

## **MSJA COUNSELING - JUNIOR PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name (completing questionnaire): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email & Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please type your responses to the questions below and submit via email by **Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** to Mr. Ryan Lattanze at [rllattanze@msjacad.org](mailto:rllattanze@msjacad.org). This information will aid counselors while assisting your daughter with college planning and in writing the counselor letter of recommendation. This questionnaire will be kept confidential and will not be shared outside of Guidance (your daughter will not see it). Do not worry about your writing style; it is your parental observations that are most important.

We especially appreciate your support of your daughter's progress this summer with the ongoing process of college research, visits (virtual/in-person), and applications. Your senior should return to school in September with a clearer fix on college preferences, with college applications and essays begun. Please reach out to your daughter's counselor with any questions during the college process (see below). We value your insight and welcome your participation in this process.

Thank you for your time and response!

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1. Describe your family. List other children, their ages, and colleges attended.
2. List parents' occupations and post-secondary education (colleges/graduate schools attended and degrees earned):
3. Has anyone else in your family attended Mount? If so, who and when? What influenced you to send your daughter to Mount?
4. Tell us about your family (individuals, history, cultural influences, special circumstances) - anything that would be helpful for us to know as we work with your daughter?
5. How would you describe the ideal college for your daughter in terms of location, size, competitiveness, programs of study, cost, activities, religious affiliation, and other characteristics? Are any of these items "non-negotiable?"
6. Paying for college concerns all parents. Do you think that you will be applying for need-based financial aid? Will cost be a determining factor in where your child applies or enrolls?
7. Are there any anecdotes that you could share which reveal your child's personal qualities, strengths and/or achievements?
8. Are there one or two major events that you see as turning points in your child's development? If so, please describe them and explain why you view them as "turning points."
9. Has your son or daughter faced any personal challenges or difficult experiences? (family situations, moves, illnesses, losses, etc.)
10. Are there particular colleges in which you have a strong interest and which you would like your daughter to seriously consider? Why? Does your daughter agree with your preferences?
11. Do you have any legacy or special connections at the above or other colleges which we should know about? If so, please describe them.
12. Is there anything in your child's educational background or development that needs explaining such as a medical setback, poor final grade, learning disability, language other than English spoken at home, foreign schooling, repeat year, etc.?
13. Is there anything else you wish to add that might help us be better advocates for your daughter? Please share any questions or concerns you have about the college admissions process and your daughter's plans.