POST-SECONDARY ADMISSIONS PROCESS

BHS School Counseling

When to apply?

- **Scholarships**
  - There are scholarships you can apply for NOW and you should continue looking for scholarships throughout college

- **College/University/Vocational School**
  - By October 31 of senior year
  - Firm deadline vs. Rolling admissions (larger window, decision within a few weeks)
  - Even if the deadline is in May or the college is on a 'rolling admission', we suggest applying by Oct 31 for access to scholarships, housing, etc.
  - Can start as early as summer between 11/12 grade year – UNF 'Apply in July'
  - You are applying with the cumulative GPA from the end of junior year, ACT and SAT test scores obtained by August of senior year, and strength of your senior schedule.

What do you need before you start the application process?

- Look at the websites of all the colleges you are applying to and make a list of the following:
  - Parent information: occupation, income, level of education - 'First Generation' for opportunities and scholarship money
  - Application deadlines
  - Admission essay requirement and topic
  - Letter of recommendation requirement
- Current academic history (you can view this in HAC on the transcript tab)
- Ordering transcripts – via Naviance
- ACT, SAT and/or PERT score reports (send score reports directly from your ACT or SAT account)
- List of extracurricular activities (inside and outside of school)
- Information about you and your parent(s)/guardian(s)
  - Social Security Number
  - Parents level of education, occupation, income

College Application Fees

- Colleges charge a fee to apply! Application fees vary but could be between $35-$50, depending on college
- SJRSC and FSCJ come to BHS on certain days and will allow you to apply for FREE! So, pay attention to those dates!
- There is never a fee associated with scholarships
- SAT, ACT, or NACAC college application fee waivers can be used to waive college application fees
  - If you took the ACT or SAT with a fee waiver, see your counselor about obtaining college application fee waivers.
- If using fee waivers (free and reduced lunch), contact each college to determine how they would like the fee waivers submitted. Every college has a different process.

ACT and SAT Score Reports

The only way a college will see your ACT/SAT score is if you SEND your scores to them! Do this for free when you register for your test, or pay a fee afterwards.

ACT

- www.actstudent.org
- Log in and send your scores to the college(s) of your choice
- If you didn't send scores when you registered for the test, then this will cost money

SAT

- www.collegeboard.org
- Log in and send your scores to the college(s) of your choice
- If you didn't send scores when you registered for the test, then this will cost money

High School Transcript

- Official record of academic performance and testing history
  - Different than a credit detail report that a counselor can print for you
- Request transcript via **Naviance**
- Check with the college or scholarship organization to determine how they want to receive the transcript
  - Electronically
  - US Mail
- Transcripts MUST be kept in sealed envelope, otherwise they are invalid

Letter of Recommendation

- Everyone will have to provide a transcript, but not necessarily a letter of recommendation
- Check to see if letter of recommendation is required
- Who should you ask to write a letter? Ask an adult in your life, who is not related to you, who knows you really well and would say really nice things about you!
- Give them a resume or brag sheet of your achievements to help them
- Ask well in advance of the deadline – bare minimum 2 weeks
- Give instructions to writer about how to submit the letter of recommendation
  - Directly to you?
  - Uploaded electronically?
  - Sent directly to college or scholarship organization?
- Send a thank you note!

Applications

- Two ways to apply to colleges:
  - Most colleges have their own online application
  - Common App/Naviance
- Submit the application and all other requirements before the deadline – these deadlines are firm!
- It would be helpful to have your parent/guardian close by while filling out applications
- Have your academic history, extra curricular activities, essays and ACT/SAT score reports with you while filling out the application
- Organize yourself – put all of the information you need in one notebook/folder so that you'll have it handy
- Break down the application process in small chunks – you don't have to do it all in one day!

Get Organized !

Keep a folder/file/binder with everything that is needed to apply for multiple scholarships and colleges.

