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From High School to College in One Click

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Agenda

- One Click Overview
- Opt-In Process Overview
- Frequently Asked Questions
- GAP Access
- GPA Data Transfer
- Resources

One Click College Admit Overview

One Click College Admit

- Illinois' FREE direct admissions program
- For public universities and community colleges
- Removes traditional college application barriers (e.g., application fees, essays, etc.)
- Eligibility is based on high school GPA
- This year two versions are available
 - One Click 1.0 (current seniors – class of 2026)
 - One Click 2.0 (current juniors – class of 2027)

Goal is to Make College More Accessible



Help **ALL** students understand that college is an option for them



Reduce barriers in applying to college



Establish a new pathway for student recruitment

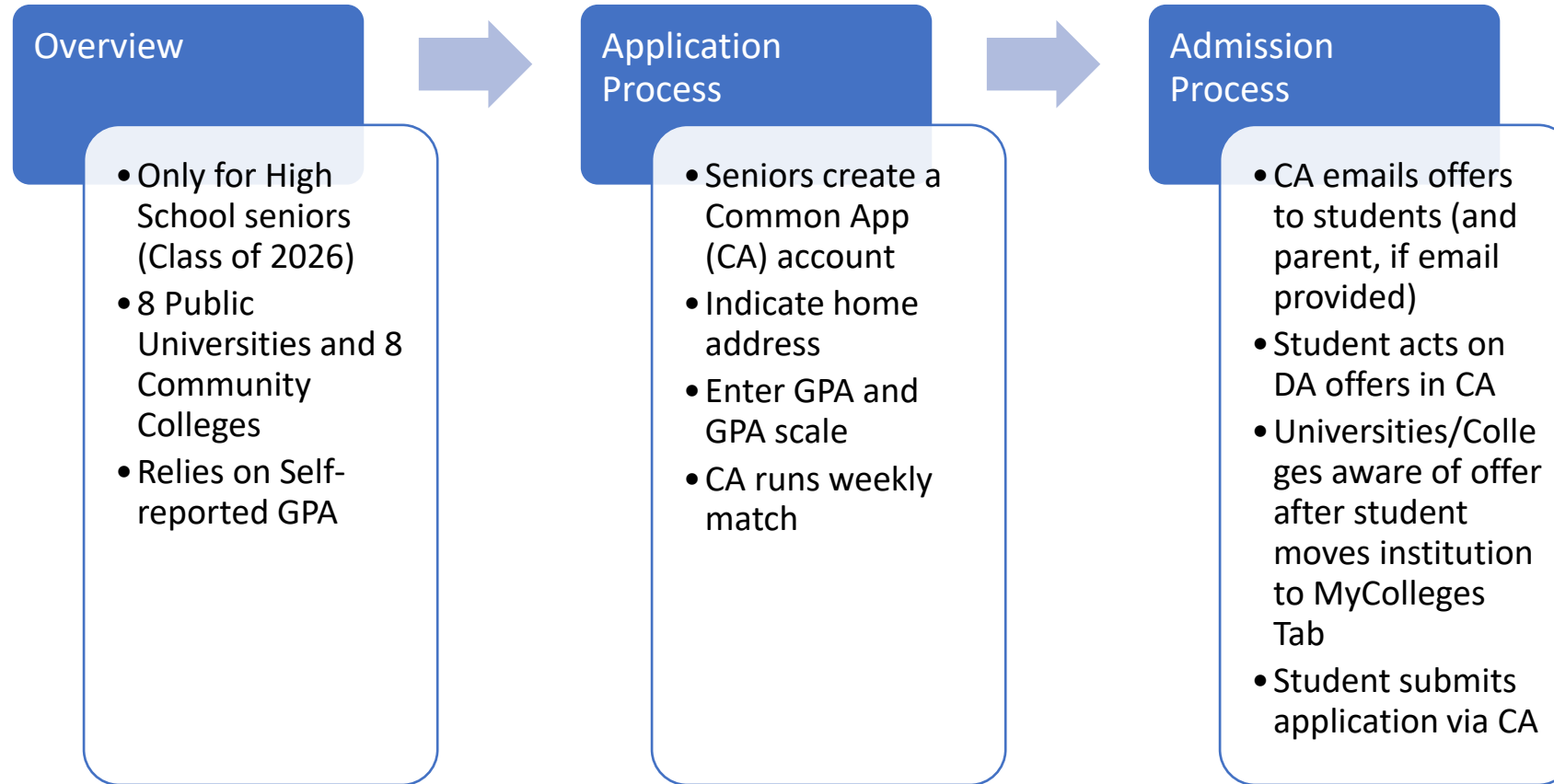


Ensures students have a transfer pathway to multiple options around the state

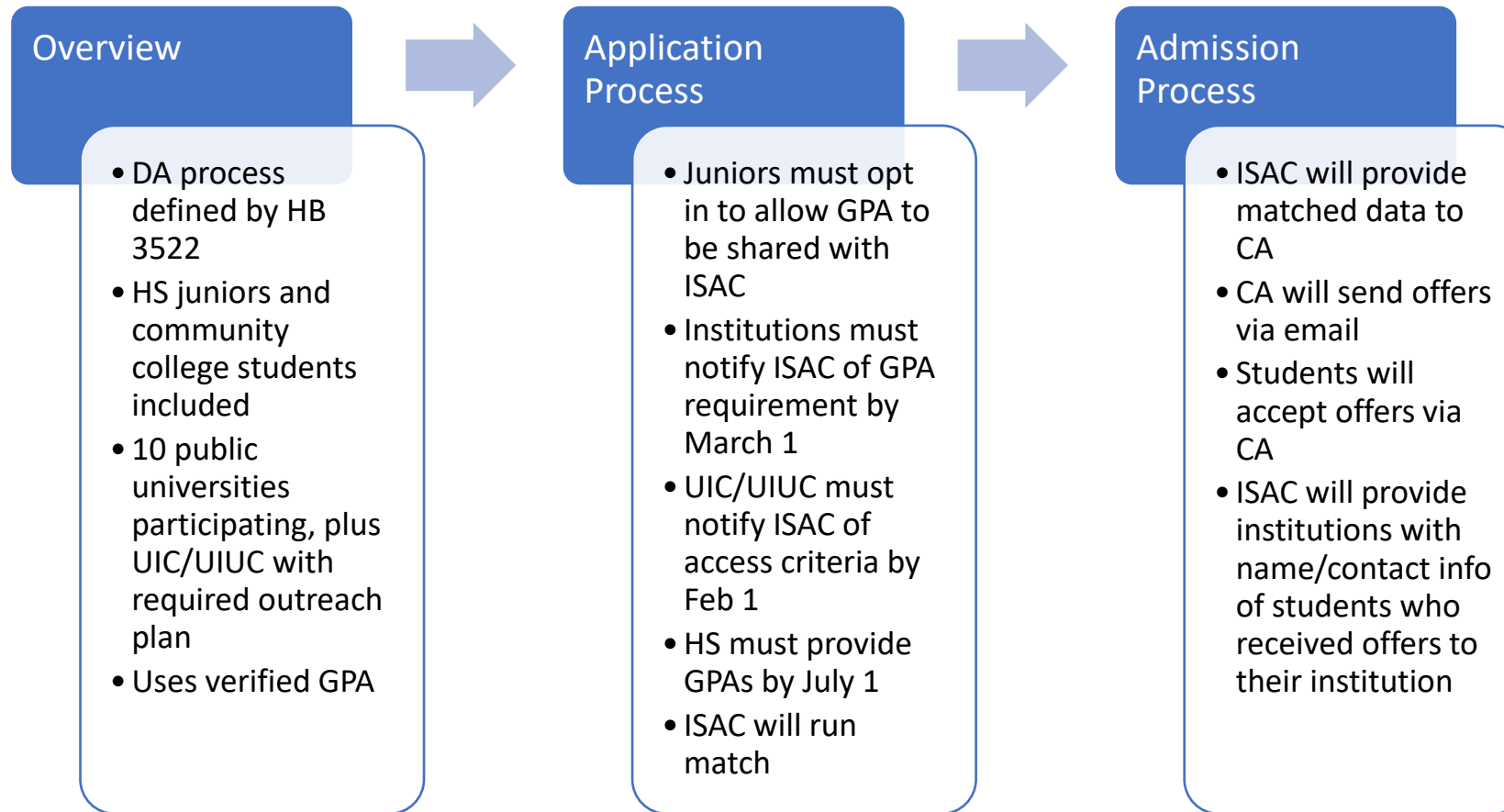


Help keep student talent and potential in Illinois

Current High School Seniors (1.0)



Current High School Juniors (2.0)



Participating Public Universities (Class of 2027)

Direct Admissions

- Chicago State
- EIU
- Governors State
- Illinois State
- NEIU
- NIU
- SIU Carbondale
- SIU Edwardsville

