Comprehensive College Planning & Test Prep

Pricing

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College Counseling & SAT Prep Combination Program

College Counseling & Software Package: $4,100.00

- Unlimited access to counseling staff and college application software

Elite Prep Course with College Counseling: $5,500.00

- Unlimited access to counseling staff and software with test prep access for 1 test

Unlimited Elite Prep with College Counseling: $6,600.00

- Unlimited access to counseling staff and software with test prep access for up to 3 tests

Payment plans are available. Contact USPA at admissions@GoUSPA.org for more details.

SAT Prep Courses

Elite Prep Course: $2,400.00

- Test prep for 1 test

Unlimited Elite Prep: $3,700.00

- Test prep for up to 3 tests

*Note: With the Post to Post - Soccer Pathways partnership, we are proud to offer a significant discount on our programs. Industry standards are typically double these prices. USPA will not nickel-and-dime families for additional support. We don't want you counting minutes while preparing for such an important step in life. Pricing includes access to counselors throughout the entire admissions process.

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USPA College Prep Program Features

- Up to 8 months of access to a to dedicated college counselor focused on college planning support in collaboration with Post to Post - Soccer Pathways coaches, parents, and USPA academic support staff.

- Access to USPA college application software to facilitate searches, school filtering, and overall

- A 2 month SAT prep course featuring 1, 2 hour course per week. Scheduled to run from June through August.

- A 2 month ACT prep course featuring 1 live course per week, each 2 hours long.

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USPA College Prep Benefits

- USPA assumes full responsibility and direct oversight of academic programming of all student-athletes affiliated with Post to Post - Soccer Pathways athletes.

- USPA assumes full responsibility for all academic staffing and instructional needs of student-athletes in the Post to Post - Soccer Pathways program.

- Parents and students have access to USPA college counselor's office.

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The USPA Team

A graduate of Westtown Friends School, Brennan E. Barnard earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and Spanish from Franklin & Marshall College and a master's degree in Higher Education and Student Affairs Administration from The University of Vermont. Brennan has worked as teacher, coach, admission officer, and student affairs administrator at a number of independent high schools and colleges. Brennan is the author of a column in Concord, New Hampshire's *Sunday Monitor* that helps parents and students navigate the sometimes confusing world of applying to college. In addition, he has been published multiple times in the *New York Times* and *Washington Post*. He not only writes about college admission, but also firefighting, mindfulness, and other topics.

He has presented on College Recommendation Writing, Athletic Recruiting in College Admission, Discipline Reporting in College Admission, and Spirituality in the Admission Process. Brennan has attended the Harvard Institute on College Admission, the PACAC and NEACAC Summer Counselors Institute as well as multiple other annual professional conferences. He regularly visits colleges throughout the United States and abroad. This father of two lives in Hopkinton, New Hampshire where he is also a volunteer firefighter.

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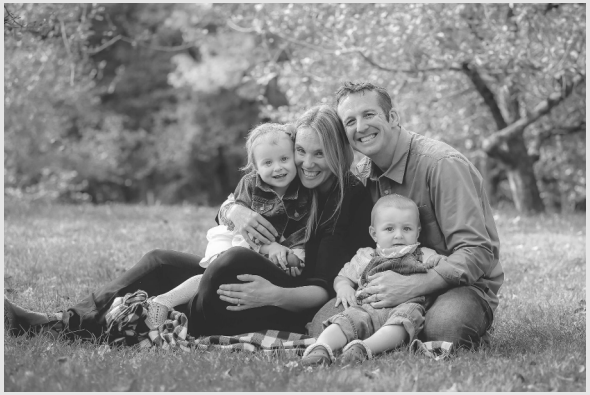
Kelly Farrell grew up on campus at a private school (Kimball Union Academy) in New Hampshire where her parents were both teachers. She was a competitive alpine ski racer and lacrosse player. She won the NEPSAC championships in alpine skiing two years in a row.

Kelly has worked in coaching and education for the past 15 years, starting her career with internships in the learning skills departments at both Cardigan Mountain School and The Berkshire School.

Following those internships, she moved out west and was the Director of College Counseling at Crested Butte Academy and later, Sugar Bowl Academy. She has worked with a variety of athletes with regards to their college processes.



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The Elite Prep Course

Our instructors create a unique approach that starts with your child's test date and then formulates an approach based on student needs. The courses will be taught over 8 full weeks with a 2 hour session offered in the evening each week leading up to your child's test date. They will be taught via video conferencing and provide your child with the following benefits:

- **Technology**: Accessible anywhere in the world.

