

Public vs. Private: Differences in college access and financial aid resources

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What is the college-going culture at each school?

	Public Prep	Public Magnet	Private Co-ed	Private Single Sex
# of students served	639	1049	830	520
College Counselor to student ratio	1:639	1/3:1049	12:830	2:520
College-going rate	64%	81%	99%	99%
Designated College center?	Yes	Yes	No	No
# of college prep/ outreach programs	5/4	3/4	1/0	1/0

What does academic preparation look like?

	Public Prep	Public Magnet	Private Co-ed	Private Single sex
# of AP courses	12	16	32 * all students take AP English	27
SAT above 1000	26%	17%	95%	93%
Graduation rates	87%	77%	99%	100%

What about financial aid? I

Public Prep	Public Magnet	Private Co-ed	Private Single sex
College rep. visits	College rep. visits	College rep. visits	College rep. visits
College night-all grade levels	Back to school night	College trips	College trips
Financial aid night	Financial aid night	College night-per grade level	College night-per grade level
FAFSA workshop	FAFSA assistance	Financial aid night	Financial aid night
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What about financial aid? II

Public Prep	Public Magnet	Private Co-ed	Private Single sex
Student- initiated for 9 th , 10 th , and 11 th grade	Student- initiated for 9 th , 10 th , and 11 th grade	Fall/Spring student & parent meetings 10 th - 12 th grade	Fall/Spring student & parent meetings 10 th - 12 th grade
Senior check-in	Senior check-in	Monthly student meetings	Monthly student meetings
Newsletter		Individual websites for students	Student website
		Parent website	Parent website

What are the main differences?

- Access to information
- Personal service