- UIS
- WIU

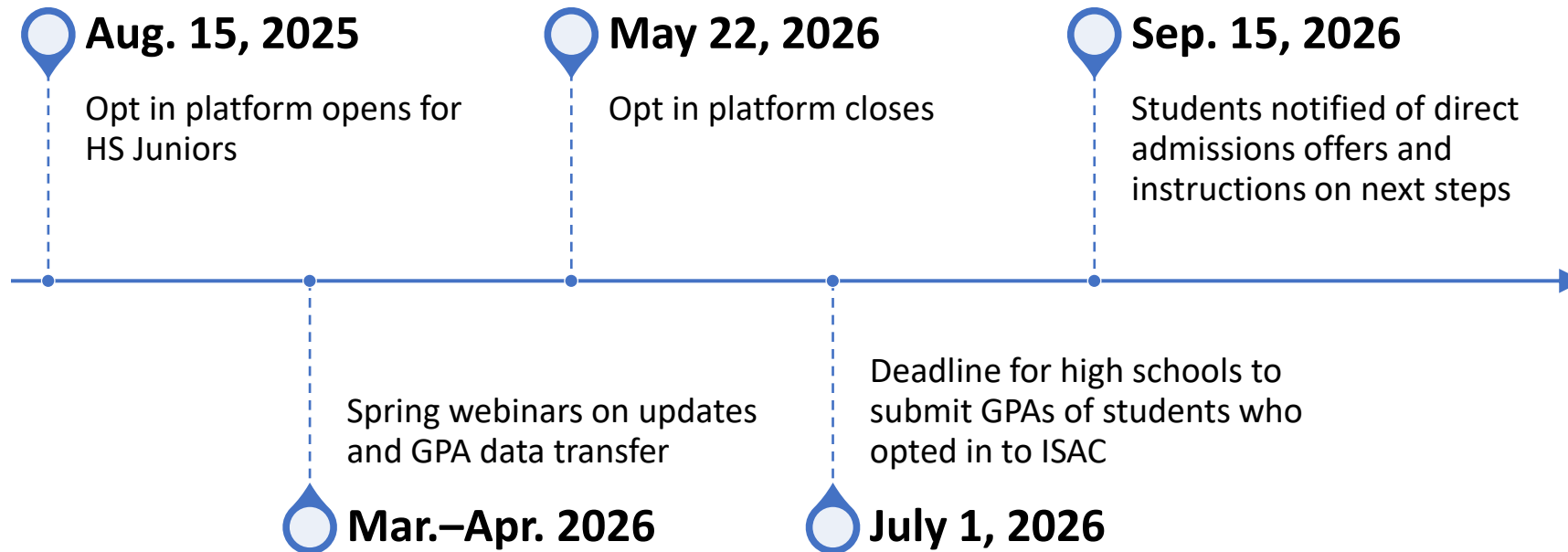
Awareness and Outreach

- UIC
- UIUC

Participating Community Colleges (Class of 2027)

- Black Hawk
- City Colleges of Chicago
- Danville Area
- College of DuPage
- East St. Louis
- Elgin
- Harper
- Heartland
- Highland
- Illinois Central
- Illinois Eastern
- Illinois Valley
- Joliet Junior College
- Kankakee
- Kaskaskia
- Kishwaukee
- College of Lake County
- Lake Land
- Lewis & Clark
- Lincoln Land
- John A. Logan
- McHenry County
- Moraine Valley
- Morton
- Oakton
- Parkland
- Prairie State
- Rend Lake
- Richland
- Rock Valley College
- Carl Sandburg
- Sauk Valley
- Shawnee
- South Suburban
- Southeastern Illinois
- Southwestern Illinois
- Spoon River
- Triton
- Waubonsee
- John Wood

Timeline for Class of 2027



Opt-In Process Overview

Opt-in Process

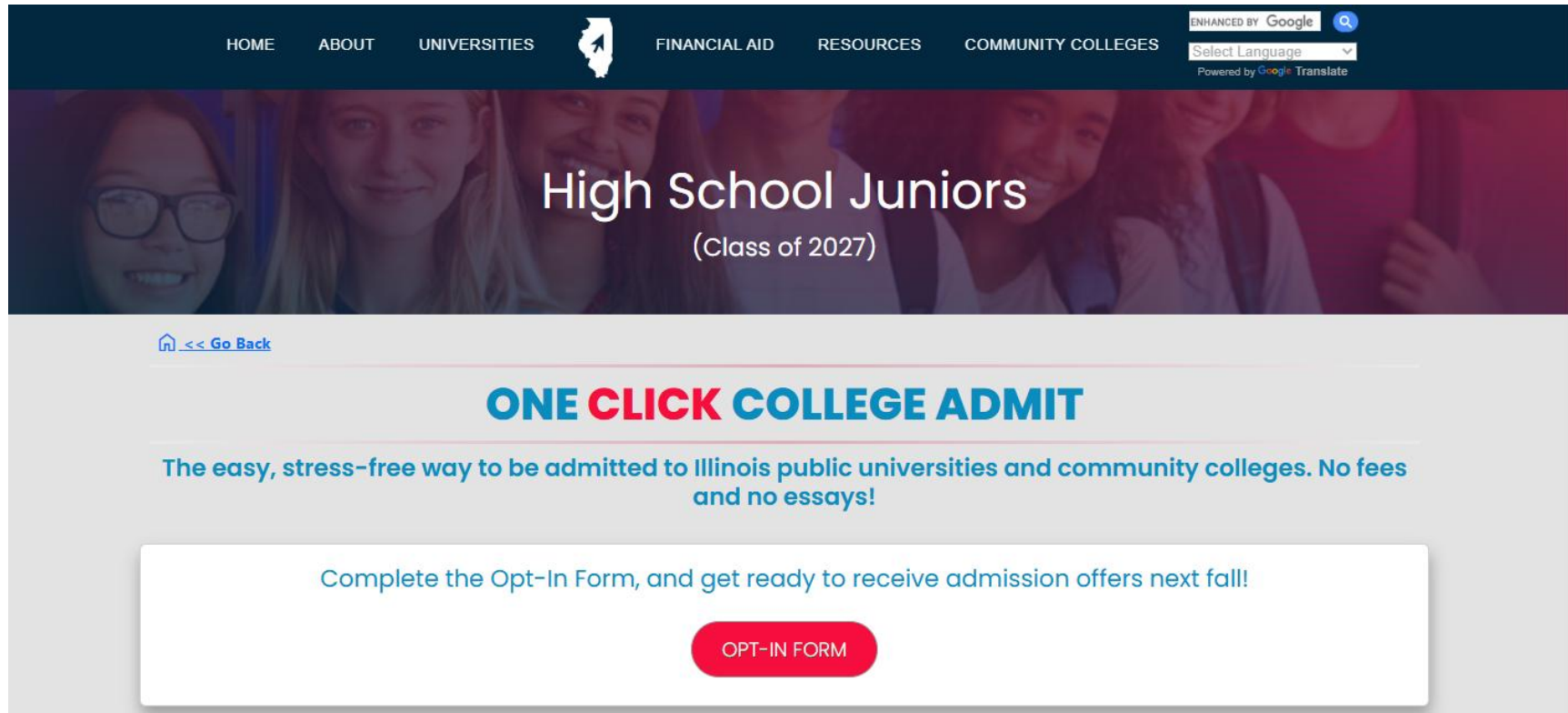
- Program requires student consent (or parent, if student is under 18)
- Opt-in required to be matched for direct admission
- ISAC will host the platform for students to opt in
- Accessible via One Click College Admit website
- Platform is modeled after the FAFSA Nonparticipation Form (opt out form)
- Counselors can view list of opt-ins in GAP Access


Opt-In Data Collected



- Required fields
 - Student's name
 - Home address
 - Date of birth
 - Telephone number
 - Email address
 - High school/community college (must be an IL school)
 - College ID number – community college students
- Optional Demographic Questions – (HS Students Only)
 - First generation status
 - Race/ethnicity
 - Gender
 - ISAC Q&A sign up

One Click College Admit Opt-In Walkthrough

Students must opt-in before the 5/22/26 deadline!



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High School Juniors (Class of 2027)

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ONE CLICK COLLEGE ADMIT

The easy, stress-free way to be admitted to Illinois public universities and community colleges. No fees and no essays!

Complete the Opt-In Form, and get ready to receive admission offers next fall!

[OPT-IN FORM](#)

Opt-in Form Walkthrough

Create an account to access the Opt-In form

Apply now.

DIRECT ADMISSION ILLINOIS: ONE CLICK COLLEGE ADMIT

One Click College Admit is an initiative of the State of Illinois and is the state's free, quick, and stress-free direct admissions program into most state public universities and all community colleges. For general admission to a state university or community college, there are no application fees, no essays, and no letters of recommendation required! Say goodbye to the lengthy application process. The only requirement to be considered for admission into most of the state's universities is your GPA. If you meet the university's GPA requirement, you're in!

[START APPLICATION](#)

Have an account? Log In to make the application process faster, or create an account for future applications. ✕

[LOGIN](#) [SIGN UP](#)

[LOGIN](#)


[Forgot Password?](#)


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Opt-in Form: Student Type


What type of student are you?

This program is available for high school juniors and community college students intending to transfer to a public four year university.


