

Key Factors in *Your* College Decision

Finances

For many parents, this is the primary factor in making a college choice; they are worried about student debt after graduation.

- Most institutions offer many academic scholarships with the ability to stack additional scholarships for athletics, performing arts or other activities.
- There are numerous opportunities for private scholarships around the Flandreau community and Moody County.
- Completing the FAFSA is another important piece to the financial puzzle!

Program Availability and Placement Rates

It seems obvious, but students want to know More about their program of interest and if the job market is strong.

- **PLACEMENT RATES**- What are the school's overall placement rates? Board pass rates? Program specific rates?
- **MOST POPULAR MAJORS** - What are the school's most popular majors

Opportunity

Students will find opportunities to get involved in college life to help them grow in a variety of ways.

- Athletics
- Performing arts
- Student ministry
- Student Government
- Greek Life
- Clubs and organizations
- Mission trips



Proximity to Home

All students have different opinions about leaving home and how far they want to be.

- Do you want a school within driving distance of home?
- Do you want a school far enough away that driving home is like a vacation?

School Size

All students have different opinions about the size of school they want to attend

- Smaller schools are not better than bigger schools.
- Bigger schools are not better than smaller schools.
- The size of the school is all personal preference.
- Campus visits will be the best indicator whether a school is a fit for you!