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The Mauler Institute, LLC

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THE MAULER INSTITUTE
Helping Students Get Accepted to Highly Selective Schools

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Westlake resident Stef Mauler is the founder and president of The Mauler Institute, LLC. Founded in 2011, The Mauler Institute, LLC is an independent educational consulting firm that offers products and services to help students find and earn admission to the best colleges for them.

Describe what your company does.

Through a series of sessions, I work one-on-one with students to develop and execute their personal strategies for college admission. My mission is to assist students in defining their list of destinations then set about building the rocket to get them there. We offer individual consulting for students in 8th – 12th grades; Complete Candidate college admissions system, small group workshops, campus visit packages, and gap year options.

Describe anything unique that your company does.

A great recent case study: An exceptionally bright student, class valedictorian, nationally-ranked debater, approached me about our consulting services. Although our senior class was full, he persisted, and we finally agreed on a two-pronged approach. We met for a long strategy session at the beginning of the summer, and then he went off and worked on his own. He returned with his completed application, which I helped him polish before submitting. Happily, he was accepted to all three of his top college choices.

This experience forced me to think of all the students I would love to help but don't have the capacity to. So I recently created *The Complete Candidate: A Comprehensive System for Solving the College Admissions Puzzle* – a first-of-its-kind multimedia system that leads students through the steps to develop and execute a successful Common App.



Given your business expertise, what advice can you offer to Westlake residents?

Think about how to approach the college admissions process. Chances are the person reviewing your application has never met you, and he's trying to figure out who you are, what drives you, and what impact you are going to have on their college community after you graduate. Think of your application as a jigsaw puzzle and each component as a puzzle piece. What do your transcript, essays, resume, and recommendations say about you? I want to help students fit the pieces of their puzzles together to communicate an image that is clear, consistent and cohesive.

What else would you like us to know about you?

I began working in Ivy League admissions over 20 years ago and have acted as an alumni interviewer for both Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania. I have a BA from the University of Pennsylvania, a MBA from Harvard Business School and a Graduate Certificate in College Counseling from the University of California, San Diego. We moved to Glenwyck Farms in 2008. I serve on the Board of Directors for The Parenting Center (a non-profit organization) and am on the Glenwyck Farms HOA Board of Directors. I am always happy to speak to schools and other groups about the college admissions process.

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