

Lesson 2:

Destination: College

Understanding how to effectively research colleges can be difficult. Set your students up for success and prepare them with an interactive experience to promote great college conversations.

Student Learning Objective:

Become familiar with questions to ask while researching colleges

1. Divide class into regional teams.
 - a. north, west, south, east
2. Assign each team three participating CollegeWeekLive colleges to research in their region.
3. Brainstorm with the class on what type of information is needed in order to make an informed decision on what college to attend.
 - a. Record their answers on the board.
 - b. Introduce students to CollegeWeekLive's "Top 100 Questions to Guide you to the Perfect College" sheet.
4. Have students log in to **CollegeWeekLive.com**.
5. Allow time for students to research chosen school by text or video chatting with their admissions counselors.
6. Ask the students to regroup with their teams and, as a group, select one of their assigned schools as their presentation topic.
7. Allow time for students to prepare presentations. Encourage creativity.
8. Allow time for presentations and class questions.
9. Debrief with students to express the importance of actively listening.
10. Encourage students to use what they learned and log in to CollegeWeekLive.com to engage with college representatives.

Materials You'll Need:

1. Reserved computer lab
2. Top 100 Questions to Guide you to the Perfect College Worksheet

Standards:

Standard A: Students will acquire the knowledge and skills that contribute to effective learning in school.

A:A2 Acquire Skills for Improving Learning

A:A2.1 Apply time-management and task-management skills

A:A2.2 Demonstrate how effort and persistence positively affect learning

Source: American School Counselor Association. ASCA National Standards for Students. Alexandria, VA: Author.

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