



Educational experts with over **two decades of experience** in Costa Rica and the Americas, providing comprehensive academic consulting services.

Our students achieve admission to one of their top three universities.

Discover how we can guide your children towards academic success!



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# WHO ARE WE?

We are the premier team of educational consultants with a strong presence throughout the Latin American region. Our advisors and tutors have extensive professional backgrounds and are experts in their respective fields. Moreover, they mentor students to excel in their academic and professional careers by preparing them for higher education.

Since 2002, we have assisted students in the application and admission processes to various institutions, in addition to preparing them for standardized tests. We are incredibly proud that 93% of our students have been accepted into 1 of their top 3 preferred universities!

epl is a unique institution that can meet all the academic needs of students. Whether you require standardized test preparation, tutoring in school or university subjects, assistance with presentations, or curriculum review, we are here to offer comprehensive support.

We are your one-stop-shop where we provide personalized, comprehensive support throughout the entire student journey and process.

Furthermore, we take pride in exclusively representing the K-12 homeschooling program of Texas Tech University. This allows us to offer an alternative to Costa Rican and Central American families who require schedule flexibility, adapting to the unique needs of each student.

For more information, please visit <https://www.depts.ttu.edu/k12/international/> or schedule an appointment with us.



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# FIRST



Adapt to new **environment**

Strive for **leadership** positions

Consider course work so you are prepared for **IBs, AP exams**.

Discuss your **financial** situation.

Explore colleges (size, community, social life, arts, athletics, and curriculum)

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Layout your timeline for **Personal Project**

**Explore college majors** and admissions websites

Consider **career tracks**

Keep your epl tutor updated.

Consider **external academic opportunities**, such as online courses.

Discuss **summer internships, personal project development, and leadership programs**.

**Tutoring** strengthens academic foundations

Take **PSAT**



## STUDENT TIMELINE

### 9<sup>TH</sup>

### 10<sup>TH</sup>

Apply to **summer programs**

Keep your end of the year **grades up!**

Think about the next step for a **personal project**

**Plan APs/IBs**

Discuss your **sophomore year** course schedule

**Finish the year strong.**

Dig into **personal projects, summer internships, programs, leadership programs.**

Discuss challenging **junior year classes** with your epl tutor.

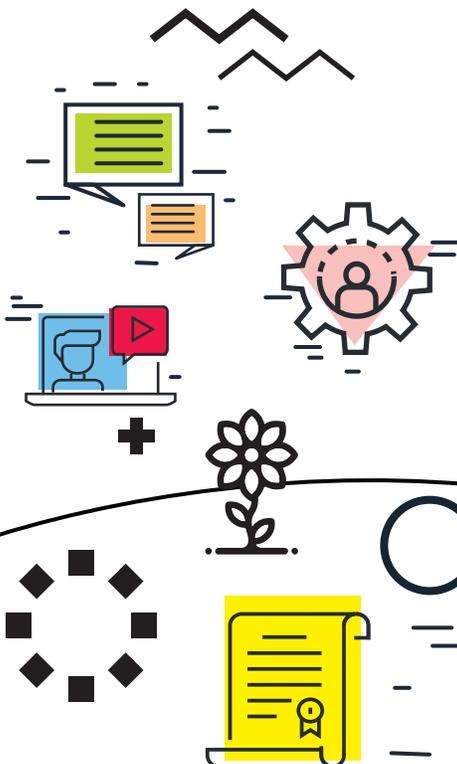
Discuss plan for taking **standardized tests** in junior year.

Create a testing timeline

Take a **Diagnostic test** for SAT/ACT/TOEFL

Decide between **APs/IB Certificate or Diploma**

**Start standardized test prep**



# SECOND

# SEMESTER



Plan **college visits**.

**Maintain strong grades** in a challenging curriculum

Take **mock tests** throughout test prep.

Work with epl tutor to narrow down **academic areas of interest**.

Discuss **standardized tests**, current **classes and grades**, and **summer plans**.

Take **English Proficiency Exams (TOEFL or IELTS)**.

Discuss admissions strategy and check your application **deadlines**.

Complete the Common App sections **for activities and personal/educational background** (new prompts may arise).

**Finish main essay and create list of supplemental essays.**

Track **recommendation letters**.

Send **standardized test score reports** to colleges.

**Finalize essays and gather** feedback from expert readers.

**Complete all applications**, even if you applied Early Decision/Action.

**Note:** Some financial forms must be submitted with the application.

Track application status through the portal. Remember schools take 2-3 weeks to post on the portal.

Keep a copy of everything you sent.

Update on colleges any awards or honors you won since ED/EA applications were submitted.

Submit applications **far ahead of deadlines**

## 11<sup>TH</sup>

## 12<sup>TH</sup>

Create a **standardized testing strategy** based on first set of scores.

**Visit colleges** on spring break when school is in session.

Apply to **summer activities** that enhance college applications.

Find the right **letter of recommendation writers**.

Discuss senior classes and be sure to take as **rigorous a curriculum as possible** without sacrificing grades.

Try to complete **standardized testing** by June.

With your college list, brainstorm **college essays**.

**Common App** goes live August 1st.

**Start essay drafts** early to edit thoroughly.

If admitted Early Decision, **withdraw any outstanding applications** to other universities

**Submit a deposit** to attend the ED university.

If admitted Early Action or Rolling Decision, **send deposit to reserve your space** if you plan to attend.

If **deferred**, contact your epl tutor to discuss possible options in January or early February.

Inform epl tutor of all decisions.

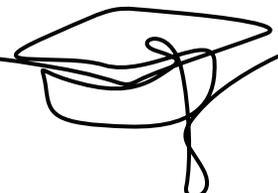
**Complete any remaining applications** with February or March **deadlines**.

Many colleges will request to see **third quarter grades**, so continue to **perform well academically** (attention transfer students)

Reply to colleges that you don't plan to attend.

**Submit a deposit** by the end of April to the college you'd like to attend (only one can be sent).

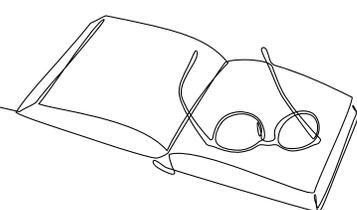
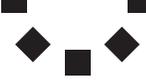
# SEMESTER



# Why is it **important** to start **applying early?**

Topics	Why is it important?	It helps to...
Choosing academic courses (subjects in school)	<p>The <b>academic profile</b> is crucial to start the <b>application process</b> and requires careful guidance.</p> <p>Recommendation: Take the Myers Briggs vocational test.</p>	<p>Choosing the right <b>academic curriculum</b> based on your grades, interests, and goals to achieve. IB/AP type classes and extracurricular activities are reviewed.</p> <p>The student will have a CV that impresses and highlights their academic strengths. Academic counseling and exploration of <b>academic interests</b></p>
Academic counseling and exploration of academic interests	<p>The student must have a clear vision of their <b>interests and strengths</b>.</p> <p>Together with one of our advisors, interests in activities to be carried out outside of their school are explored.</p>	<p>For those reviewing the application, they will see a robust profile highlighting strengths, skills in a sport, or talents.</p> <p>It's important to have <b>2 or 3 areas of focus</b>.</p>
Planning extracurricular and summer activities	<p>Applying to a summer program can offer a series of significant <b>benefits: Vocational exploration</b>.</p> <p>Diversity of experiences and learning.</p> <p>Connections and long-term relationships.</p> <p>Developing independence.</p>	<p>The extracurricular profile should demonstrate a balance between <b>academics and activities outside of school</b> (summer programs, community service, sports, research, and academic competitions).</p> <p>It should reflect their passions but also show the use of their time in activities that demonstrate leadership, initiative, and the ability to differentiate themselves from their peers.</p>





### Topics

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Strategies for standardized testing

**Strategies** for standardized exams are crucial for effectively preparing students, reducing anxiety, managing time, improving results, and developing key study skills. They provide a **structured approach** to addressing diverse questions and problems, thereby enhancing overall student performance.

Developing a **detailed plan** and precise schedule that outlines the exams to take, as well as the study strategy, tasks and practices, and areas for improvement in tutoring sessions. This will help the student to have a clear **action plan** and aim for the best possible grade with the right tools.

College visits

As much as possible, we recommend visiting universities that are of interest to the student. It's a way to visualize the size of the university, location, climate, and **important factors** that influence the decision to apply and that are sometimes not perceived as key elements of the process.

The candidate will have a list of universities according to their personal preferences and **academic aspirations**. Additionally, showing interest to the universities they apply to will give **them an additional advantage**.



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# COLLEGE COUNSELING

## *Initial Consult*

The Initial Consult marks the beginning of our college counseling process. During this first session, the advisor comprehensively explores the student's profile. Academic transcripts, extracurricular activities, SAT scores, personal goals, and any other relevant aspects are analyzed. This analysis allows us to understand the student's unique strengths and aspirations. During the academic appointment, we create a personalized plan that serves as a guide for the university application process.

## *Guidance through the **entire application process***

Applying to universities abroad is a task that involves many months of preparation and attention to detail. This ranges from forming a list of universities, meeting each of the requirements, to understanding if the climate and size of the university are compatible with the student's personality and interests. For this reason, we have a highly qualified team to support you throughout the entire process or in the parts that require assistance. From searching for athletic or merit-based scholarships to reviewing the FAFSA form, our team is ready to assist you.

## *Test Prep*

epl develops personalized timelines and strategic plans that enable students to reach their goals. The team maintains constant communication and works to support each student comprehensively.