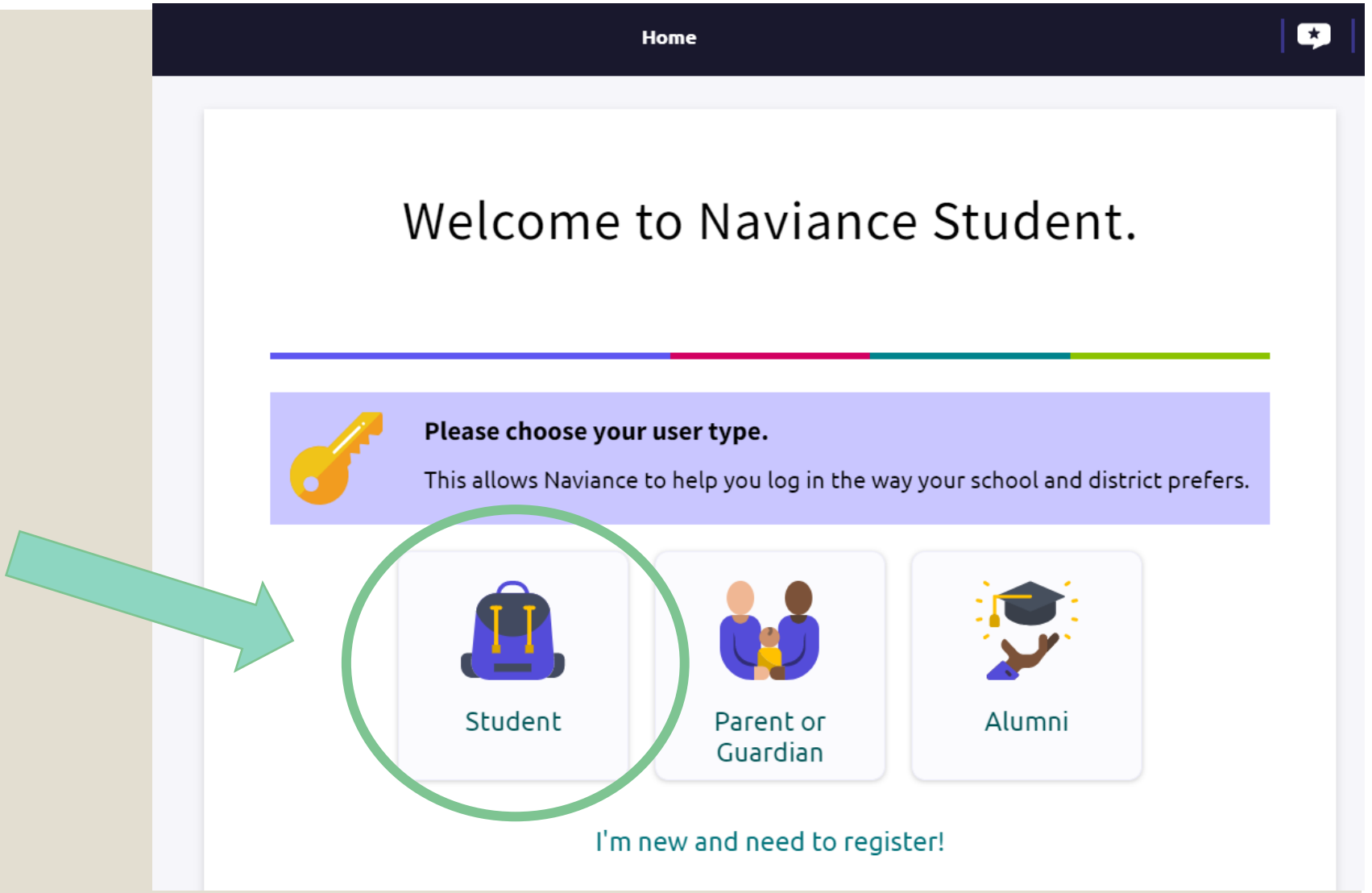
- Application deadlines
- ACT/SAT/ scores
- High school transcript (request from Parchment)
- Letters of recommendation (because you may be able to use one for multiple applications)
- Resume of activities, community service, and leadership roles
- Essays (because you may be able to use one essay for multiple applications)
- Parents level of education, occupation, income

