

*\*questions were submitted by students and parents across the division and tailored for the use of our discussion*

## PANEL QUESTIONS

<p><b>How heavily is the SAT/ACT being weighted this year for applications considering all of the cancelled test opportunities?</b></p>
<p><b>What makes a college essay stand out? Is there a “too long” or “too short” that affects the rating of it?</b></p>
<p><b>How diverse is your campus? What do you see on your campus that shows support of all cultures and diversity?</b></p>
<p><b>What is your average student:professor ratio for undergrad classes and classes in your major. How many of your classes are offered as online classes and are more students taking those?</b></p>
<p><b>When you are reviewing an application or transcript, what kind of things “Look the best”? AP vs IB classes? Work or Volunteer experience? Are extracurriculars in school better than working part time outside of school?</b></p>
<p><b>Do most Virginia schools accept students with associates from TCC? I’d like to do two years and transfer but worry about the admission rate as a transfer student. Do these students get overlooked because they will only have two years of tuition?</b></p>
<p><b>Do all the schools accept the FAFSA equally and how do you decide which students will get more aid from the school?</b></p>
<p><b>What can I do as an underclassman to strengthen my application?</b></p>
<p><b>Please tell us the thing that you like most about your campus. What makes you the most proud to be affiliated with your school?</b></p>

## SCHOOL SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

<b>James Madison:</b>	<p>If you have AP scores that count for the same class (such as AP English Language and AP English Lit) will you allow the other class to be used as elective credits?</p> <p>For your competitive programs such as dance and nursing for example, are auditions or extra interviews required? Are their courses you prefer to see on a transcript to get into either of these programs?</p>
<b>Longwood:</b>	<p>I received notice of the upcoming 101+ accelerated decision event. While Longwood is my current first choice, I worry about making a hasty decision. If accepted, what am I bound to? Flip side- what if I am not accepted? Can I apply again later? Am I competing against just the students who applied on that day? Is that a pro or con?</p>
<b>Norfolk State:</b>	<p>I know you need a 2.3 GPA to be eligible for sports. What supports are in place for student athletes or even non-athlete students to help maintain grades?</p>
<b>Old Dominion:</b>	<p>With the Dental Hygiene program, should people apply to the SODH (school of dental hygiene) through DHCAS (dental hygiene central application service) before February 1st of the upcoming year intended (freshman - fall 2021) or after all prerequisites are completed?</p> <p>Your psychology program has become nationally ranked; how difficult is this to now major in or to be accepted as a master’s program?</p>
<b>Virginia Tech:</b>	<p>What are the majors you have that make you stand out from the rest?</p> <p>How is the campus different through the COVID 19 start?</p>
<b>Virginia Wesleyan:</b>	<p>Do your graduates tend to have a high success rate of employment and admission into graduate programs?</p>
<b>VCU:</b>	<p>You have an impressive art program: What is the process for admissions and can I get in as a freshman or do I apply later after I’ve been admitted to VCU?</p>
<b>William &amp; Mary</b>	<p>For Early Decision, does this increase your chances of getting in or does it hurt you because they will only accept a certain amount.</p> <p>A majority of the students admitted to your school have over a 4.0 GPA. So is GPA the most important part of my application?</p>