

Notes for Transcript Activity for Sophomores:

Review what college admission counselors are looking for on a transcript:

- Grade Point Average - 4 or 12 pt scale, weighted/unweighted, Core GPA?
- Testing info - SAT or ACT if early in fall have they taken the PSAT or scheduled to take the SAT
- Strength of schedule VS Diploma Type
- School profile - what is it and what does it tell them

Put students into 11 groups (2-3 per group). If a smaller class, eliminate a couple of schools to review.

Give each student the Admission Criteria chart that they are to complete using their Naviance account by searching for the college. They will find this information in the Admission tab. Remind them that this information comes from the middle 50% admitted this past year so that doesn't mean it is the minimum they must have to be admitted.

Each group is a committee for a college to determine admission. Give each committee their record sheet and one set of the 6 transcripts. They are to decide if they will be accepted, denied or wait listed. They must give reasons for their decision. They may use the Admission Criteria chart as a reference.

Let the students work until about 15 minutes left in the class. Go through each transcript and let each "committee" respond as to whether or not the student would have been admitted to their school and give the reasons why.

At the end of the period, hand out copies of transcripts to all of the students in the class so they can review this same information and see what their transcript looks like.