Public High School


Private High School Student


Homeschool High School Student


Community College Student

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Opt-in Form: Student Consent and Release

Direct Admission Illinois: One Click College Admit Opt-In Participation FERPA and Illinois School Student Records Act Consent & Release

The Public University Direct Admission Program Act gives Illinois students an opportunity to be directly admitted to any of ten Illinois public universities (the University of Illinois at Springfield, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Chicago State University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois University, Northern Illinois University, Western Illinois University) and their local community college through the *One Click College Admit* direct admissions program.

One Click College Admit removes the lengthy admission process, complicated applications, and costly application fees of applying for higher education. Each participating student will be matched for **automatic general admission** into participating universities and colleges by reviewing the student's current cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) with the established standards for admission set by each university and college. Students will be informed of their eligibility for general admission at any matched universities and their local community college.

Students have privacy rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) and the Illinois School Student Records Act. Each student, or their parent/guardian, must give permission for their high school to share the student's cumulative GPA under these laws to participate in *One Click College Admit*. By signing this form, permission is granted for the student's high school to share the student's cumulative GPA and the information on this form with the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC), the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE), the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB), and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) for the purposes of administering *One Click College Admit* under the Public University Direct Admission Program Act. Pursuant to the Illinois School Code, the student's GPA and the information provided on this form will further be provided only to the Illinois public universities, for which the student qualifies under One Click College Admit, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the University of Illinois at Chicago if the student qualifies under Section 20 of the Public University Direct Admission Program Act, the community college district where the student resides, and to the Common App (www.commonapp.org), which is a third party that operates a statewide student application portal for the purposes of communicating with students regarding their direct admission offers and completion of the admission process. The student's GPA and information provided on this form may not be disclosed to any other individual or entity unless the student or parent/guardian consents to such disclosure.

Students are under no obligation to participate in *One Click College Admit*. The student's decision to participate in *One Click College Admit*, as well as any college and universities to which the student is offered general admission, may be shared with the student's high school.

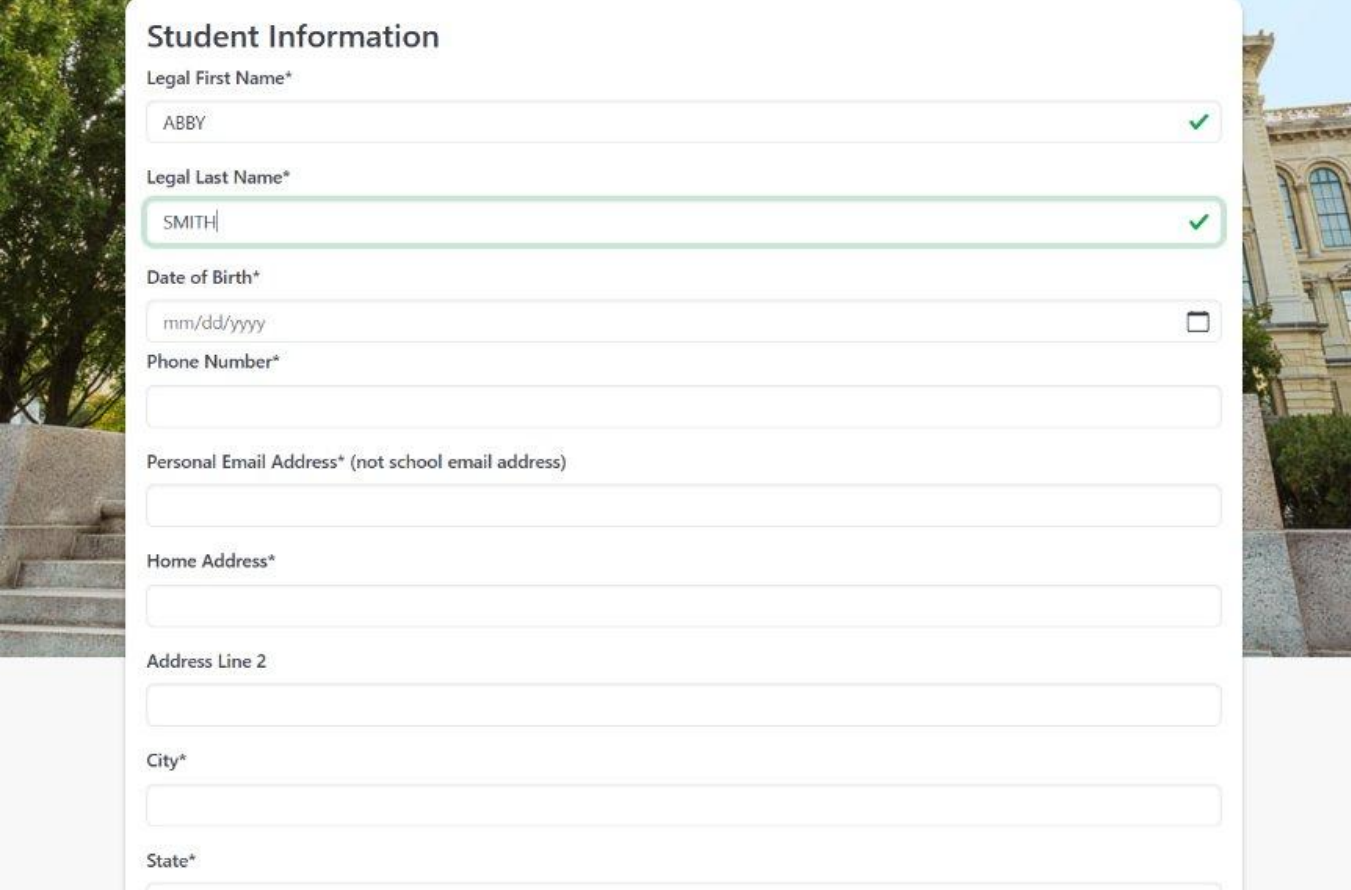
Students may always and are encouraged to apply via the traditional application process to any university or college that does not offer the student direct admission.

I have read and agreed to the Agreement above
If you're under 18, parent information is required for consent

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Opt-in Form: Student Information



Student Information

Legal First Name*
ABBY ✓

Legal Last Name*
SMITH ✓

Date of Birth*
mm/dd/yyyy

Phone Number*

Personal Email Address* (not school email address)

Home Address*

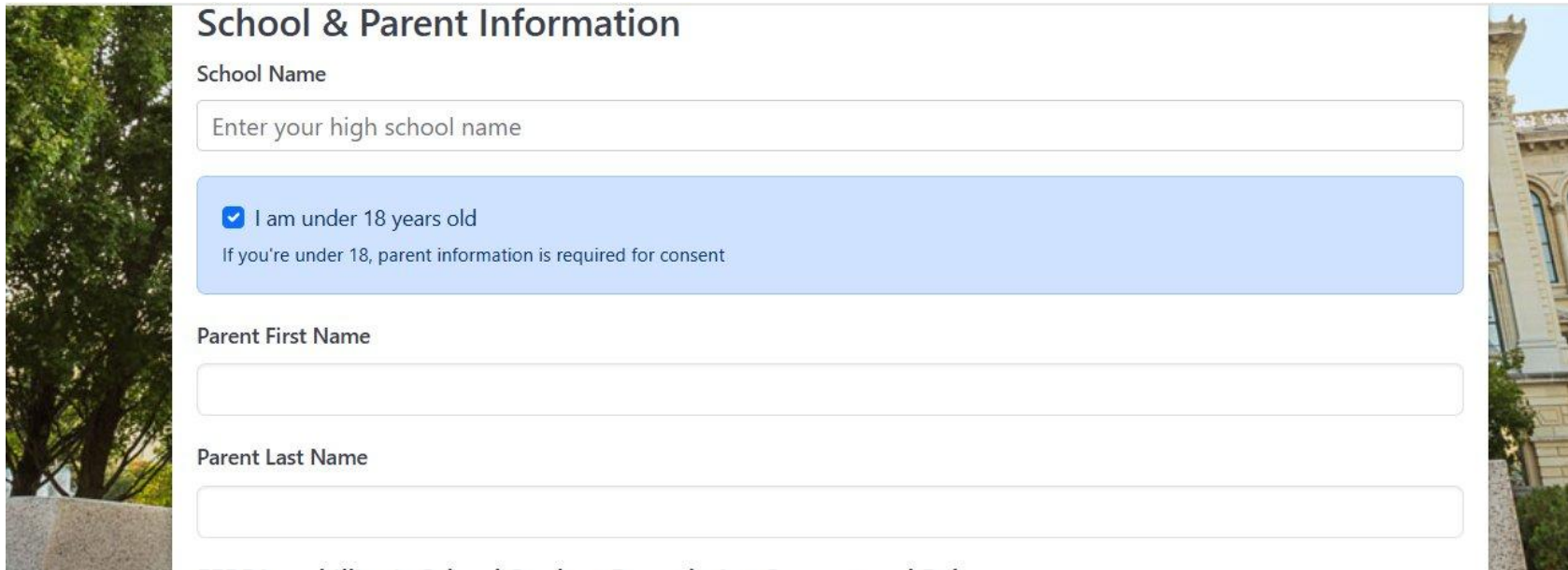
Address Line 2

City*

State*

Opt-in Form: School & Parent Information

If the student is under 18, parent information is also required for consent



School & Parent Information

School Name

Enter your high school name

I am under 18 years old
If you're under 18, parent information is required for consent.