- **Customized**: 1-on-1 or small group SAT/ACT/PSAT test prep, live in-person or video chat

- **Efficiency**: Because the New SAT and PSAT design and format are so similar to those of the ACT, one training will prepare students for all 3 exams.

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Unlimited & Ongoing Elite Prep Course

In working with families over the years, our team has observed that it often requires students take the test several times to realize their potential. In this course, students will have ongoing, continuous support for up to 3 complete test dates. Utilizing a review from each test to guide their preparation for the following tests.

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Comprehensive College Planning Program

1. An initial in-depth interview with the student and family to assess needs

· Comprehensive discussion with an opportunity for mutual evaluation and goal-setting

· Discussion of special/extenuating circumstances which may have bearing on college process

2. Collection and review of educational and personal histories, school records, and educational testing

· Thorough assessment of student's profile, special skills, talents, and needs with regard to college process

· We ask to be provided with all transcripts, testing, and reports as they become available

3. Ongoing assessment to establish or clarify educational, athletic and personal goals

· Access to the SCOIR college planning software

· Assessment is enhanced through the use of YouScience program and assessment.

· Discussion regarding possible careers/college majors based on student's interests and skills

· Guidance on course selection, summer employment and programs, and extracurricular activities that will support and encourage the student's educational and personal success

· Support with the athletic recruitment process and coordination with coaching staff

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4. Identification and selection of appropriate colleges

Several lists may be developed and offered to the student/family during the process. They may include:

· A college visiting list(s) (specific to particular trip and purpose)

· A preliminary list of colleges to research

· A specialized programs list (pertaining to student's particular area of interest)

· A revised list(s) to emerge over time as student develops greater focus

- Our goal is to help the client craft a well-balanced final list with colleges in 3 categories: "Reach" (20% chance or less of acceptance), "Target" (50/50 chance or better), and "Likely" (80% chance or better)

- Guidance on Early Action/Early Decision/Rolling Admissions/Regular Decision plans

- If the student applies under an Early Application Plan, our expectation is that s/he complete all other applications as well

5. Development of a timetable for the application process

· Personalized timeline designed around student/family needs, goals, academic schedules, vacations, summer plans, and hig school and college requirements/deadlines

· Assistance in keeping to the timetable and achieving goals

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6. Preparation for, and insight into, effective school visits and interviews

· Formal interview preparation

· Materials will be provided to help student prepare for the interview

· **We do not contact colleges to set up visits** or interviews on behalf of the student

7. Guidance with standardized test planning

· Recommendations about which tests (SAT, ACT, AP, SAT Subject Tests) to take and when

· Access to test prep course and tutors offered as needed

· Assistance in interpretation of scores relative to colleges of interest

8. Regular communication with students and parents throughout the application process

· On-going, regular, communication with students through meetings via Zoom or phone call.

· Communication will be made with parents informally and as needed

· Parents will be copied on emails sent to the student as appropriate or agreed upon

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9. Resource materials

· Materials created to inform, organize, and prepare the student and parents regarding key components of the process will be provided at the appropriate times during the process.

10. Assistance with the development of a personal resume which will be included in the student's application where appropriate

11. Assistance with completion of the Common Application, essay(s), and supplements

· Application assistance includes general discussion of recommendation letters, supplementary materials or portfolios, special requirements for individual applications, application strategy, and timelines

· Assistance in the development of the topic for the Personal Statement and supplemental essays

· In-depth critiques of application writing with particular attention given to choice of topic, style, tone, organization, grammar and other technical details

· Review of multiple drafts (within reason) to ensure final products reflect student's character, strengths, and abilities

· Review of student's completed application to minimize accidental errors

· **It is assumed the student will produce essays and all application materials on his/her own**

· **It is assumed the parent(s) will also review completed application to minimize errors**

that pertain to details beyond the knowledge of the college counselor

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Testimonials

"My daughter was averaging around 26 in practice tests prior to meeting Mr. A and after her sessions with him ended up getting a 31 in her first try of the ACT. It is not the score that mattered for me as much as I saw the level of confidence and poise that my daughter had as she neared the exams."

"...Easy scheduling fit to the student's available time outside of school, a personable attitude and method of communication and, most importantly, a practiced and proven teaching strategy."

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Additional Benefits

Utilizing our partnership with SCOIR college admissions software, your child will have full access to the following:

- See Colleges with multiple lenses based on campus life, interests, and degree programs.
- Cost of attendance. What does it really cost to attend a wide variety of schools based on your inputs.
- All in one place. Keep everyone on your college team informed and stay on track with multiple ways to schedule, communicate, and reach targeted groups.
- Streamline the recommendation and documentation process.
- Track all documentation and ensure you have the correct information landing in the right hands with the electronic delivery program.

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