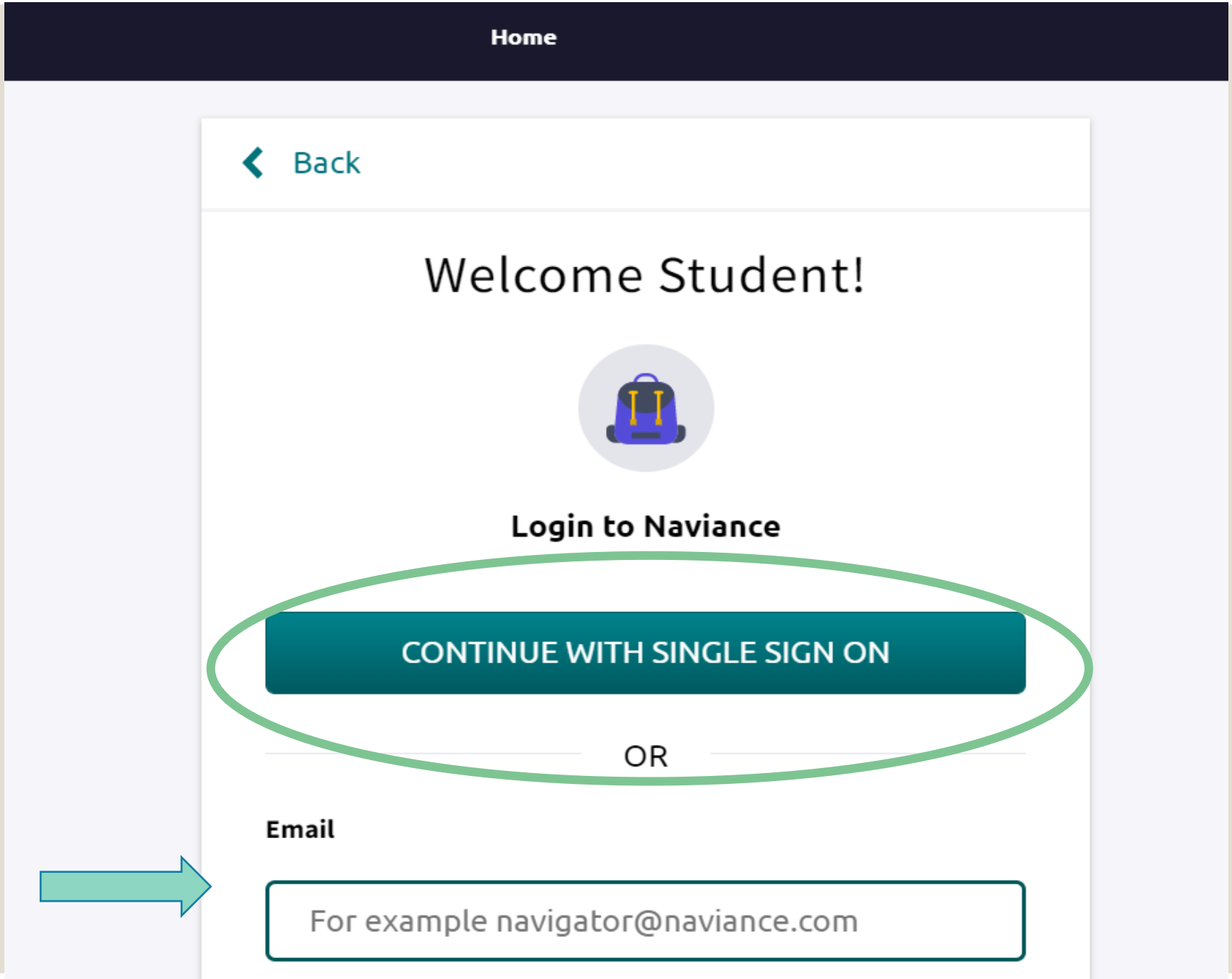
Get an appropriate e-mail address

- JohnSmith01@gmail.com (YES)
- BigDaddy01@gmail.com (NO)

- Naviance is a college and career program purchased for you by the school district.
- Through Naviance, you can explore postsecondary education options and identify YOUR best matches that meet your search criteria and preferences!
- The link to Naviance is on your Student Links page.

Naviance logo on school Student Links page – bottom right corner!





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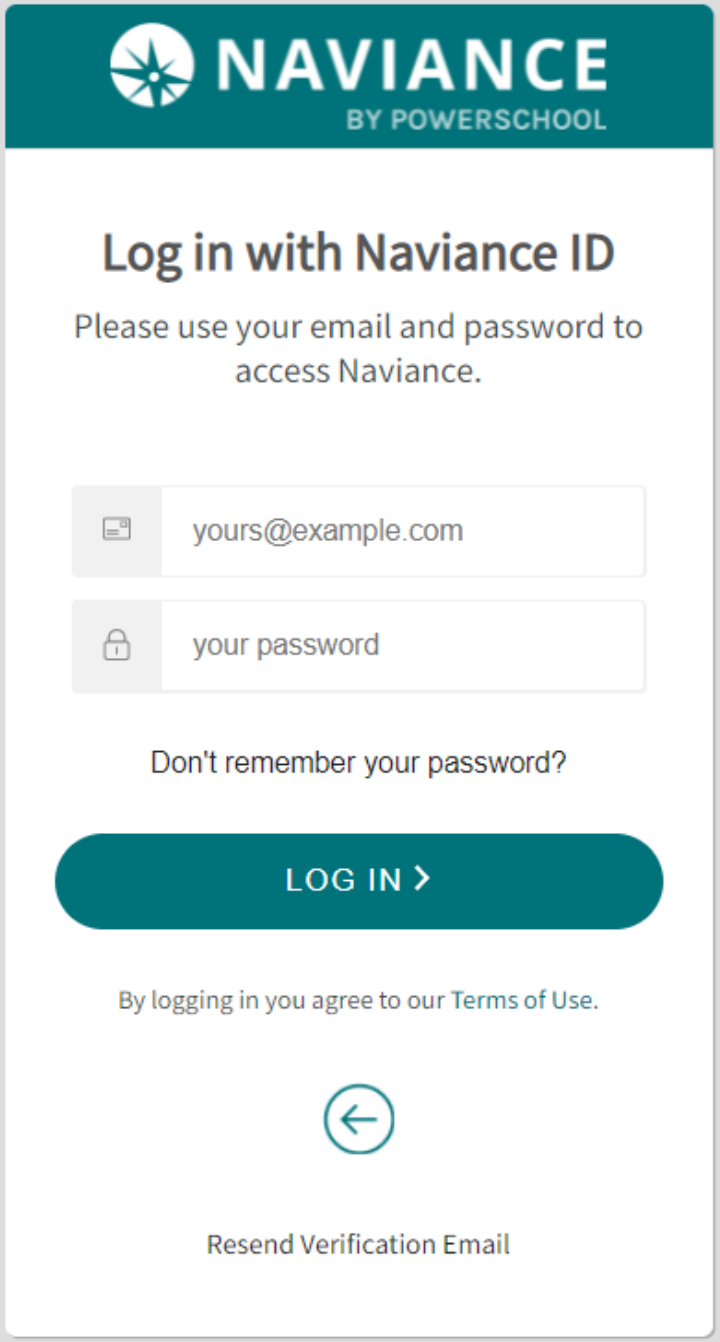
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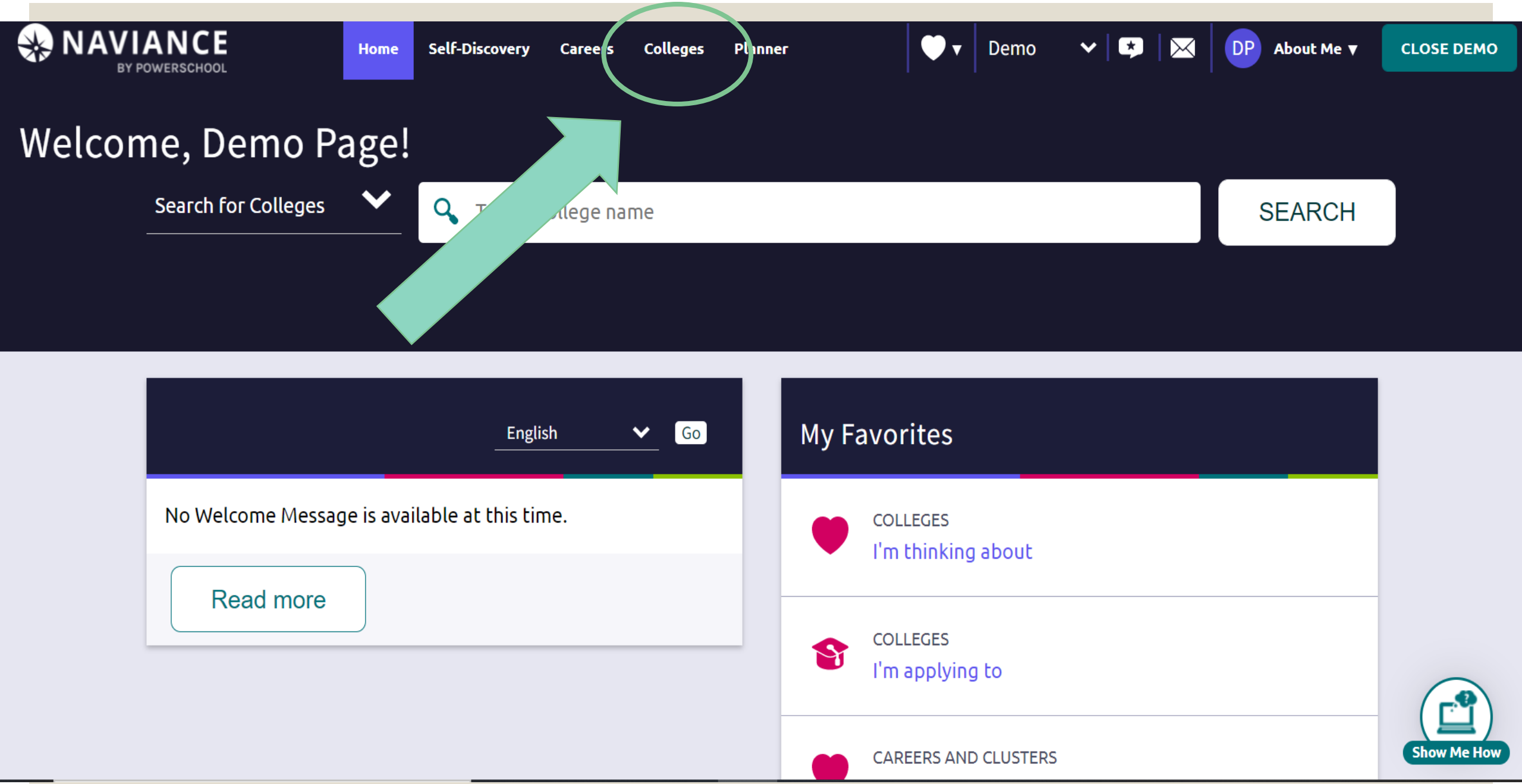
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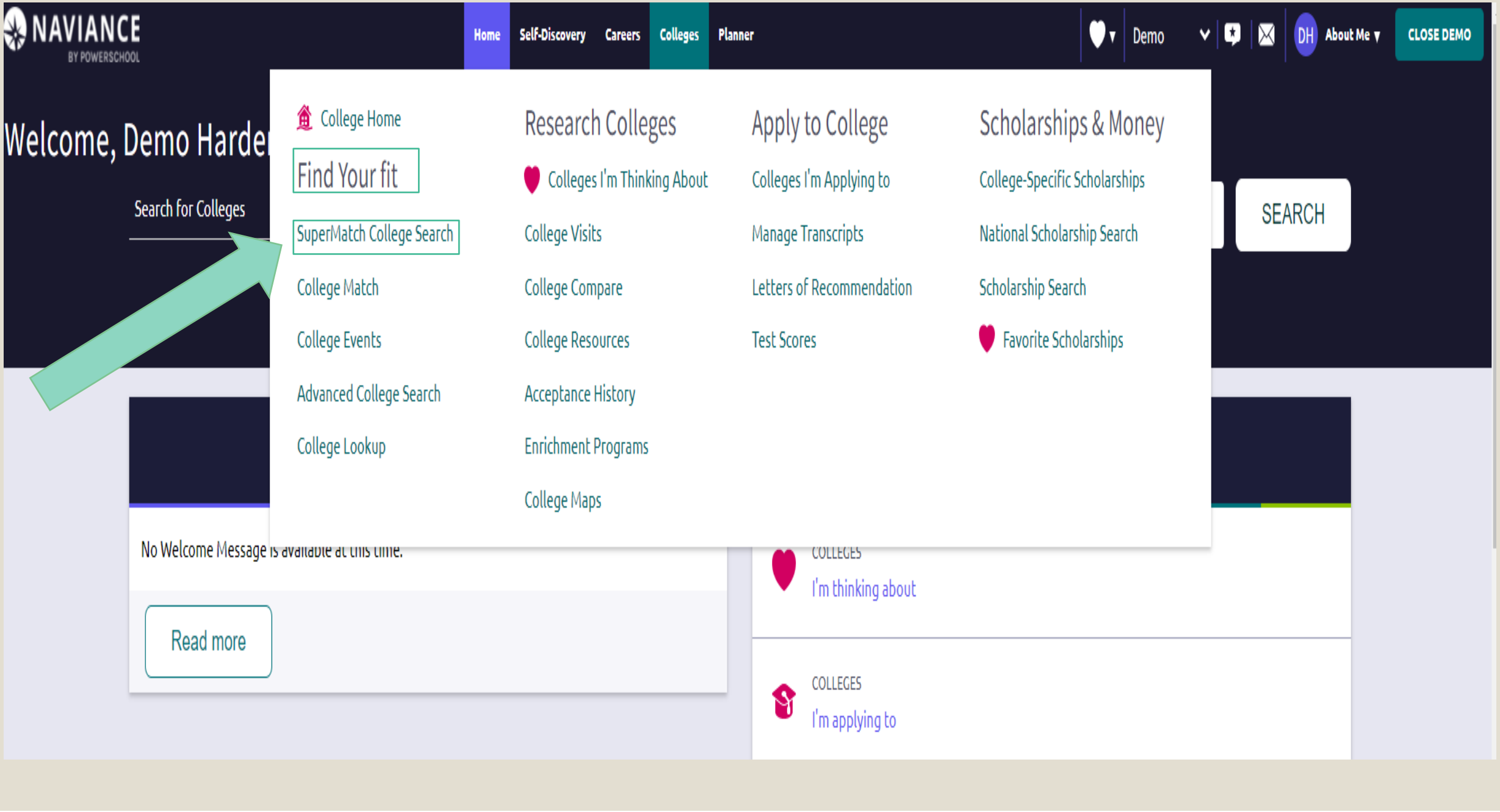
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Comprehensive List of Criteria
Search schools by location, cost, size, and more to find your best fit, but not all fields are required

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Choose Fit Criteria | Student Life | Diversity | Institution Characteristics | Cost | Athletics | Resources

Your Fit Criteria

Saved Searches Choose one | Save Search | Start Over

0 selected criteria

Select Criteria To Start

To refine your results, use the arrows to move your criteria in... Must Have" and "Nice to Have" boxes.

Must Have

A *Must Have* is anything you absolutely need to be happy and successful.

Nice to Have

A *Nice to Have* is anything that's important to you, but isn't an absolute must have.

No Result

	Fit Score	Academic Match	Pick what to show	Pick what to show	Pick what to show

SELECT CRITERIA TO START

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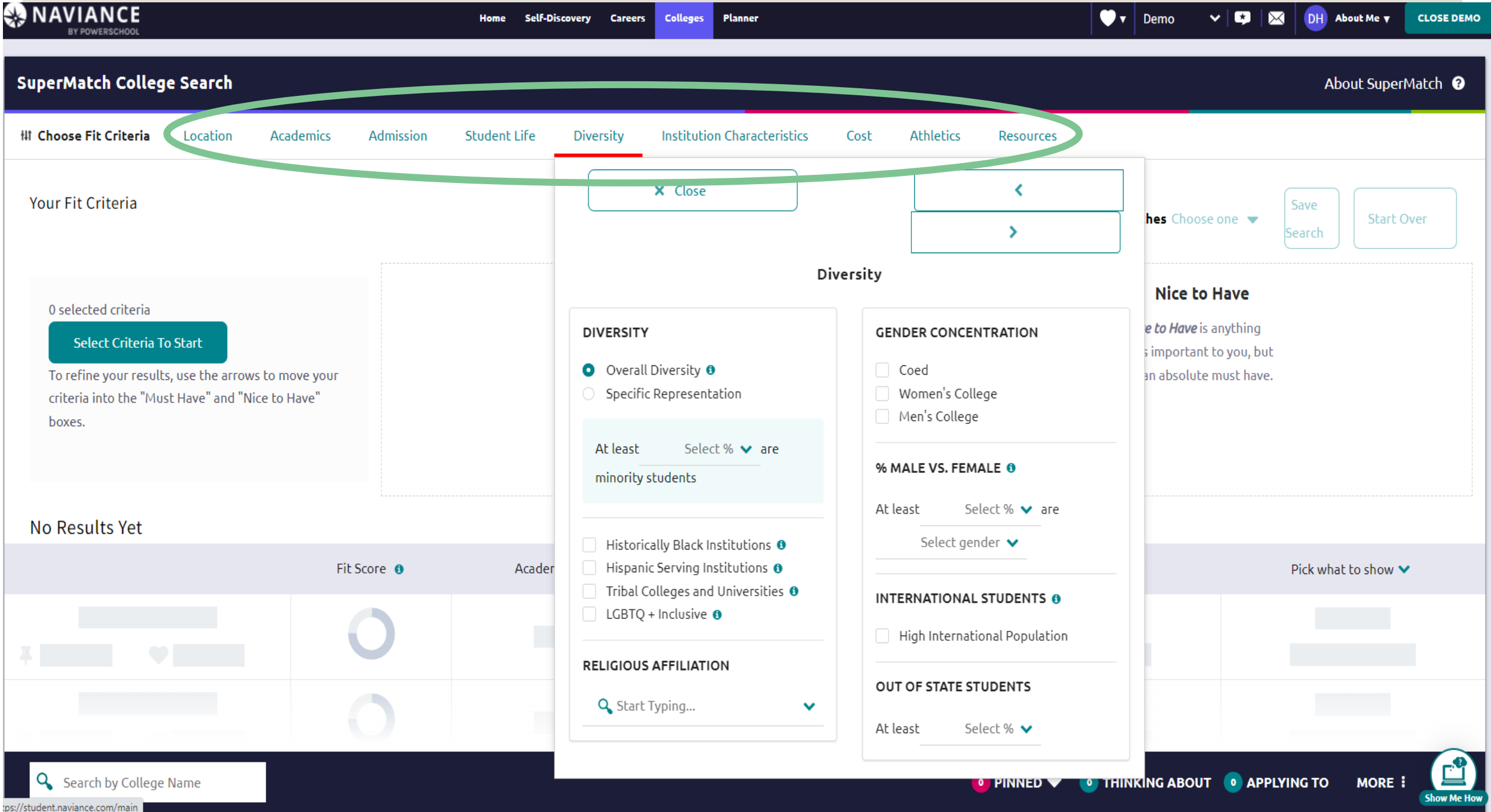
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To refine your results, use the arrows to move your criteria into the "Must Have" and "Nice to Have" boxes.
Nice to Have
Diversity
DIVERSITY
Overall Diversity
Specific Representation
At least Select % are minority students
Historically Black Institutions
Hispanic Serving Institutions
Tribal Colleges and Universities
LGBTQ + Inclusive
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Men's College
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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
High International Population
OUT OF STATE STUDENTS
At least Select %
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Fit Score
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Your Fit Criteria

