships are available? What are the eligibility requirements?
- Do you fund 100% of the student's financial need?

3. Campus Environment

- What is the size of your student body? What is the male/female ratio? Ethnic groups?
- What is the average class size?
- What do students do on weekends?
- How available are faculty? What are typical office hours?
- How is your institution unique? What distinguishes it from other colleges?
- What are some popular campus traditions?