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Independent School Student Questions

Please answer these questions to the best of your ability prior to our first meeting. Please also email, fax, or mail in copies of your school transcripts and comments, testing reports (ISEE, SSAT, ERB, PSAT, SAT, ACT, TOEFL, etc.), and any other information that you think would be helpful, at least a day or two in advance, to the Westport office address. Thanks!

Your Name: Nickname, if any:
Parent 1 Name: Parent 2 Name:
Your Home Address: Home Telephone: Your Preferred E-mail: Cell Phone/Text Number: Skype/FaceTime/GoogleHangouts, if any:
Your Current School: Your Grade/Year:
Your Date of Birth:
Names, Ages, and School/College attending of Brothers and Sisters:
Your Academic Background
What classes are you taking in school, and what are your approximate grades?
If you have taken any of these standardized tests, please list all your scores (and dates taken): ISEE: SSAT: PSAT: SAT: SAT Subject Tests: ACT Aspire: ACT: AP: TOEFL: IELTS: Other:

Academic honors and recognition:

What are some of your favorite classes and teachers? Why?

What kind of a student are you? What do you consider your academic strengths and weaknesses? Do you think your transcript and teacher/counselor reports accurately reflect your academic abilities?

How challenging a workload do you think you have now in school?

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How much more or less challenging an academic environment do you think you want in a new school?

Your Current Interests and Activities:

What are your most important hobbies and activities? Please indicate how long you have been involved in them, awards or special recognition, leadership positions, and their relative importance to you:

School clubs and other non-athletic activities:

School and non-school sports:

Volunteer and community service:

Work and internships:

Personal hobbies and interests:

Summer programs (camps, school or college programs, etc.):

Are any of these activities particularly important for you in your school or longer-term college planning? Would you like to pursue one or more of them at a higher level? Which?

Your School Goals and Interests

What type of school do you prefer? Independent (private) Day School? Boarding School? Public School? Why?

What kind of school do you see yourself in? Given what you know about yourself and your current goals and priorities, please provide some idea of the kind of school experience you envision. It's OK if you're not sure what you want yet – that's part of the school search and admissions process! If you don't know, or don't care too much at this stage, feel free to say so.

Can you describe the kinds of students, teachers, classes, or other aspects of school life which you think would be important for you to do your best?

Where would you like to go to school? What states or regions in the U.S., or even other countries, are you interested in?

What kind of school setting do you prefer? Right in the city? A campus near the city? A small town or more rural campus?

How big is too big, or how small is too small? 1,000 students? 500? 200? Small, medium, large, very large?

Are you interested in schools that are Coeducational (boys and girls) or Single Sex, or would you consider both?

What type of campus atmosphere, students, and student culture would be right for you? A more conservative or traditional place? A more liberal or progressive environment? Balanced? What characteristics would you like to find? What kind of school do you see yourself in?

What characteristics would you like to avoid? What kind of school experience do you not want to have?

Are there any academic areas in which you are particularly interested right now?

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Are there any specific schools in which you are more interested at this time? Which ones and why?

Have you ruled out any schools? Which ones and why?

Have you visited any schools? Which ones, and what were your reactions?

Do you have any particular questions about schools or the independent school admissions process which you would like to discuss in our first meeting?

Tell me a little more about yourself. What else would you like to mention? Please feel free to discuss your personality, values, family, background, interests, aspirations, significant people in your life, challenges you have overcome, and so on: