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Beaverton, Oregon

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Dear Lori,

*I wanted to let you know how well the **VH College-Bound 101** program worked for our family. My 13 year-old daughter, Mikaela, was too to apply to college, but we found a creative and very successful twist for using Pam Gilbert-Bugbee's services. Because of Pam's help, **Mikaela applied to three boarding schools and was accepted by all of them with scholarship and financial aid offers!** Pam helped us find a college-prep boarding school which would be a good fit for Mikaela and would be affordable (boarding schools run about 35-45K per year!) Even though Pam usually workd with college-bound students, she was able to help us too.*

These were some of the things that she assisted with and guided us to do:

- Created homeschool transcripts (we're very eclectic)
- Developed a parent statement that showed we were teaching Mikaela, to make up for not having grades or tests
- Showed us which schools have the best endowments (and highest scholarships), and taught us how to interpret rankings, as well as what to look for
- Prepped Mikaela for the SSAT (Secondary Schools Admission Test)
- Tutored her in Miller Analogies and gave her timed practice essays
- Prepped her for admissions interviews
- Researched and discussed pros and cons of different schools

In addition, Pam called the target schools to get another perspective and to ask questions that never occurred to me. She was always friendly, encouraging, and kept us focused, staying incontact with us throughout the entire process. I would definitely recommend Pam to anyone who wants to enhance their children's opportunities for prep-schools, boarding schools, or college. Her prices are very reasonable, especially considering how much money we are going to save on tuition!

Sincerely,

Gwyn Ewing (Mikaela's Mom)