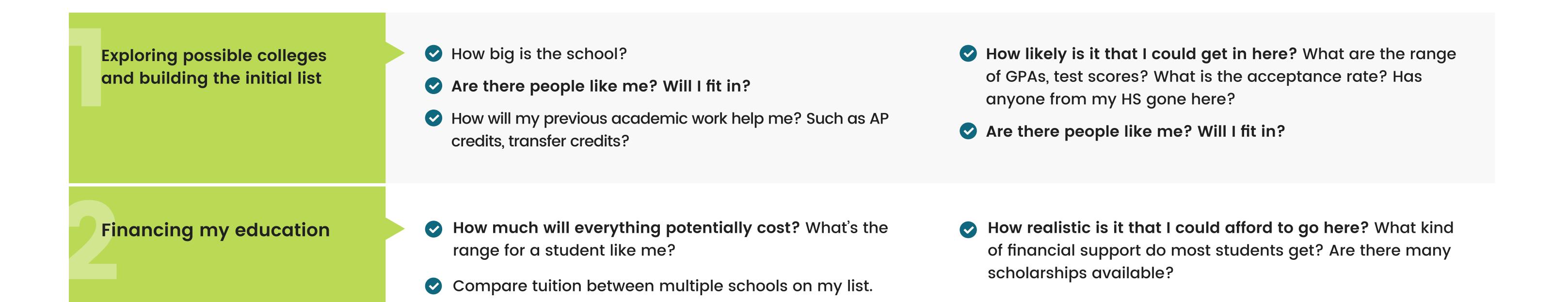
Admissions and Financial Aid Red Routes

These are the user goals that show up consistently in our research. None of them should be ignored, but we've we've put the ones we consider critical in bold. What's a red route? Learn about them at https://insidenewcity.com/make-admissions-cost-financial-aid-accessible-and-easy



Meeting people from a college, inquiring, investigating	 I have a question about something related to admissions or academics. Who should I contact? Will you be visiting my high school, or any college fairs close to me?
Visiting campus	 Sign up for a campus visit / tour. What should we expect during our visit? What will the day be like? Contact my tour guide with follow up questions. Figure out what else we want to see and do while we're visiting. Figure out where to park, getting a parking pass, navigating the campus.
Deciding where to apply and applying	 Compare total cost of attendance between the schools I want to apply to. How can I get help with any of this? What are the deadlines I need to know about? These can vary depending on the program or school, with special requirements for certain programs like honors or arts. How much does it cost to apply? Is there any way to have the fee waived? What do I have to have ready when I do my application? (i.e. transcripts, references, essays) Create an account on the application portal. Fill out the application, which may require multiple sessions.

What is the status of my application? When should I expect

For some schools it could affect your chances of acceptance or of receiving financial aid.

Understanding the FAFSA Applying for financial aid

When does the FAFSA have to be done?

Is there any benefit from applying earlier?

When will I hear if I qualify for financial aid? Especially if I've been admitted, but haven't received my financial aid offer yet.

Access the Admitted Students portal.

- Compare offers and total cost of attendance between my top choice schools.
- Verify affordability against financial aid offer. Is this really in our budget?
- Look for on-campus employment opportunities that would offset costs (or if I've qualified for work study).
- Make deposit.
- Accept financial aid offer and student loans.

Preparing to start (this stuff can get very transactional - don't take students for granted!)

Set up my student account, email.

- Find checklist of stuff I need to do before school starts.
- Plan for and attend orientation.

Connect with my roommate.

- Register for classes.
- Pay tuition (which may mean helping my parents figure out how to pay tuition).

Comparing offers and making a decision

and scholarships



Where are the best places to search for scholarships?

Are there any scholarships specific to my major?

How can I get help with any of this?

Attend preparatory events for my degree program.

Housing contracts and meal plan selections.

Plan for move-in, when to show up, where to park, how to get our stuff from vehicle to housing.

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