Close

Save Search | Start Over

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College Type (Public vs Private)

Public colleges and universities are funded in part by the states where they are located and thus offer a lower tuition rate for students who are residents of the same state. Private institutions typically do not determine tuition rates based on residency and therefore do not have an in-state/out-of-state cost difference. However, private institutions may offer more in scholarships than public institutions.

INSTITUTION TYPE

- [x] 2-year or less (Comm and Vocational/Tech
- [x] 4-year
- [x] Public
- [x] Private
  - [x] Show only non-profit

STUDENT SUCCESS

- [ ] High Graduation Rate
- [ ] High Retention Rate
- [ ] High Job Placement Rate

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

Less than Select students

- Undergraduate students only

- [ ] Very large (Over 20,000 students)
- [ ] Large (13,001 to 20,000 students)
- [ ] Mid-Size (7,001 to 13,000 students)
- [ ] Medium (4,001 to 7,000 students)
- [ ] Small (2,001 to 4,000 students)
- [ ] Very Small (2,000 or fewer students)

HOUSING

- [ ] On-Campus Housing

No Results Yet

Fit Score | Academic Match | Pick what to show

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Your Fit Criteria

Saved Searches Choose one

Save Search

Start Over

5 selected criteria

To refine your results, use the arrows to move your criteria into the "Must Have" and "Nice to Have" boxes.

Must Have

- X Location [1]
- X Major [Any]
- X Institution Type

Nice to Have

- X Campus Surroundings [2]
- X Gender Concentration [1]

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Your Fit Criteria

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Must Have

✕ Location [1] → | ✕ Major [Any] → | ✕ Institution Type →

Your Results

Your results include **22 institutions** that are both an academic match and also match all the criteria selected above.

	Fit Score	Academic Match	Highlig
Florida Polytechnic University Lakeland, FL, Small City 4 year, Public PIN TO COMPARE FAVORITE	100% Why?	Average / You GPA 3.9 N/A SAT 1287 N/A ACT 29 N/A *To determine if you're an*	Photos/Vi Vir

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✕ Close

Fit Score Breakdown

Your Fit Score: **100%**

FLORIDA POLY

Florida Polytechnic University
Lakeland, FL
4 year, Public

PIN TO COMPARE
FAVORITE

Your Fit Criteria

Legend

✓ Match ✱ Close Match ? Data Unknown ✕ Doesn't Match

Must Have

3 out of 3 Must Have criteria are a match

- ✓ Location [1] — Located in Florida
- ✓ Institution Type — 4 year
- ✓ Major [Any]

Nice to Have

2 out of 2 Nice to Have criteria are a match

- ✓ Campus Surroundings [2] — Small City
- ✓ Gender Concentration [1] — Coed

Academic Match

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Your Results

Your results include **8 institutions** that are both an academic match and also match all the criteria selected above.