Parent First Name

Parent Last Name

Opt-in Form: Parent Consent and Release

FERPA and Illinois School Student Records Act Consent and Release

By my signature below, I state the following for myself or my child, as applicable. I give my high school permission to release the specified school student education records (specifically, the student's cumulative GPA, and information provided on this form, referred to as "Direct Admissions Information") to ISAC, to IBHE, to ISBE, to ICCB, to any matched public universities and community colleges, and to the Common App for use in administering the *One Click College Admit* program. I understand that I have the right not to consent to the release of my educational records and to decline participation in *One Click College Admit*. I understand that I have the right to inspect and copy any records released, to challenge their contents under the Illinois School Student Records Act, and to limit this consent to designated portions of the records or information contained therein. I understand that my participation does not guarantee my direct admission to any specific college or university of my choosing. I understand that although reasonable measures will be taken to safeguard my information, there is no guarantee that disclosure of information can be fully secure, and I release and waive the board of education of my school district, my school district, including my high school, the Common App, ISAC, ICCB, IBHE, and ISBE, and their respective officials, employees, and agents from any and all claims and liability arising out of or related to the release of Direct Admissions Information pursuant to this consent. My high school and ISAC may disclose, for the purposes of the *One Click College Admit* program, any of the above listed educational records without further written consent, unless the high school and ISAC are notified in writing to the contrary. This signed release will remain in effect for twenty-four months after the date of submission of this consent, or until such time that I may revoke the release by providing written notification to my high school and to ISAC.

Parent's Signature

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Opt-in Form: Optional Questions for High School Juniors

Optional Questions

The following demographic questions are optional and help us better serve students.

What is your gender

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Prefer not to answer

Please select your race/ethnicity (select all that apply)

- American Indian, Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Prefer not to answer
- Some other race and/or ethnicity

What's the highest level of education completed by either of your parents?

- Did not complete High School
- Completed High School
- Some College, no degree
- Associate Degree
- Bachelor's Degree
- Master's Degree
- Doctorate
- Unknown

ISAC College Q&A Text Messages

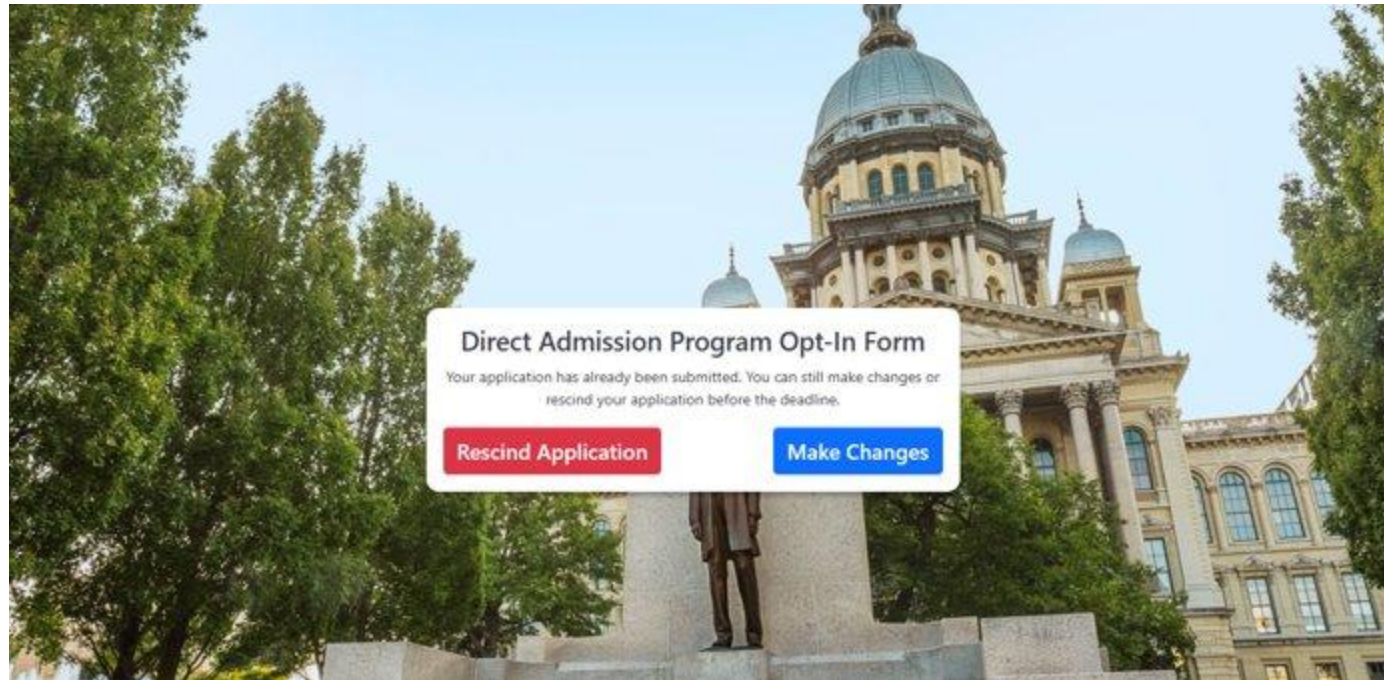
I would like to receive valuable information on the college-going process via ISAC text messaging.
Recommended — This service provides helpful college planning tips and reminders

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Submit Opt-In Form ✓

Opt-in Form: Rescind Application or Make Changes

Once Opt-In form is submitted, you can either make changes or rescind application before the 5/22/26 deadline



Frequently Asked Questions

Are Illinois students who attend out-of-state high schools eligible for One Click College Admit offers?

No. The program is based on attending an Illinois high school, not on where a student lives. If a student lives in Illinois but goes to a high school out of state, they wouldn't be eligible.

Is opting in a commitment to attend a college?

No. Opting in simply allows colleges to share admissions offers. It does not require students to enroll. Students are free to continue exploring their college choices.

Do students just opt in junior year and then create their Common App account senior year and start adding schools?

Yes! As long as they use the same email address for the opt-in form as they do to create their Common App account, come senior year the DA offers will appear in that student's account

GAP Access

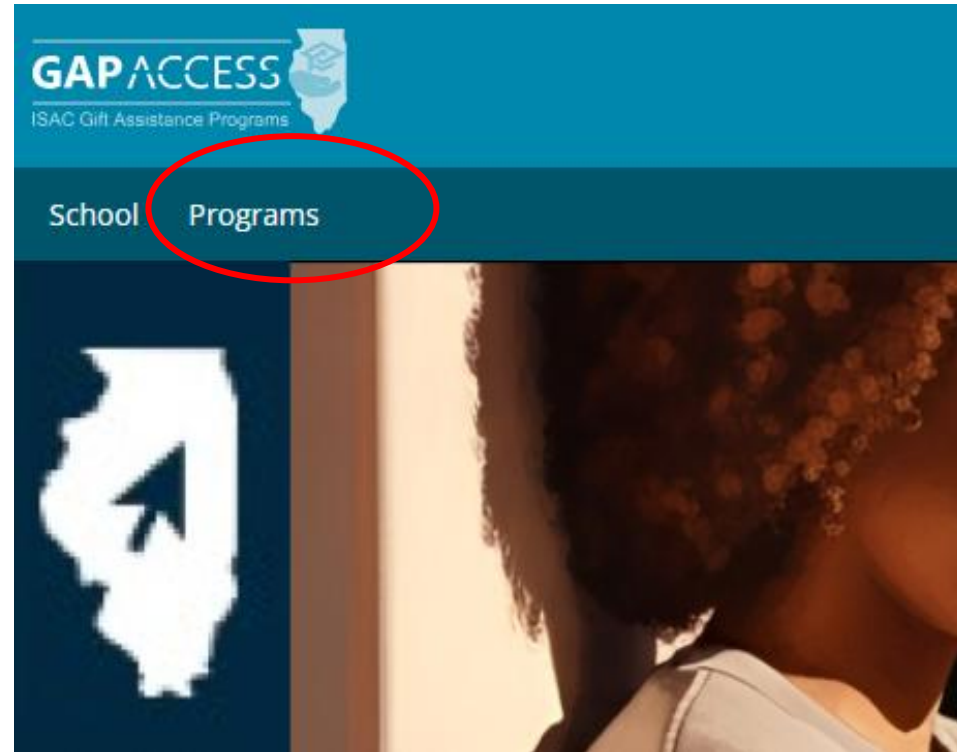
GAP Access Portal

- Online portal used for application submissions, determining program eligibility, and payment requests for ISAC-administered programs
- **One Click College Admit** opt in data for the Class of 2027 is now available in GAP Access
 - Users may need to get access from their primary administrator (principal or other) to see OCCA data