All tutors have achieved scores within the 99th percentile on the standardized tests they teach. Most tutors have 10+ years of experience and have been carefully selected, receiving rigorous training to be part of our offering.

epl sessions take place online through the Zoom platform, and we have an interactive digital whiteboard, a tool that helps us achieve the best results and experience. Tutoring sessions can also be conducted in person

Check our list of subjects for academic and Test Prep tutoring on page 10.



# Essays

We offer a comprehensive essay editing service, guiding students through a process that begins with topic selection through brainstorming, all the way to essay completion. We start with the 'story selection' stage, helping students choose a story that makes an impact and is relevant.

Our services also include editing supplemental essays that are part of the Common App application and reviewing academic resumes. At every step of the way, we are committed to providing personalized support that reflects the unique voice of the student.



# LIST OF SUBJECTS & SERVICES OFFERED BY EPL

## AP:

Calculus  
Environmental Science  
Statistics  
Physics  
United States History  
World History  
Language and Composition  
Literature  
Macroeconomics  
Microeconomics  
Psychology  
Chemistry

## IB:

Biology  
Economics  
Spanish  
Physics  
French  
Business  
Management  
English  
Literature  
Macroeconomics  
Mathematics  
Microeconomics  
Chemistry

For IB, we also assist with Internal Assessments, TOK and extended essays.

## STANDARDIZED TESTS (Test Prep):

ACT  
Duolingo  
Admission Tests forl  
TEC, UCR & UNA  
Executive Assessment  
ieGAT  
IELTS  
IGCSE  
LSAT  
PAEP  
PSAT  
SAT  
SSAT  
TOEFL  
TOEIC  
TSI (Texas  
Success Initiative)

We also offer registration and scheduling assistance for standardized tests such as the SAT and TOEFL.

## LANGUAGE:

German  
French  
English  
Italian  
Portuguese



# Academic Tutoring:

Algebra  
Biology  
Calculus  
Civics  
Accounting  
Design Thinking  
Spanish  
Social Studies  
Finance

Physics  
United States  
History  
World History  
English  
Mathematics  
(including Math  
125)  
Precalculus  
Chemistry

## KIDS (between 3 y 12 years old):

Creative Garage  
epl Kids (English and  
others)  
Reading and Writing  
Arts and Crafts.

## OTHERS:

Autocad  
Creative Writing  
Online school  
Excel  
Job Interview Preparation  
Python  
SQL  
Study Techniques

## COLLEGES (UNDERGRAD & GRAD):

Extracurricular Activities  
Applications (including scholarships)  
Financial Counseling  
Motivational Letters  
Cover Letters  
Recommendation Letters  
Initial Consult (including for athletes)  
Follow-up Consultation  
Curriculum Vitae (CV)  
Essays  
Portfolios  
Job Interview Preparation  
Vocational Testing



### ***Creative Garage:***

In 2017, we opened the Creative Garage, a makerspace aimed at developing tangible solutions and knowledge through a constructivist methodology. The activities in this space seek to actively support students who drive their own innovation processes. We offer programming, Design Thinking, animation, 3D printing, robotics, among other activities for children of all ages.



### ***epl kids:***

epl Kids is a service for children aged 3 to 12 years old. It specializes in helping students learn and improve their English skills through fun and imaginative activities. Through games and dynamic classes, children learn the language through comprehensible input. We also provide tutoring in subjects such as mathematics, science, Spanish, and reading, as well as more creative topics like crafts, projects on specific themes, and art



### ***Workshops/events:***

At Creative Garage, we organize events of all types and sizes, tailored to your preferences. Whether it's a training session, a children's birthday party, or specialized workshops for celebrations like Christmas or Halloween, we are here to bring your event to life with the theme of your choice.



### ***Summer camps:***

For over 10 years, we have been organizing camps at EPL, but since 2022, we have ventured into organizing camps for larger organizations and clubs, catering to groups of up to 80 children. We organize the most fun camp with the best activities!



# PRICING

## Creative Garage

Electro Kids, Little Inventors & Creative Makers.

**Monthly:** CRC 71.400 (tax included).  
Format: 4 times per month, once a week.

## epl kids

**Monthly:** CRC 71.400 (tax included).

Format: 4 times per month, once a week.

- College Counseling: CRC 35.700
- Initial Consult CRC 66.300
- Assessment Test (Includes appointment to analyze results and interpretation) CRC 66.300
- Academic consult CRC 35.700
- Follow-ups/Consults CRC 35.700
- Apps & Essay support CRC 35.700

## Test Prep and Academic Tutoring

1 session: CRC 32.640 (floor price)\*\*

- 10-session package (5% discount)
- 25-session package (7.5% discount)
- 40-session package (10% discount)



\*\*Restrictions applied. The floor price covers most tutors and subjects; however, there are variations among tutors and/or some services.

Prices valid for the year 2024, subject to change

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