

Student Response Form

January 2008

Dear Class of 2009,

An effective college search must begin with an honest self-assessment. The more you know about yourself and your needs, the better equipped you will be to make the important decisions that lie ahead. Therefore, please give thoughtful responses to the questions on this form.

Your college counselor will use the information you provide as the centerpiece of your first college counseling meeting. We will refine your interests to establish a list of colleges you will consider, which we will continue to fine-tune throughout the summer and fall semester.

In addition, the information contained here will be helpful as your college counselor writes your letter of recommendation, which will be sent to every school to which you apply, along with your transcript, the Holton profile, and Holton's "Secondary School Report" (SSR) form. We need to know about your activities, family background, academic highlights, your passions, and anything else that might be relevant to your college applications.

Please answer each question as honestly as you can. If there is not sufficient space for your answer, please use the reverse side or an attached sheet. Feel free to type your responses. You may obtain an additional copy of the Information Form on the Holton-Arms School web site. Your responses must be legible. You should make a copy for your college file as many applications may ask similar questions.

This form must be completed prior to your first meeting with your college counselor.

Please turn it in at least a day ahead of time so that your college counselor can look over your responses. If you have had a chance to formulate a resume, you can attach that, too. The first meeting will include you and one or both parents

We are looking forward to working with you in the coming year and a half. We aim to make the college search process interesting, productive, and as stress-free as possible.

Ms. Fuller & Mrs. Peterson

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Please respond to the following topics fully and honestly and **return the form to your college counselor at least one full day before the scheduled meeting.**

Full Name _____ Nickname _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____ Citizenship _____

Social Security # _____ Advisor _____

Grade you entered Holton _____ Previous school(s) _____

Language(s) spoken at home _____ Other language(s) you speak fluently _____

Please tell me a little about your family, including any unusual circumstances:

Which Holton teachers, administrators, coaches, or other staff knows you the best? How did they get to know you?

Which classes have you enjoyed most at Holton, and why?

Which classes have been the most difficult or challenging for you and why?

What subjects might you want to study in college?

Describe your career goals.

If you could defer college for a year, and could do anything you wished (money is not an issue), describe your plans.

Do you feel that your grades to date accurately reflect your academic abilities and talents and interest in school? Why or why not?

Have you missed school for an extended period of time? Please explain.

Are there any circumstances that have kept you from doing your best academic work? Explain.

Is there anything else I should know about which might affect your college search?

Please list the activities in which you have been involved at Holton and any position held:

Activity	Years (9, 10, 11)	Position Held	Time Commitment

Please list any awards, honors, or other distinctions:

Please list the activities outside of Holton, including volunteer work/employment:

Activity	Years (9, 10, 11)	Position Held	Time Commitment

Which activity is most meaningful to you? Why? Be specific.

How have you spent each summer?

After 9th grade:

After 10th grade:

After 11th grade (planned):

Do you think athletic recruitment, art, acting, music or any other talent/ability will affect your college choice? Please explain.

List five adjectives to describe you and explain.

Fill in your favorites:

Book	
Author	
Movie	
Recording artist	
Source of news	
Time of day	
Food	
Activity for fun	
flower	
Source of news	
expression	
keepsake	

Whom do you consider your closest friends at Holton? What do you have in common?

Describe your ideal college roommate:

Describe, in general terms, your current ideal college setting and experience.

Please list (at least) ten colleges in which you are interested. Please make a notation if you have visited and give a brief reaction to them:

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