Accessing the One Click College Admit Home Page

Counselors can log in to GAP Access

- In the top right-hand corner, there is a Programs option
- Select “One Click College Admit” option



Home Page

Home / Direct Admission Illinois: One Click College Admit

List

SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name
BARTLETT HIGH SCHOOL

School Type School Code
HS 140213

Address
701 SCHICK RD
BARTLETT, IL 60103

Phone Number
(630) 372-4700

PRINCIPAL
TIMOTHY BRODEUR
(630) 972-4700
timotybrodeur@u-46.org


Opt In Count for the class of 2027

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Student Applications

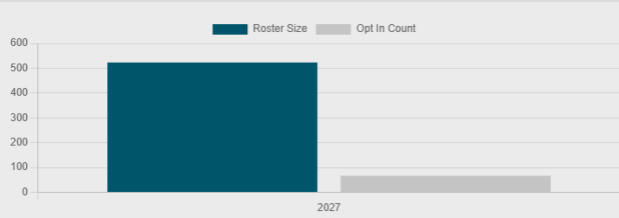
Percent Opt Ins

12.8%



SUMMARY

Graduation Year	Roster Size	Opt Ins	Completed FAFSA	Completed FAFSA Opt Out	Opt In Admitted	Opt In Receiving Letter	Opt In Completed FAFSA	Opt In Completed FAFSA Opt Out
2027	523	67	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Note: Only available for 2.0 Opt in Data (Class of 2027)

Home Page: School Information

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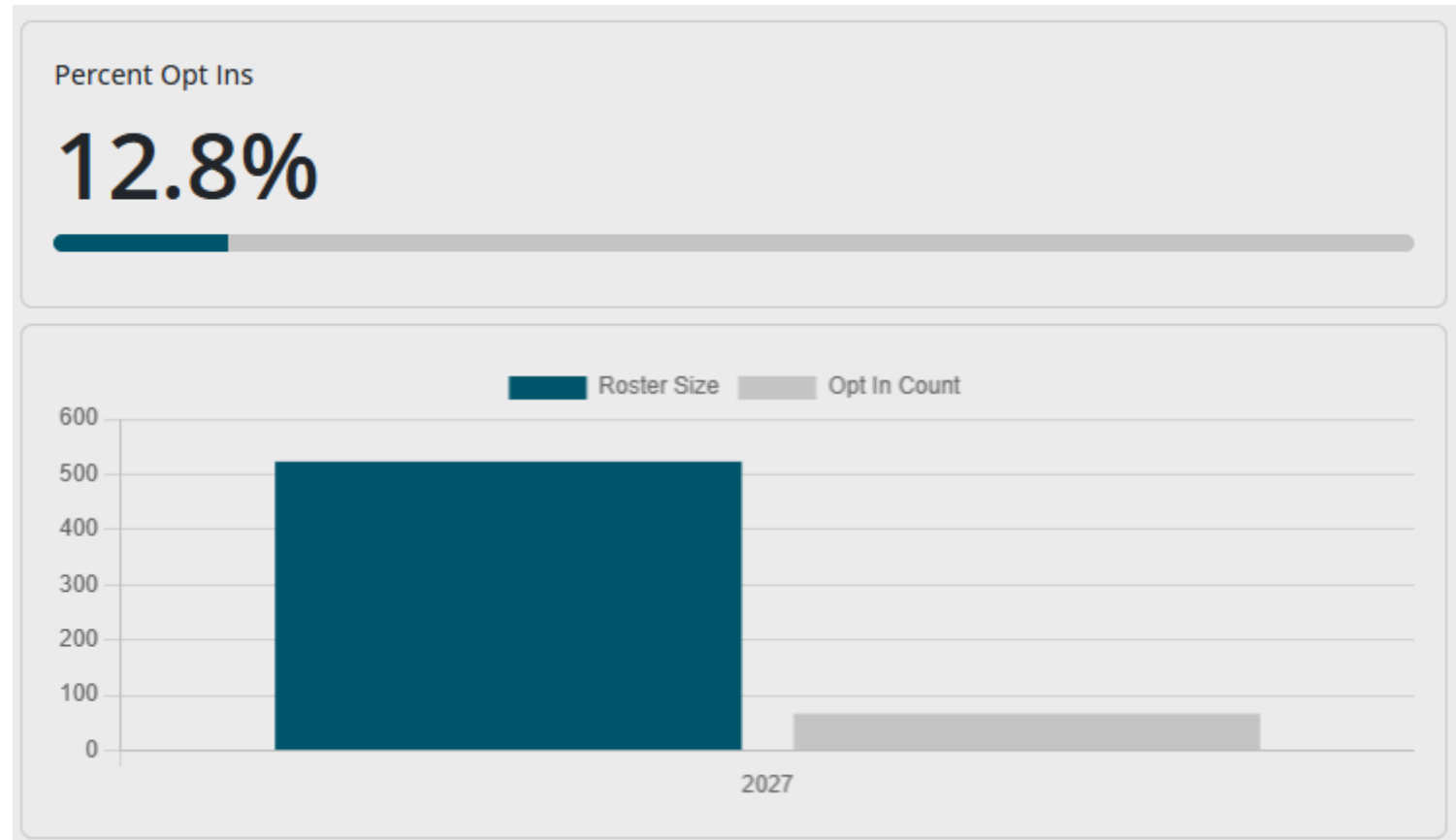
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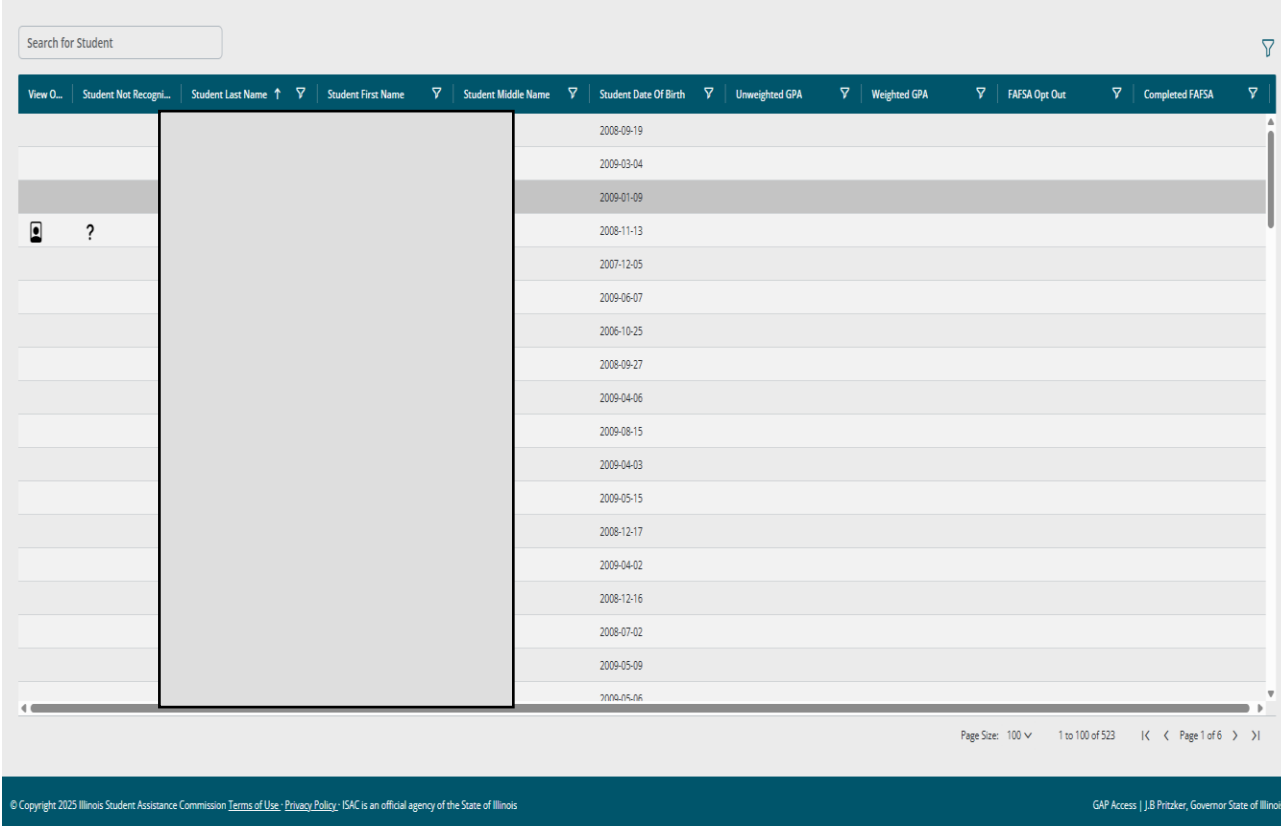
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Home Page: Percent Opt Ins



Home Page: Student Roster

- Student Name
- Student Date of Birth
- Unweighted GPA
- Weighted GPA
- FAFSA Opt Out
- Completed FAFSA



