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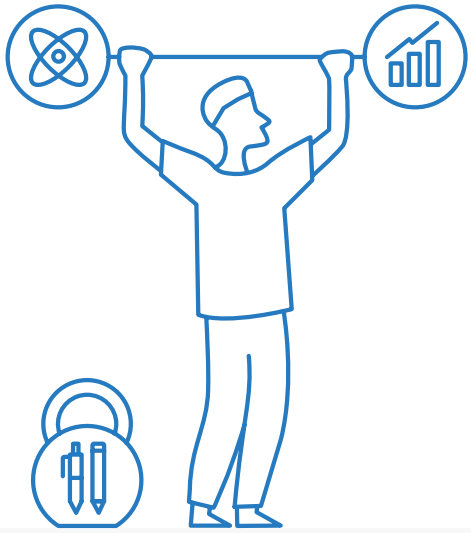

Brag sheet

Student questionnaire for counselor letter of recommendation

Brag sheets are a way for you to help your counselor and teachers write letters of recommendation. These forms give them more insight into who you are outside of school and your interests. Fill out these forms, and share them with your counselor and teachers when you ask them for a letter of recommendation!

This form is for students to fill out.

Complete this form to help your counselor write a letter of recommendation on your behalf. Keep in mind, the more specific the details you can give, the more personal and effective your recommendation will be.

Student's first and last name

What first name would you like your counselor to use in their letters?

What pronouns would you like your counselor to use in their letter?

Student's cell number

Student's email address

List three adjectives you would use to describe yourself.

What do you like to do for fun?

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List your major activities in school.
Include what grade(s) you have participated (9,10,11,12, other) and any leadership positions, honors, and/or awards received.

List your major activities outside of school.
Consider things like clubs, sports, work, community service, hobbies, and family responsibilities. Include what grade(s) you have participated (9,10,11,12, other) and any leadership positions, honors, and/or awards received.

What events, experiences and/or people in your life have had the greatest influence on making you the person you are today?

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Describe your academic strengths.
Do you believe your academic record is an accurate reflection of your ability? If not, please explain why.

What majors or careers are you considering?

Do you have any particular college preferences your counselor should know about?

School size

- ☐ Small (<2,000 students)
- ☐ Medium (2,000-15,000 students)
- ☐ Large (>15,000 students)
- ☐ Doesn't matter

Campus setting

- ☐ Urban
- ☐ Suburban
- ☐ Rural
- ☐ Doesn't matter

Type of school

- ☐ Public
- ☐ Private
- ☐ HBCU
- ☐ HSI

Geographic

Cities

States

Regions

Countries

Proximity to home

Other (please describe)

What colleges have you visited (in person or virtually) and what were your impressions?

What colleges are you considering applying to?

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What excites you about going to college?

What is something your counselor probably doesn't know about you?

Additional information.
Use this space to share any additional information with your counselor. Is there anything not already stated that you want to make sure they know prior to writing your letter of recommendation? What hopes do you have for your college experience?

Thank you for taking the time to share this important information with your counselor!

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