# REFERENCES I COULDN’T DO WITHOUT

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1. **Counselors’ Desk Set**
   - Octamaron Associates, Inc.
   - P.O. Box 3437
   - Princeton, NJ 08541-6672
   - (703) 823-1882

2. **The College Finder**
   - [www.randomhouse.com/BB](http://www.randomhouse.com/BB)

3. **The Gourman Report**
   - Longman Trade USA
   - S. 250 Frontenac Rd.
   - Naperville, IL 60540
   - (312) 983-6400

4. **The College Admissions Mystique**
   - Noonday Press
   - Farrer, Straus & Giroux

5. **Blue Book of College Athletics**
   - Rohrich Corporation
   - 903 East Tallmadge Avenue
   - Akron, OH 44310-3592
   - (216) 633-1711

6. **Independent Colleges and Universities: The Choice is Yours**
   - Independent Colleges and Universities
   - Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities
   - 1100 11th Street, Suite 205
   - Sacramento, CA 95814

7. **Social Studies School Service**
   - 10200 Jefferson Blvd.
   - P.O. Box 802
   - Culver City, CA 90232-9983
   - (800) 421-4246

8. **College Match: A Blueprint for Choosing the Best School for You!**
   - By Steven R. Antonoff and Marie A. Friedemann
   - Octameron Associates, Inc.

9. **Writing a Winning College Application**
   - Peterson’s Guides, 1996
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| 16. | Behind the Scenes: An Inside Look at the Selective College Admissions Process by Edward B. Wall | Octameron Associates |
| 17. | Financial Aids for Higher Education by Oreon Keeslar and Judy Kesslar | Brown and Benchmark Publishers |
| 18. | Don’t Miss Out: The Ambitious Student’s Guide to Scholarships and Loans by Robert Leider and Anna Leider | Octameron Associates |
| 19. | The A’s and B’s of Academic Scholarships by Robert Sullivan | Octameron Associates |
| 21. | Choose a Christian College | Peterson’s Guides |
| 22. | The College Handbook by The College Board | College Entrance Examination Board |
| 23. | Index of Majors and Graduate Degrees | College Entrance Examination Board |
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31. *Rugg’s Recommendations on the Colleges* by Frederick E. Rugg Rugg’s Recommendations


I would also order if there is money the following books (all can be ordered from the Social Studies School Service Catalog):

- *A Guide to the Universities of Europe*
- *A Guide to International Schools*
- *Big Book on Minority Opportunities*
- *A Guide for the Student Athlete*
- *Career Connection for College Admission*
- *Women’s Colleges*

AND LOTS OF OTHER BOOKS – TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION

I also order anything that’s free
I also subscribe to the following newsletters:
    The College Connection
    College Bound

**CONFERENCES I WOULDN’T MISS**

    National Assoc. of College Admissions Counselors NACA    October
University of California Conferences  September
California State College Conferences  September/October
San Diego State University  October
Assoc. of Independent California Colleges and Universities  December
College Board Western Regional Meeting  February
Western Assoc. of College Admissions Counselors WACAC  May

I meet with every college representative to welcome them to Francis Parker School.

I attend every evening meeting that is held in San Diego.

I participate regularly in the San Diego National College Fair.

I ask to attend college trips and go on every one that my principal will allow.

I also have my own college consulting business called Countdown to College.

I am a regular speaker at any evening presentation that invites me.