

ADMISSIONS CONSULTING RISK DISCLOSURE

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF UNCERTAINTY

For Clients of

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This **Admissions Consulting Risk Disclosure, Assumption of Risk, and Acknowledgement of Uncertainty Agreement** (“Disclosure”) is entered into by and between **Dr. Nathan Hurwitz – College Admissions Consultant, Hurwitz Consulting, LLC**, a Pennsylvania limited liability company (hereinafter referred to as the “Consultant”), and the undersigned student applicant together with any parent or legal guardian (collectively referred to herein as the “Client”).

This Disclosure is intended to provide a comprehensive explanation of the inherent uncertainties, risks, limitations, and external variables associated with the college admissions process and with admissions consulting services generally.

By entering into a consulting relationship with the Consultant, the Client expressly acknowledges that they have read, understood, and accepted the terms and disclosures set forth herein.

ARTICLE I

PURPOSE OF THIS DISCLOSURE

The purpose of this Disclosure is to ensure that all Clients clearly understand the nature of the college admissions process, the scope of services provided by the Consultant, and the limitations inherent in those services.

College admissions consulting is an advisory and educational service designed to assist students in preparing, organizing, and presenting application materials to colleges and universities.

Such services may include guidance related to academic preparation, college list development, essay preparation, application organization, and interview preparation.

However, the admissions process itself is controlled entirely by the admissions committees of individual institutions. The Consultant does not possess authority to determine admissions decisions and does not exercise control over admissions outcomes.

This Disclosure therefore serves to clarify that admissions consulting services are inherently limited in scope and cannot eliminate the inherent uncertainties of the college admissions process.

ARTICLE II

NATURE AND SCOPE OF CONSULTING SERVICES

Admissions consulting services are advisory services intended to support a student's preparation for college applications.

The Consultant may provide guidance, mentorship, and structured planning assistance in areas including but not limited to:

- development of a strategic college list
- identification of appropriate academic and extracurricular goals
- essay brainstorming and development guidance
- structural and editorial feedback on application essays
- application planning and organizational support
- interview preparation
- guidance related to letters of recommendation
- timeline planning for college admissions activities
- guidance related to performing arts auditions or portfolio preparation
- guidance regarding standardized testing strategy

The Consultant provides guidance based on professional experience, educational knowledge, and industry practices.

However, the Consultant does not control or influence admissions decisions.

The Consultant does not represent any college or university and does not act as an agent of any admissions office.

ARTICLE III

INHERENT UNCERTAINTY OF COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

The Client acknowledges that the college admissions process is inherently uncertain and highly competitive.

Admissions committees evaluate applicants using complex and often confidential criteria.

These criteria may include:

- academic performance
- rigor of academic coursework
- standardized test scores
- extracurricular activities
- leadership experience
- community involvement
- personal essays
- letters of recommendation
- demonstrated interest
- institutional priorities
- demographic considerations
- geographic distribution of applicants
- institutional diversity goals
- athletic recruitment needs
- artistic talent recruitment
- financial aid budgets
- enrollment management strategies

The relative importance of these factors may change from year to year and from institution to institution.

Many of these factors are beyond the control of the Consultant and the Client.

ARTICLE IV

NO GUARANTEE OF ADMISSION

The Client expressly acknowledges and agrees that the Consultant does not guarantee admission to any college or university.

The Consultant does not guarantee admission to:

- any specific institution
- any selective institution
- any Ivy League institution
- any honors program
- any specialized academic program
- any performing arts program
- any scholarship program

Admissions decisions are made solely by the admissions committees of individual institutions.

Even exceptionally qualified applicants may be denied admission due to the competitive nature of the admissions process.

ARTICLE V

COMPETITIVE NATURE OF SELECTIVE INSTITUTIONS

Many institutions considered selective or highly selective admit only a small percentage of applicants.

In recent admissions cycles, acceptance rates at certain institutions have fallen below ten percent and, in some cases, below five percent.

This means that even students with exceptional academic credentials may not receive offers of admission.

Admissions decisions may be influenced by institutional priorities unrelated to the applicant's qualifications.

These priorities may include institutional goals related to enrollment management, geographic diversity, or specific academic program capacity.

ARTICLE VI

LIMITATIONS OF CONSULTANT INFLUENCE

The Consultant has no authority to influence admissions decisions.

The Consultant does not maintain relationships with admissions committees that allow the Consultant to secure admissions outcomes.

The Consultant does not participate in admissions decision-making processes.

Admissions committees operate independently and evaluate applications confidentially.

Therefore, no consultant can guarantee admission outcomes.

ARTICLE VII

ADMISSIONS POLICY CHANGES

College admissions policies may change at any time without notice.

Examples of policy changes may include:

- changes to standardized testing requirements
- changes to essay requirements
- changes to application deadlines
- changes to financial aid policies
- changes to scholarship programs
- changes to admissions priorities

These changes may affect admissions outcomes.

The Consultant cannot predict or control such changes.

ARTICLE VIII

CLIENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR APPLICATION MATERIALS

The student applicant remains responsible for completing and submitting all application materials.

This includes responsibility for:

- submitting applications
- meeting deadlines
- ensuring accuracy of information
- arranging recommendation letters
- submitting test scores
- providing transcripts

The Consultant may assist with planning and organization but cannot assume responsibility for the completion of application tasks.

ARTICLE IX

AUTHENTICITY AND ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Colleges expect applicants to submit authentic and truthful materials.

The Consultant provides guidance regarding essay development but does not write essays for students.

The student remains responsible for the final content of all essays and application materials.

The student must ensure that all application materials accurately represent their experiences, achievements, and personal voice.

ARTICLE X

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP UNCERTAINTY

Financial aid decisions are determined by individual institutions and may depend on numerous factors including:

- family income
- family assets
- institutional financial aid budgets
- federal and state financial aid policies
- merit scholarship criteria

The Consultant cannot guarantee financial aid or scholarship outcomes.

ARTICLE XI

EXTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING ADMISSIONS

Admissions outcomes may be affected by external factors including:

- economic conditions
- global events
- institutional budget constraints
- public health crises
- regulatory changes

These factors are beyond the control of the Consultant.

ARTICLE XII

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Consultant shall not be liable for admissions outcomes, scholarship outcomes, or institutional decisions.

The Consultant's role is advisory.

The Consultant cannot control the actions of colleges or universities.

ARTICLE XIII

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

By engaging the Consultant's services, the Client acknowledges and accepts the inherent risks associated with the college admissions process.

The Client understands that admissions outcomes are uncertain and that no consultant can guarantee success.

ARTICLE XIV

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By signing below, the Client confirms that they have read and understood this Admissions Consulting Risk Disclosure and acknowledge the inherent uncertainties associated with the college admissions process.

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____