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ONLINE COLLEGE & SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION SOURCES

While the guidebooks described in the previous section can certainly provide cadets with a wealth of information, there is no better source of up to date, timely, interactive information than what you can find online. In addition to the websites maintained by almost every college, the following listing contains sites that students have found very helpful in their searches:

Helpful websites:

<https://www.collegeboard.org>: Website for the College Board with a wealth of information and services; Contains information about PSAT 8/9, PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, SAT Subject Tests, and AP testing opportunities.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>: A good source for searching for colleges, getting information about scholarships and financial aid, and for exploring careers.

<https://www.niche.com>: Offers rankings, report cards, and in-depth profiles of thousands of colleges and universities.

<https://collegescorecard.ed.gov>: A site where viewers can compare/contrast schools based on a variety of factors.

<http://www.campustours.com>: Locate colleges, take college tours, view campus maps and enjoy web cam videos.

<https://www.petersons.com>: Provides links to information about colleges, summer programs, and study abroad programs; allows you to search for specific schools and provides college test preparation.

<http://www.princetonreview.com>: This site offers good test prep information, admissions tips, and college and university information.

<http://www.collegeview.com>: This company is one of the leaders in bringing technology to bear on college counseling. It allows the user to search colleges and universities for certain criteria.

<http://www.collegequest.com>: This site offers a free match service for trade schools and colleges by state.

<http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator>: This is a federal website that purports to contain more data on the nation's colleges and universities than any place else on the internet.

<https://www.commonapp.org>: This site provides access to more than 600 member colleges through one platform.

<http://college-insight.org>: Allows the user to browse and compare information about affordability, diversity and student success.

<https://www.unigo.com>: Information on this site is provided by students themselves about their college of choice and offers student comments, photos, and videos.

<http://www.mycollegeoptions.org>: This site provides college suggestions based exclusively on your profile.

<http://www.naviance.com>: Provides a means for documenting progression toward college acceptance, as well as providing a means for college and career searches.

<http://www.nacacnet.org>: Designed for college admission counselors, this site provides a “Student & Parent” link that holds countless helpful resources to help navigate the college selection process.

<http://www.gocollege.com>: A resource to guide students on how to finance and succeed in college. This site offers a section on “College Survival”.

<http://www.collegexpress.com>: Provides tools for college search, scholarship search, summer programs, and for finding lists and rankings.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Information:

<https://fafsa.ed.gov>: U.S. Department of Education website that provides information about the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA).

<http://www.nslc.org>: The National Student Clearinghouse for college loan information.

<http://www.finaid.org>: Free, comprehensive, independent, and objective guide to student financial aid.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college>: A link on the College Board website that lays out steps for securing financial aid and scholarships.

<http://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/paying-for-college/financial-aid-101>: Informative article with basic steps for applying for and securing financial aid.

<https://myscholly.com/>: Comprehensive and constantly curated scholarship database delivers a verified and personalized list of scholarships.

<https://www.raise.me/>: Earn “micro-scholarships” from colleges from achievements as early as 9th grade.