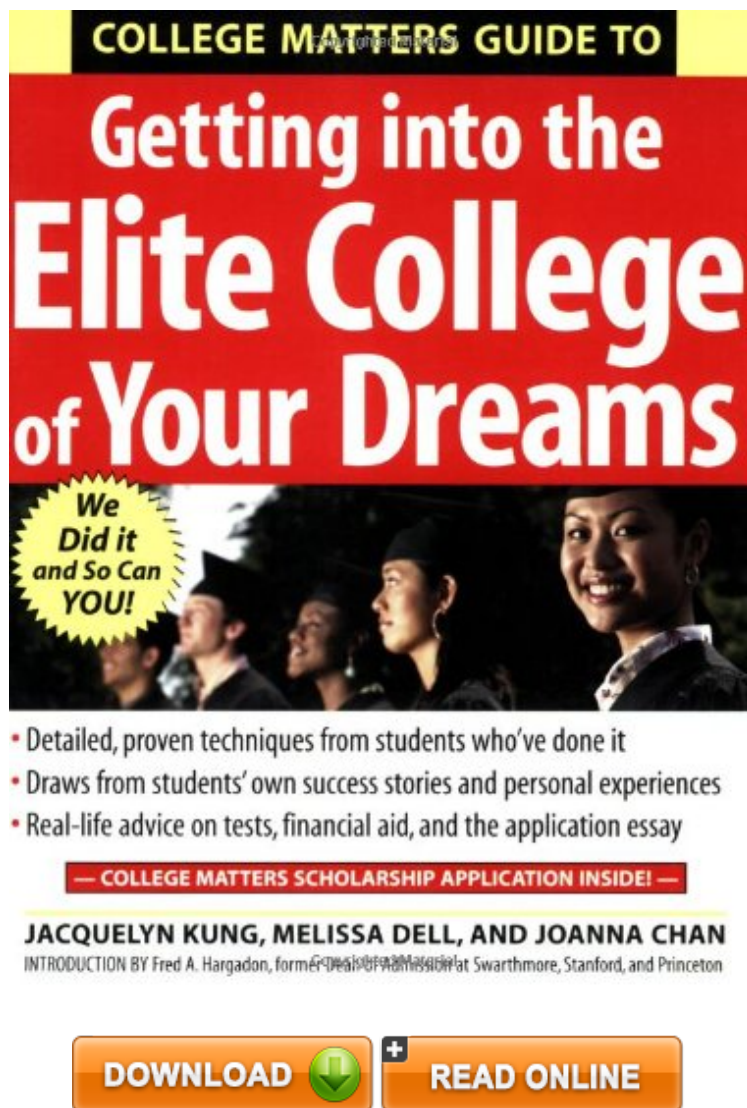


College Matters Guide to Getting Into the Elite College of Your Dreams

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Jacquelyn Kung, Melissa Dell, Joanna Chan : College Matters Guide to Getting Into the Elite College of Your Dreams before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised College Matters Guide to Getting Into the Elite College of Your Dreams:

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written by members of College Matters. Students from top colleges as Harvard, Brown, MIT, Stanford, Northwestern and Yale share their knowledge about the whole admission process and help you to build a strong application for the most selective colleges. It shows you how to make the most of your high school years by explaining you every part of the application and what matters the most. I was highly impressed about the book accuracy because, I am from Puerto Rico, and there were many things I didn't know about the admission process in United States colleges, but with this book, I could get to know everything I needed and it gave me a clear idea of how to use wisely these last High School years. The books cover everything from acing the SAT and ACT (updated with information about the New SAT), and choosing the right classes on high school, to making an excellent essay and finding scholarships. Every chapter is written by an expert in the area; take the example of Evelyn Huang, from Stanford, who wrote the Financial Aid chapter, she won more than \$110,000 on scholarships. I highly recommend this book to anyone who will pass through the admission process. I just finished the admission process and, guess what? I got into MIT! Thanks a lot to College Matters because this book really helped me a lot during the process!!!! 9 of 11 people found the following review helpful. AMAZING book--an absolute must read for students and parents By N. Buck This book is absolutely AMAZING! I just got my copy a couple of days ago, and have already read it from cover to cover. Fred Hargadon, former Admission Dean of Swarthmore, Princeton, and Stanford raves about the book in the forward, and rightly so. I've read a lot of the books on the market, but never one that was this thorough. It's packed full of info on everything from the new format SAT to winning scholarships and financial aid to advice just for parents. And the information is wonderfully thorough--the authors are obviously very knowledgeable and I'm just glad that they decided to share everything they've learned with us. Plus, I was surprised at what frank and straightforward information that this book contained from admissions deans and experts, in special inserts that supplemented what the authors wrote. I was also impressed that it seems to address a diversity of concerns, without droning on and on. Best of all, it is a great, fun read. Like Dean Hargadon said in the forward, the authors were obviously serious about the work, without taking themselves too seriously. This is a book that even a kid who hates to read can pick up and enjoy and identify with, as it is written by young people. The motivation behind the book is also amazing. It was written by students from an acclaimed student-run non-profit called College Matters that has helped thousands of students apply to college. All proceeds from the book are benefitting a scholarship fund for underserved students. So I know that not only did I get a great read; the little bit of money I spent on the book all went to a great cause. Overall, I would say if you are a high school student--or the parent of one--this is a book that you cannot afford not to read. The information contained inside could easily make the difference between getting in and getting rejected from your dream school, or winning or not the money to pay for your education wherever you go (BTW, despite the title, the book talks about applying to a wide variety of colleges, not just so-called elite colleges, so even if you're not considering the traditional "elite" colleges, it will still be super useful).

An invaluable resource for high school students who dream of getting into top-flight colleges. College Matters offers the guidance of 12 students who made it into their dream colleges. They share their expertise about the entire process, from first explorations, to estimating chances, through the practical work of reaching the goal. Here's what you need to know to optimize your chances of admission to one of the most selective colleges... Features include: . . . Proven techniques for getting into an elite college . An approach that teenagers can identify with . Chapters that are written by students uniquely qualified in specific topics--for example, Evelyn Huang, author of the financial aid chapter, won more than \$110,000 in scholarships . .

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