



# Who *ARE* these people??

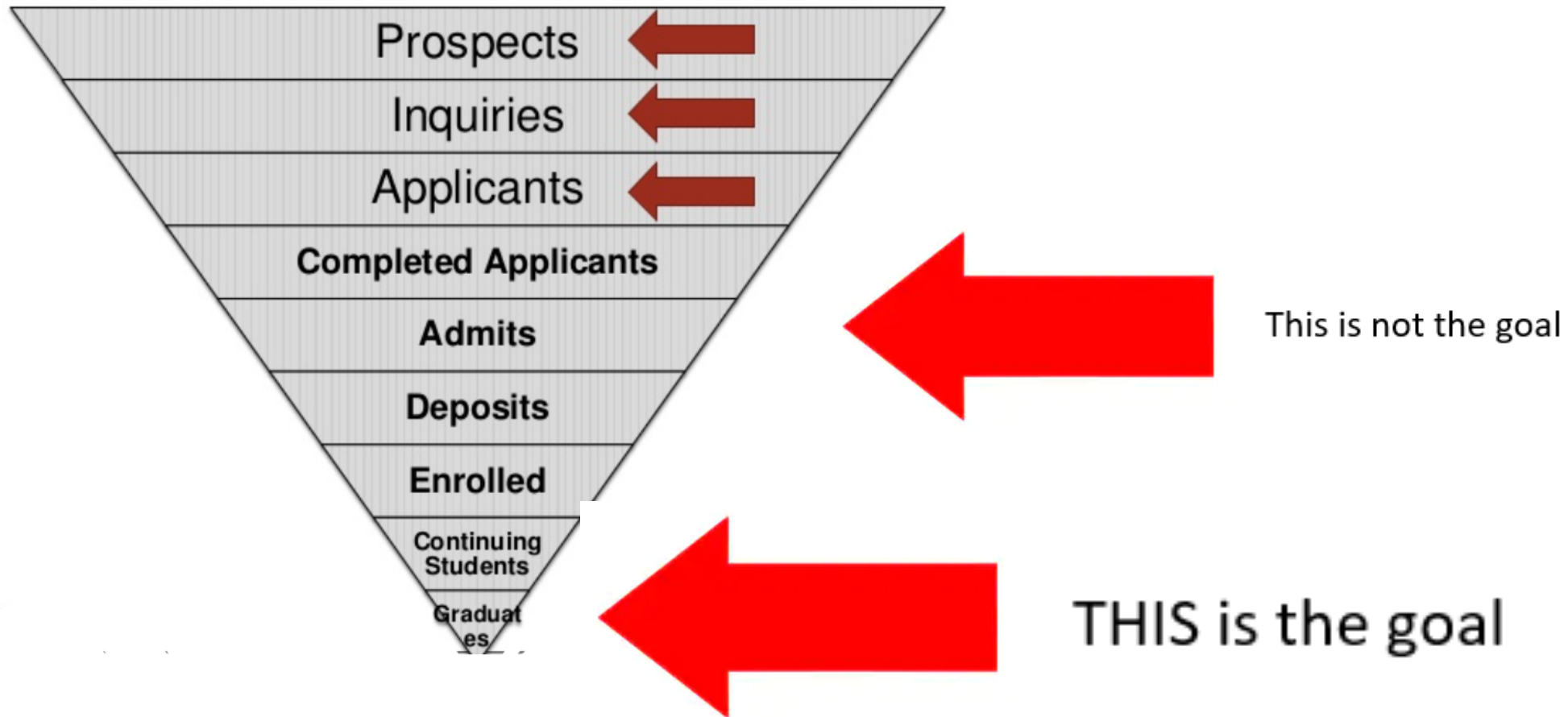
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Each school also has excellent counselors, teachers, administrators, coaches, and third-party support to assist our students reach their post-secondary goals. It is a team effort!

# ADMISSION PROCESS – “THE FUNNEL”





## TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

- Scholarships
- Grants
  - Based on financial need (driven by FAFSA or Alternative Application of IL) OR student status
- Loans
  - Federal Stafford vs. Private
- Work study
  - Must be earned through work in college, but still considered FA



# SCHOLARSHIP TYPES



- Academic Merit
  - Come from colleges and universities based largely on GPA
    - Additional scholarships sometimes available (first gen.)
- Talent based
  - Athletics
    - Based on athletic performance and college recruitment
    - Eligibility
    - NCAA, NAIA, NJCAA
  - Performance (music, theatre, dance, etc.)
    - Usually based on an audition once a student has applied and been accepted to college
  - Third party (outside)
    - Awarding criteria varies



# WHERE TO FIND SCHOLARSHIPS

- From the colleges themselves!!
  - During admission process, or by applying after acceptance
- Outside sources
  - Big scholarship sites
  - PTHS sites
  - Local Award
  - Personal connections!
    - Parent employers, churches, community groups.
    - *It NEVER hurts to ask!!*





## THIRD PARTY (OUTSIDE) SCHOLARSHIP LINKS

- Cappex: <https://www.cappex.com/scholarships>
- College Board: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>
- College Greenlight: <https://www.collegegreenlight.com/>
- Chamber of commerce guide to scholarships: <https://www.chamberofcommerce.org/best-college-scholarships>
- Chegg: <https://www.chegg.com/scholarships>
- Dosomething(based on community service): <https://www.dosomething.org/us/about/easy-scholarships>
- FastWeb: <https://www.fastweb.com/>
- FinAid: <https://www.finaid.org/>
- Hispanic scholarship fund: <https://www.hsf.net/>
- Aid and scholarships for undocumented students: <https://www.iacac.org/undocumented/money/>
- JLV College Counseling: <https://jlvcollgecounseling.com/scholarships/>
- Raise me: <https://www.raise.me/>
- Scholar snapp: <https://www.scholarsnapp.org/>
- Unigo: <https://www.unigo.com/scholarships>

# SCHOLARSHIPS BASED ON ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE



## Golden Apple

“The Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois program is a teacher preparation and tuition assistance program for high school seniors and freshman and sophomore Illinois college students who have the determination and drive to be highly effective teachers in Illinois schools-of-need.”



## QUESTBRIDGE

“We are looking for high school seniors who have shown outstanding academic ability despite financial challenges. We take a holistic approach to reviewing applications, and we do not have absolute criteria or cut-offs for GPA, standardized test scores, income, or other factors.”



## THE GATES SCHOLARSHIP®

“The Gates Scholarship (TGS) is a highly selective, last-dollar scholarship for outstanding, minority, high school seniors from low-income households. Each year, the scholarship is awarded to 300 of these student leaders, with the intent of helping them realize their maximum potential.”



# TRITON COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## Trustee Honors Scholarship

- 3.35 cumulative GPA at the end of 7<sup>th</sup> semester or top 10% of graduating class
- In-district tuition and fees covered

<https://triton.academicworks.com/opportunities/511>



## Scholars Program

- SAT or ACT scores above the college minimum
- 3.5 cumulative GPA
- Teacher and Counselor Recommendations
- “This is an academically rigorous program that welcomes highly motivated students who are looking for a course of study leading to an associate degree and excellent opportunities to transfer to competitive four-year colleges and universities.  
Students must be in preparation for an AA or AS (not AAS or certificate) degree.”
- In-district tuition waived

<https://www.triton.edu/scholars-program/>

# STUDENT ATHLETE RECRUITMENT