	Fit Score	Academic Match	Admission Info	Cost	Pick what to show
Eastern New Mexico University-Main Campus Portales, NM, Small City 4 year, Public PIN TO COMPARE FAVORITE	100% Why?	Average / You GPA 3 N/A SAT 911 N/A ACT 19.5 N/A *To determine if you're an academic match for this institution, enter your GPA and/or standardized test scores.*	Acceptance Rate 60%	Pick what to show Admission Info Athletics Diversity Cost Highlights Institution Characteristics Student Life	Customize what you see here—Choose a category above
Colorado State University-Pueblo Pueblo, CO, Small City 4 year, Public PIN TO COMPARE	100% Why?	Average / You GPA 3.1 N/A SAT 965 N/A ACT 21 N/A	Acceptance Rate 95% App Fee $25	Room & Board $10,210	Customize what you see here—Choose a category above

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	Fit Score	Academic Match	Admission Info	Cost	Pick what to show
Northeastern Illinois University Chicago, IL, Small City 4 year, Public PINNED FAVORITE	100% Why?	Average / You GPA N/A N/A0 SAT 875 N/A ACT 18.5 N/A *To determine if you're an academic match for this institution, enter your GPA and/or standardized test scores.*	Acceptance Rate 56% App Fee $30	Tuition & Fees $11,700 *In State (IL)* $15,915 *Out of State* Room & Board $11,424	Customize what you see here—Choose a category above
Eastern New Mexico University-Main Campus Portales, NM, Small City 4 year, Public PINNED FAVORITE	100% Why?	Average / You GPA 3 N/A0 SAT 911 N/A ACT 19.5 N/A *To determine if you're an academic match for this institution, enter your GPA and/or standardized test scores.*	Acceptance Rate 60%	Tuition & Fees $3,661 *In State (NM)* $9,436 *Out of State* Room & Board $6,958	Customize what you see here—Choose a category above
Saint Edward's University Austin, TX, Large City 4 year, Private nonprofit, Roman Catholic PINNED FAVORITE	100% Why?	Average / You GPA N/A N/A0 SAT 1105 N/A ACT 24.5 N/A *To determine if you're an academic match for this institution, enter your GPA*	Acceptance Rate 86% Accepts Common App App Fee $50	Tuition & Fees $42,550 Room & Board $12,940	Customize what you see here—Choose a category above

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Pinned Schools Compare

An in-depth comparison of your pinned schools

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	PINNED FAVORITE Pittsburg State University www.pittstate.edu	PINNED FAVORITE Missouri Southern State University www.mssu.edu	PINNED FAVORITE University of Houston-Clear Lake www.uhcl.edu	PINNED FAVORITE Sam Houston State University www.shsu.edu/
LOCATION				
Location	Kansas	Missouri	Texas	Texas
Region	Central	Central	Central	Central
Campus Surroundings	Small City	Small City	Large City	Town not near a City
ADMISSION INFO				
Test Optional	No	No	No	No
Average High School GPA	3.3	3.2	3.4	Unknown
Average ACT	21.5	21	22	21
Math	21	20	Unknown	21
Science	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
English	21	20.5	Unknown	21
Reading	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Average SAT	Unknown	Unknown	1110	1021
Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	Unknown	Unknown	520	500
Math	Unknown	Unknown	550	521
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COMPARE PINNED COLLEGES

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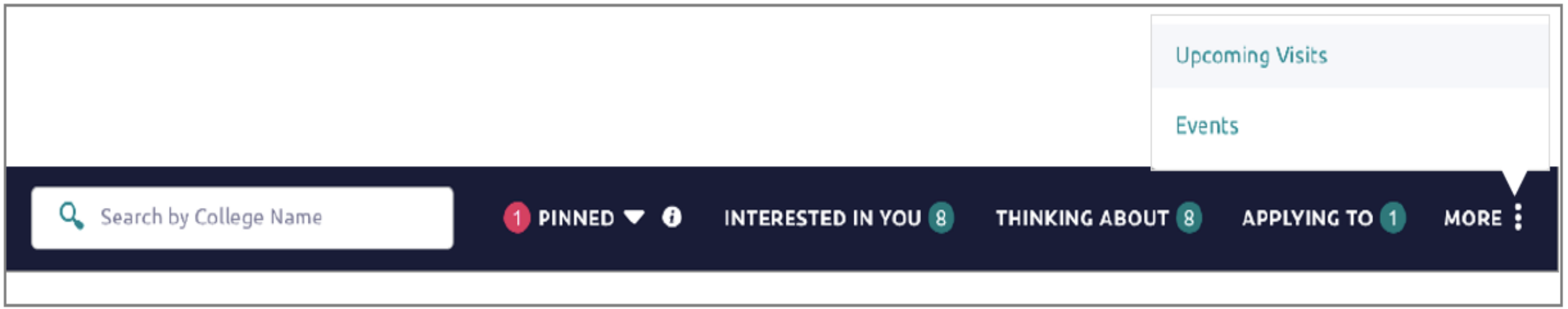
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