# 2022 College Exploration Summer Tour

June 20<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### **Program Objectives**

- Expose students to different types of schools
- Foster connections between GMHS and institutions of higher education
- Teach students how to assess schools and what questions to ask on tours and info sessions
- Demystify the college search and application process for students and their families

#### **Participants**

- 20 Students Total:
  - Grade 10 5 students
  - Grade 11 13 students
  - Grade 12 2 students
- 2 Chaperones:
  - Mara Henze, College & Career Center Coordinator
  - Jacky Paton, Science Teacher

# **Itinerary**

Monday, June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Wednesday, June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Thursday, June 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Southern Connecticut State University	Salve Regina University	Clark University	University of Connecticut
Quinnipiac University	University of Rhode Island	College of the Holy Cross	University of Hartford

#### Terms that popped up and discussed with students

- College vs. University
- Colleges with religious affiliation
- Internships at small schools vs. big schools
- "Free" means covered in costs/fees
- STEM vs. Humanities
- Liberal Arts
- Meal plans

- Demonstrated interest
- Campus branches
- Consortiums
- Who reads your application
- Regional admissions
- Study abroad
- Financial Aid: loans vs. grants
- Division I vs. Division II

#### **Daily Wrap-Up for Parents Covered:**

- The differences between and the benefits of public vs. private institutions and small vs. large schools
- How to get the most out of a tour (even in the rain) and what makes a good tour guide
- The FAFSA, jobs on campus, the importance of scholarships, and Division I athletics
- What Admissions is looking for in an application and the difference between Division I and Division III sports

# SCSU: Sibling Sighting & Info Session





# **Quinnipiac & Pit Stop on Wooster Street**





# Matching on the URI Tour





## Salve Regina University and Newport, RI views



### **UConn: Gampel Pavilion & The DAIRY BAR**





