



The College & Career Newsletter

1. Parents, let's talk testing

In this [three minute clip](#), you'll hear from **Adam Ingersoll**, founder of Compass Education Group, about the role you'll play during this process. He has some great tips on timing, being mindful of not overdoing it, and allowing students to take ownership of the process.

If you've got a little bit more time, check out the half hour [seminar](#) with expert **Peter Osgood**, **Director of Admissions at Harvey Mudd College**. You'll learn about:

- Determining which test is right for your student
- Assessing if your student's scores will be competitive at a particular institution
- How testing is linked to scholarship opportunities

Need a testing plan? Don't know what that is?  [Here's a guide.](#)

2. College Search for LGBTQ+ Students

Dana Lambert, School Counselor at West Milford High School, has some solid suggestions on [what to look out for](#) during college visits to help you get a sense of the community. Plus, **Shane Windmeyer**, creator of the **Campus Pride Index**, tells you about the LGBTQ Scholarship Database.

For LGBTQ students, [having a place on campus to support](#) and celebrate your identity is vital. Our expert **Brandon Haddock**, Student Services Coordinator at **Kansas State University**, shares his insights on the ways an LGBTQ center can help foster a sense of belonging.

3. Transferring from a Two to Four Year College

Starting at a two-year college and then transferring to a four-year school can be an affordable way to earn a bachelor's degree. **Matt McClendon** of the University of Alabama discusses some of the [factors you need to keep in mind](#) if you're considering this path.

Plus, [hear from Robert Springall](#), former Executive Director of Undergraduate Admissions at The Pennsylvania State University, about why it's important to not stop the college search once you're at a two year institution.