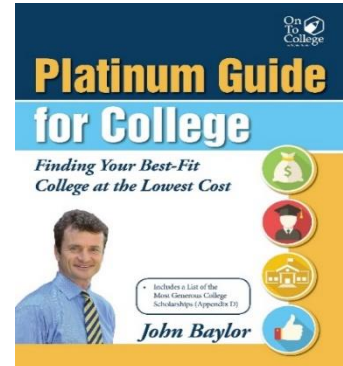
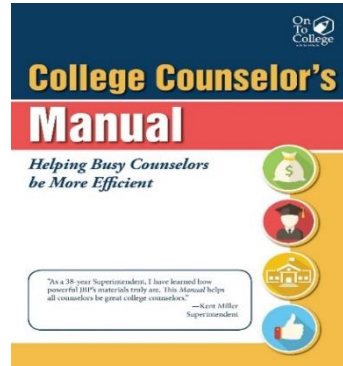
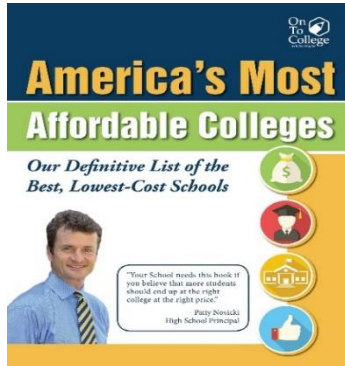


College Counseling System for Schools

The **OTC College Counseling System** is a high school counseling office's secret weapon for providing great college counseling to every student, even if student-to-counselor ratios exceed the national average of 482-to-1. This program helps counselors be more effective and efficient so that all students can find their best-fit college at the lowest cost. All books, videos, and other materials can be shared with students and parents in your counseling office, and/or via online access at home.



Video Collection

- Essay Strategies
- The College Visit
- Become a 2- or 4-year College Grad with Minimal Debt
- The 8 Questions for Choosing Your College
- The ACT vs. SAT
- Four-Year vs. Two-Year Colleges
- Eleven Tips to Maximize College
- Attending In-State Colleges

Financial Resources

- 529 College Savings & Prepaid Tuition Plans
- College Loans
- Deciphering Your Financial Aid Package
- FAFSA: What You Should Know
- Finding & Applying for Scholarships
- State Financial Aid Programs

College Affordability Plans (estimated annual tuition, merit-based academic scholarships and criteria for eligibility for major public, private and 2-year institutions, by state)

Family Action Plans (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior)

Parent Checklists (Middle School, Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior)

Student Timelines (Middle School, Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior)

College Planning Materials

- Academic Resume
- Admissions: How to Handle Being Waitlisted or Deferred
- Advanced Placement & International Baccalaureate Programs
- All Applicants Need a Financial Safety School
- Basic ACT & SAT Information
- CLEP (Credit by Examination)
- College Comparison Worksheet
- Community College Guide
- Dual Enrollment & Early College
- Early Decision & Early Action
- Effective Essay Writing
- Finding Your Best Fit College
- Guide to Successful College Visits
- Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs)
- International Options
- Internships
- Late Season Colleges
- National Merit Scholarship Program
- Recommendation Letters: How to Prepare, Write & Format (for educators)
- Recommendation Letters: Who, When & How to Ask (for students)
- Recommendation Request Form (Fillable PDF)
- SAT Subject Tests
- Should I Take the ACT or SAT?
- The True Cost of College
- University Honors Programs
- Websites with College Information for Families