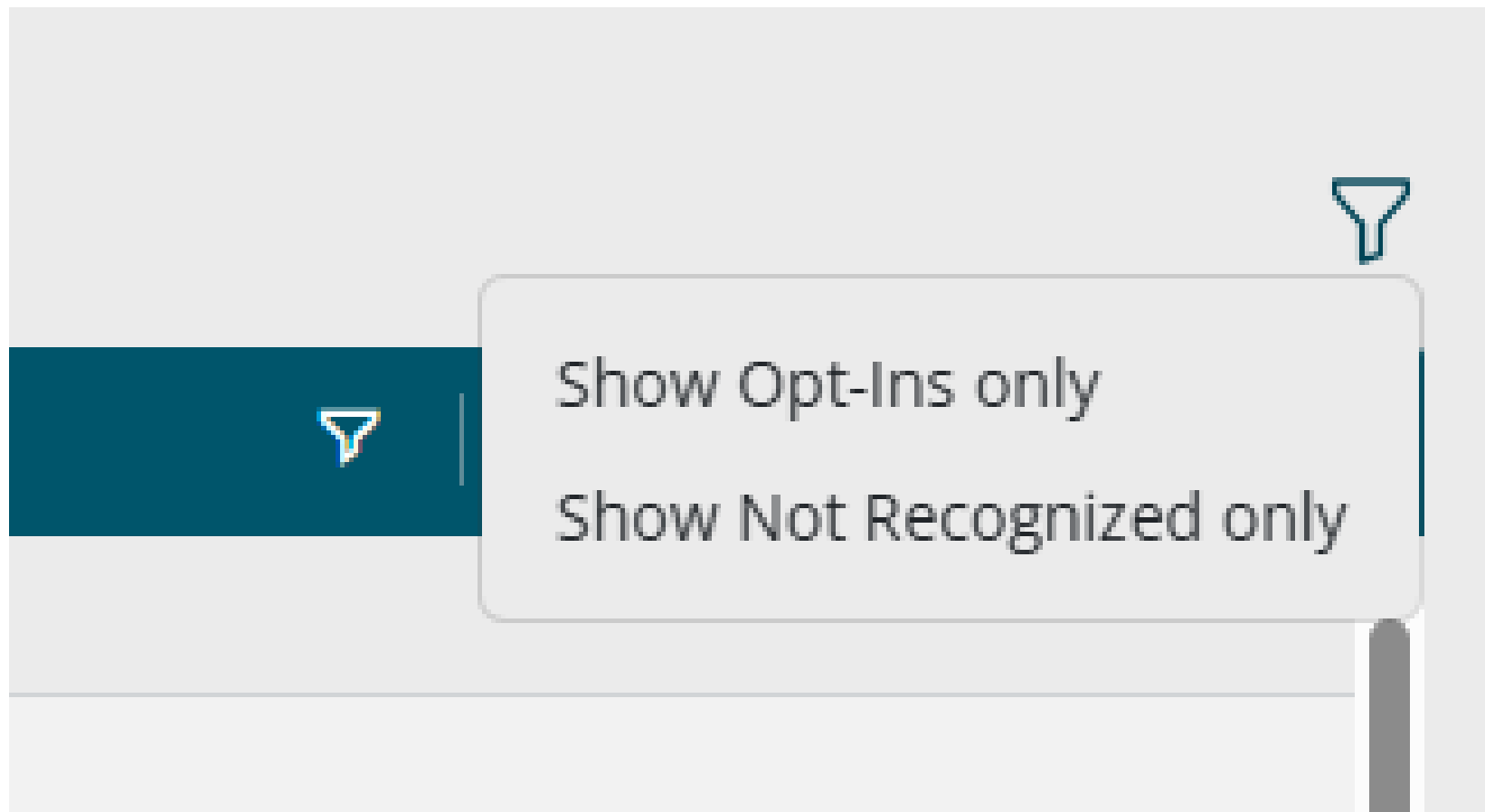
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Home Page: Table Filters

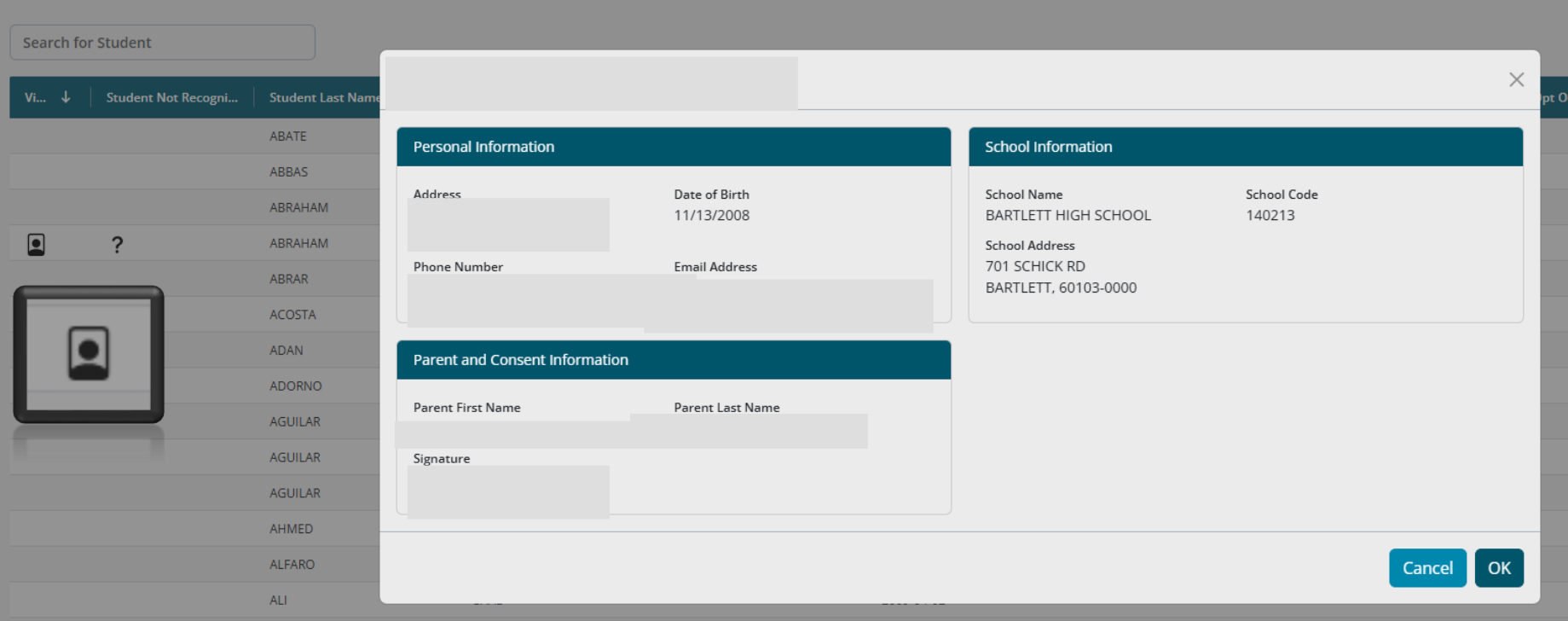


Home Page: Column Filter and Search

Search for Student

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Home Page: Application Details Icon

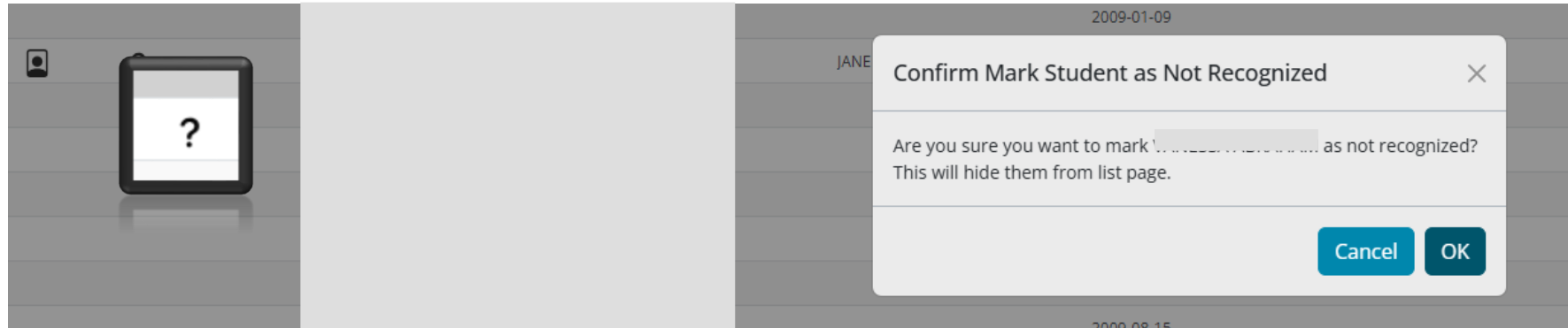


The screenshot displays a web application interface. On the left, there is a search bar labeled "Search for Student" and a list of student last names: ABATE, ABBAS, ABRAHAM, ABRAHAM, ABRAR, ACOSTA, ADAN, ADORNO, AGUILAR, AGUILAR, AGUILAR, AHMED, ALFARO, and ALI. A modal window is open in the center, containing three sections of information:

- Personal Information:**
 - Address: [Redacted]
 - Date of Birth: 11/13/2008
 - Phone Number: [Redacted]
 - Email Address: [Redacted]
- School Information:**
 - School Name: BARTLETT HIGH SCHOOL
 - School Code: 140213
 - School Address: 701 SCHICK RD, BARTLETT, 60103-0000
- Parent and Consent Information:**
 - Parent First Name: [Redacted]
 - Parent Last Name: [Redacted]
 - Signature: [Redacted]

At the bottom right of the modal, there are "Cancel" and "OK" buttons.

