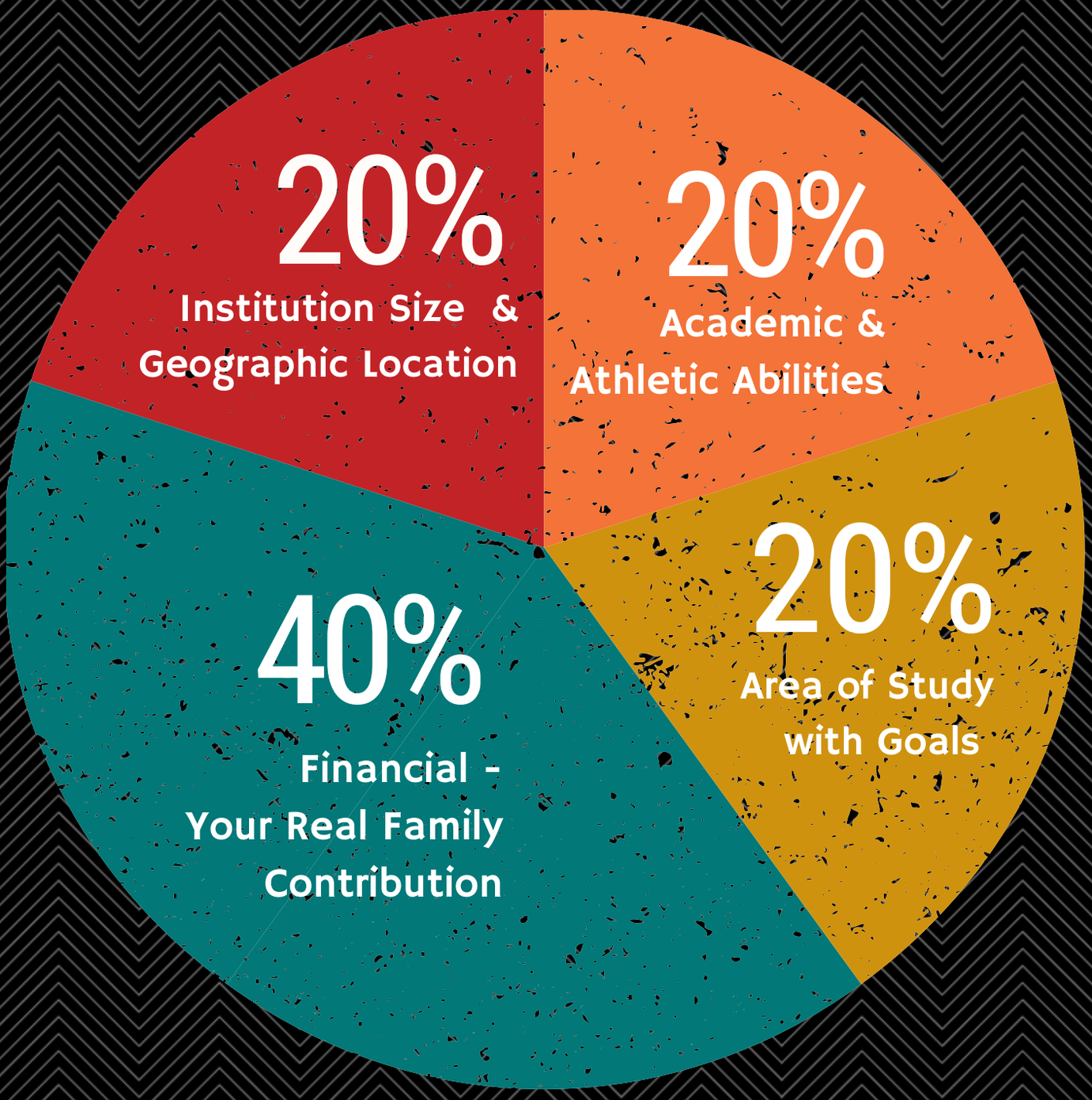
AROUND THE KITCHEN TABLE

A family discussion guide to aid in choosing the right school.



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20% Institution Size & Geographic Location

1. **Total enrollment <5K, >10K or 20K +?**

2. **Rural or Urban?**

3. **What about campus life?**
   What do you want your experience to include - greek life, outdoor adventures, variety of clubs & organizations , work?

4. **Distance from home & travel to and from college.**
   In case of emergency - how will your parents get to you?

5. **DI, DII or DIII - Which fits best?**
   Learn more at: http://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/Recruiting%20Fact%20Sheet%20WEB.pdf

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Academic & Athletic Abilities

1. **Will you be able to maintain a good GPA while playing a sport?**

2. **Will you need to go to summer school if you play a sport?**

3. **How will you manage your time?**

4. **Are you eligible?**

   Learn more at: http://www.ncaapublications.com/productdownloads/CBSA16.pdf

5. **Are you interested in other organizations other than playing a sport?**

   For example: honors program or greek life?

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Area of Study with Goals

1. **What career interests you?**
2. **Do you plan on studying abroad?**
3. **How about an internship?**
   Is it required for graduation or is it something that interests you?
4. **STEM, Liberal Arts or a little of both?**
   Google this question to learn more about the benefits of each.
5. **Will post-graduate studies be needed?**

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Financial - Your Real Financial Contribution

1. **What can you expect your salary to be upon graduation?**

2. **What money do you anticipate being awarded in scholarship or grants?**
   Athletic & Academic

3. **How much money do you anticipate needing as a student loan?**
   Per year and total cost.

4. **Don't forget about financial needs for post-graduate studies.**

5. **What lifestyle do you want beyond college?**
   Participate in this quick exercise for a deeper look into your financial future.
   http://pages.exacttarget.com/CGR_Infographic/

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FACTS!

More than 1,800 colleges have athletic programs and 94% of them are outside DI.

< 6% of eligible student athletes move on to play in college. Why? They're not doing what's necessary to be identified as a potential college athlete.

You need to work just as hard off the field in marketing yourself as you do on the field.

My College Game Report introduces you to 50 colleges that fit your personal interests and insight resulting from this Kitchen Table Discussion Guide.

My College Game Report also includes coach contact information for the 50 colleges.

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About The College Program

The College Program was started by Tim and James Twellman to identify significant trends within the households of families all across the country and create programs and services to help these families. As “social entrepreneurs” with an extensive background in sports and small business the Twellmans have operated successful businesses both in the St. Louis area and around the country. The College Program is no different.

Leveraging its connections in the sports world, The College Program, began as an outsourced college consulting business for families, teams and student athletes. However, in late 2012, they re-branded The College Program, to focus on all families and all students.

Overwhelmed by the cost of college and the plethora of options, families struggle to find the right college for their child. And more significantly, families are sending their children to schools that do not provide a realistic post-graduate outlook.

Inspired to help families make the right choice, Tim and James collaborated with local families to find out what would really help them make better choices. Through this work, My College Game Report was born – a report designed to help ALL families and ALL students understand their options and more importantly, to comprehend the financial magnitude of their decision.

My College Game Report helps families see their options more clearly. We believe that if every family could see their options, they would make the right choice for their family, their child and particularly, for their child’s post-graduate experience. Passionate, devoted and committed to creating social change.

The College Program will change the college outlook for all families. As father and son, Tim and James believe in the power of family and more importantly, in creating awareness and communication within all homes.

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