Home Page: Not Recognized Icon Window



Home Page: Not Recognized Icon Window (continued)

- Mark a student as “Not Recognized” if they are not a student enrolled at your school
- The student's name, date of birth, and school in the opt in form must match what is on the student roster for the data match to occur
- If the student’s name does not match the name on the roster, ask the student to correct their name and a rematch will occur

Note: All student data discrepancies must be resolved before the May 22 opt-in deadline



GPA Data Transfer

Data Collection Process

- Data for both One Click College Admit (OCCA) and ISAC's State Scholar Program (SSP) will be collected through an annual High School Data Collection process at the end of the academic year.
- Data collection will begin on **May 18**
- All required data must be submitted to ISAC no later than **July 1** to ensure timely OCCA data matching and related summer follow ups.
- High school counselors will still be able to choose one of two electronic methods for submitting data:
 - Upload Excel Spreadsheet to GAP Access
 - Online Data Entry in GAP Access

Data Collection Population

- High schools must provide data for the entire class of juniors, even if a student does not appear to meet State Scholar Program eligibility criteria.
- One data entry will be used for SSP and OCCA
 - A student that does not meet the eligibility for the State Scholar Program may still qualify for direct admission into Illinois public institutions through OCCA.

Data Collection Fields

- For OCCA, the only required data field needed is the **student 6th semester unweighted GPA**.
- Along with the high school profile, include these student fields
 - Student Data: Full Name; Home Address, City, State, Zip Code, Student DOB
 - Student's 6th Semester GPA Data:
 - Unweighted GPA (Mandatory)
 - Weighted GPA (*if available*)
 - Student's 6th Semester Class Rank for SSP
 - Disqualification Codes for SSP (provided in the SSP guides)

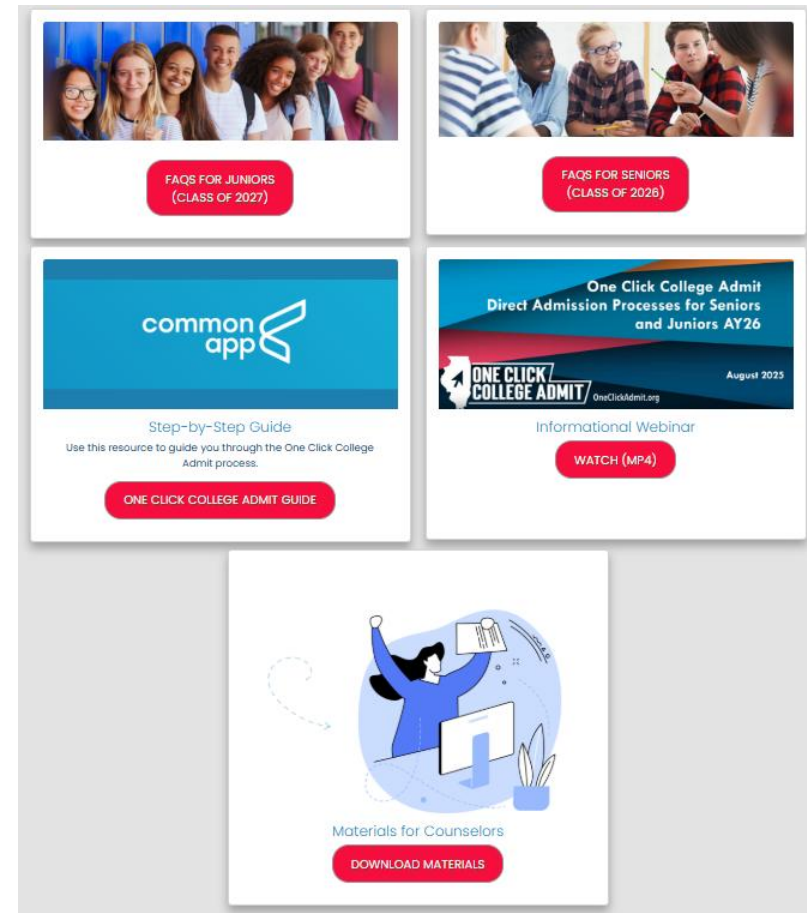
Questions?

Resources

One Click College Admit Resources Page

Resources to help families navigate One Click College Admit

- How to Opt In walkthroughs
- FAQs for juniors
- FAQs for seniors
- Step-by-Step Guide
- Informational webinar recording
- Downloadable materials for counselors

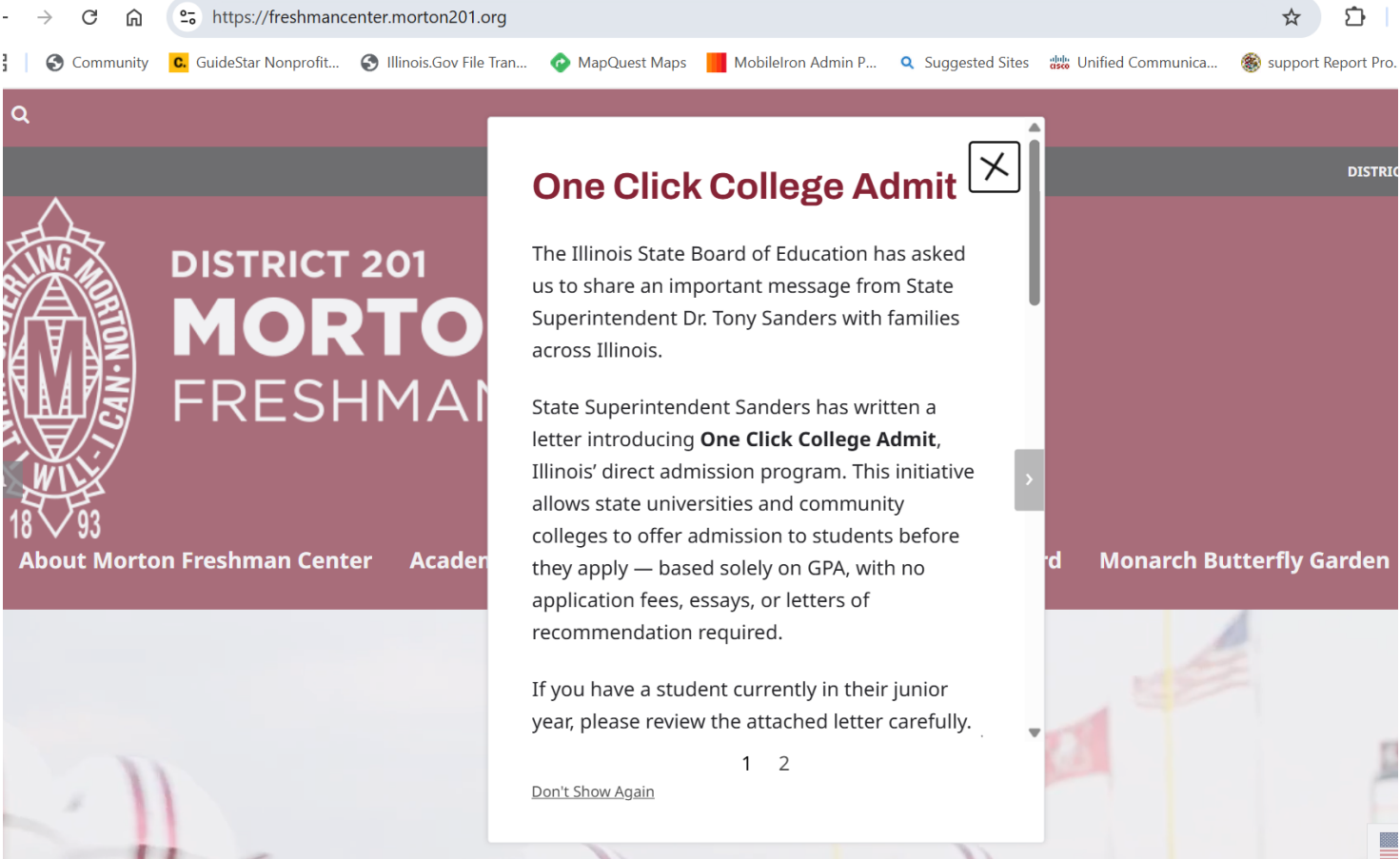


One Click College Admit Workshop Toolkit (Class of 2027+)

- An overview of the OCCA workshop purpose, setting options, and intended impact
- A step-by-step description of the process and timeline overview
- A pre- and post-workshop checklist
- A list of student and parent FAQs
- A quick script for workshop facilitation



School Promotional Example



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying <https://freshmancenter.morton201.org>. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The website content is partially obscured by a white modal window titled "One Click College Admit".

One Click College Admit

The Illinois State Board of Education has asked us to share an important message from State Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders with families across Illinois.

State Superintendent Sanders has written a letter introducing **One Click College Admit**, Illinois' direct admission program. This initiative allows state universities and community colleges to offer admission to students before they apply — based solely on GPA, with no application fees, essays, or letters of recommendation required.

If you have a student currently in their junior year, please review the attached letter carefully.

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[Don't Show Again](#)

The background website features a maroon header with the Morton Freshman Center logo and the text "DISTRICT 201 MORTON FRESHMAN". Navigation links include "About Morton Freshman Center", "Academy", and "Monarch Butterfly Garden".

<https://www.morton201.org/>

ISAC Support – The ISACorps

- The ISACorps are near-peer mentors that support students and families with:
 - Postsecondary and career exploration
 - Scholarship searches
 - Completion of financial aid applications
- To find your local ISACorps member you may enter your zip code or schedule a virtual meeting by using [ISAC Booking](#)

Thinking about education after high school? Complete your 2025-26 financial aid application!

If you are applying to college for 2025-26, you will want to complete the 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA® so you can get money to help pay for the college or certificate program that is right for you! Find the FAFSA at fafsa.gov. Some students may complete the 2025-26 Alternative Application for Illinois Financial Aid to apply for state financial aid only. Find the Alt App at isac.org/AlternativeApp.

There's free help available from the ISACorps to help you complete your application in as little as 30 minutes! Schedule an appointment for a free one-on-one virtual meeting at isac.org/booking to complete your financial aid application, or attend a free financial aid application completion workshop in your community. Check out [ISAC Events](#) for more info.

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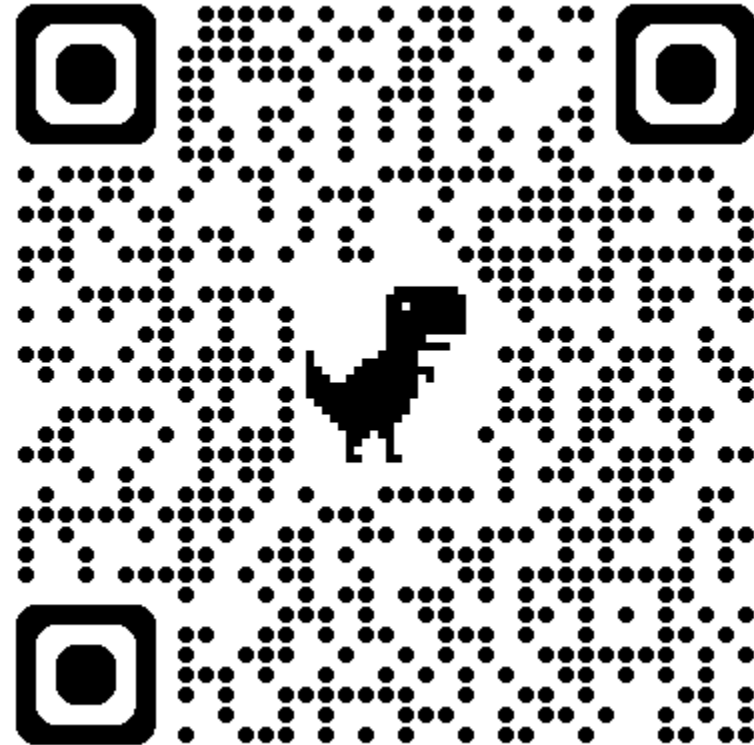
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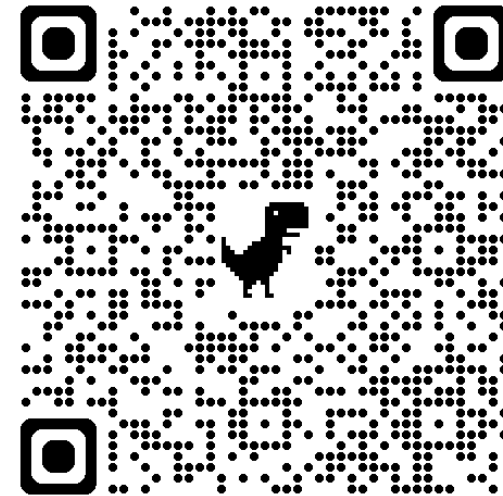
Upcoming One Click College Admit Webinars for Professionals

- April 14, 9:00-10:00am
- May 1, 12:00-1:00pm
- May 18, 9:00-10:00am



Virtual One Click College Admit Workshops

- The ISACorps is hosting virtual One Click College Admit workshops! Each session will have a live walkthrough of the opt-in form and live chat support for questions
 - Upcoming: Thursday March 26 at 12pm
 - Students/families can register at: <http://www.isac.org/OCCA-workshops>
- Please feel free to spread the word!



First Up: Insights for Student Success

Spring 2026



FIRST GEN NEWSLETTER



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Read:

[It Starts With Access: How Institutions Are Supporting First Generation Students](#)
Understanding financial aid is one of the biggest challenges for first generation students. Beyond simply providing financial aid, some institutions are creating programs with wraparound services such as college life skills coaching, peer mentorship, financial aid advising, and more.

Watch:

ISAC College Minute® Video

[What Motivated Me to Go to College?](#)

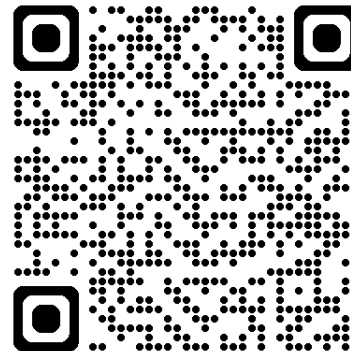
Listen to ISACorps alumna and first generation college graduate Leslie Vizuet share what – and who – motivated her to pursue education after high school.

Listen:

First Up: Brought to You by ISAC

[Episode 39: Combatting Barriers](#)

Hosts Brian White and Jasmine Jetton-Gonzales discuss issues commonly faced by first-generation college students such as Imposter Syndrome, balancing family responsibilities, financial and mental health struggles, and helpful tips for how practitioners can better support first generation students.



Start A Conversation

Use these questions to spark meaningful conversations and better understand students' perspectives:

Low-risk: What excites you about going to college?

Encourages positive, easy-to-share thoughts about hopes and interests.

High-risk: In what ways do you think going to college might change you?

Prompts deeper reflection on personal growth and identity; best in a trusting environment.

Resources for Your First Gen Success Toolkit

[Glossary of Terms to Know](#)

Terms like "articulation agreement," "CLEP," and "duplicate credit," can be confusing, especially if a student is the first in their family to go to college.

Comprehension can be the key to graduating on time. This glossary of terms from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville is a great tool for students and professionals alike to understand jargon used in the world of higher education.

[Social Media](#)

[First Gen Empower](#)

A nonprofit dedicated to helping first gen, low-income, and immigrant students thrive in their college and career journeys.



Nugget of Wisdom

"Every student brings their own strengths and challenges to their educational journey. Meeting each student where they are can make all the difference." – Manuel Talavera, former ISACorps alumnus and first gen college student

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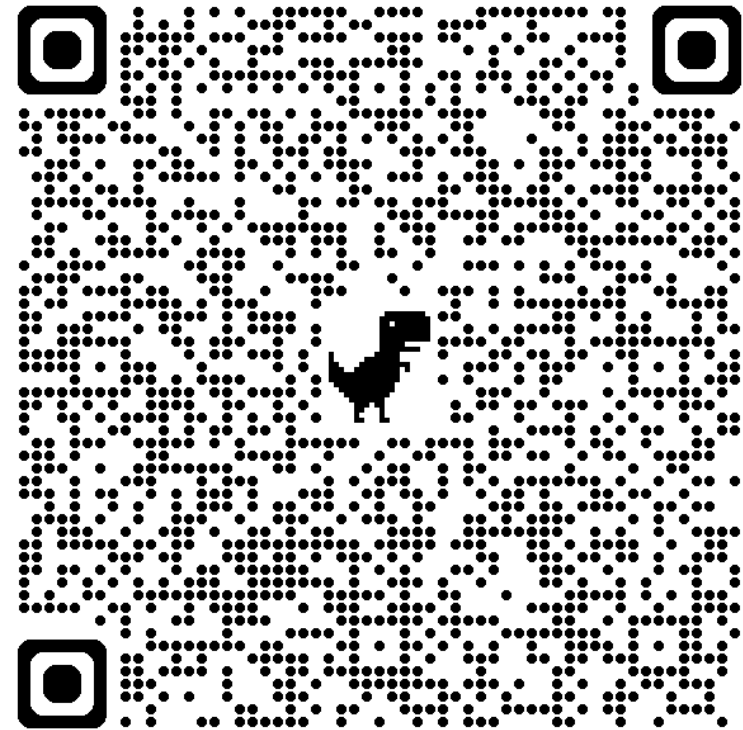
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