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# **Point Guard**







# **Sean Mays**

- 26 Points
- Drafted to Charlotte Bobcats
- Salary 1.6 Million



# **Raymond Felton**

- 17 Points
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- Salary 2.8 Million



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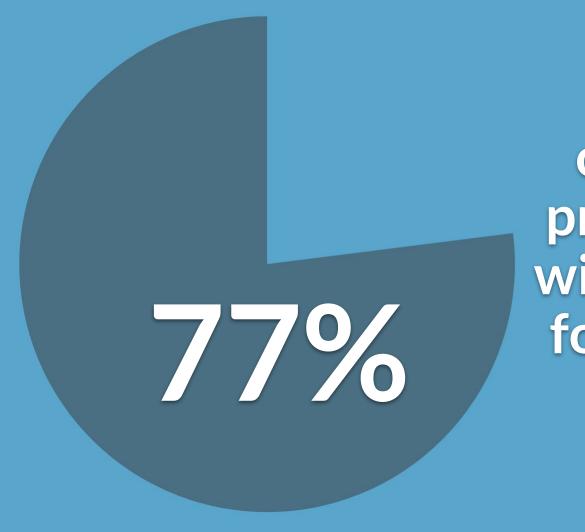
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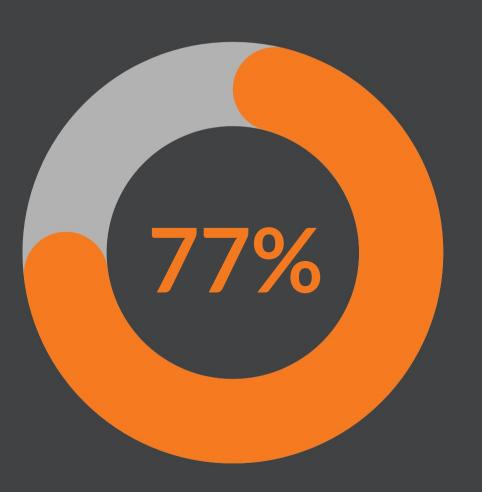
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of consumers prefer shopping with brands they follow on social media.

-SPROUT SOCIAL



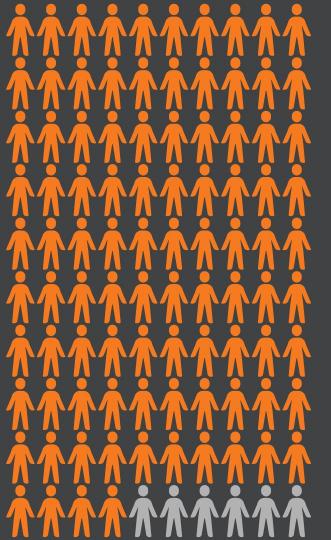
of consumers buy from brands that share the same values as they do.

- HAVAS GROUP, 2019



83% of consumers say that they must trust a brand in order to make a purchase

-Edelman Trust Barometer (2022)



94% of consumers say they recommend brands they have an emotional connection with.

-GENSLER

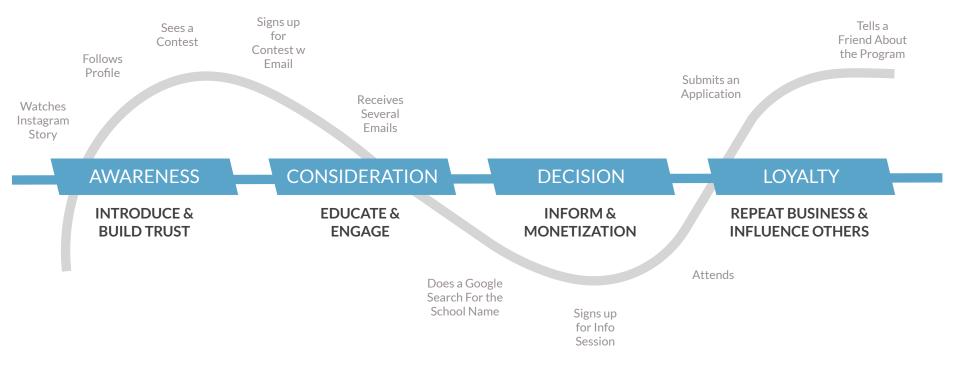
98% of college-aged students are on social media.

- Experian

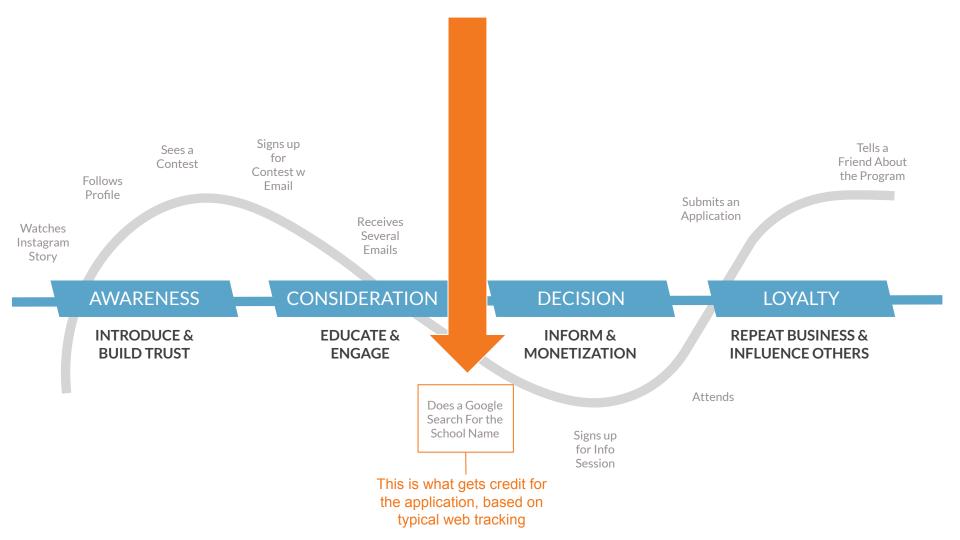
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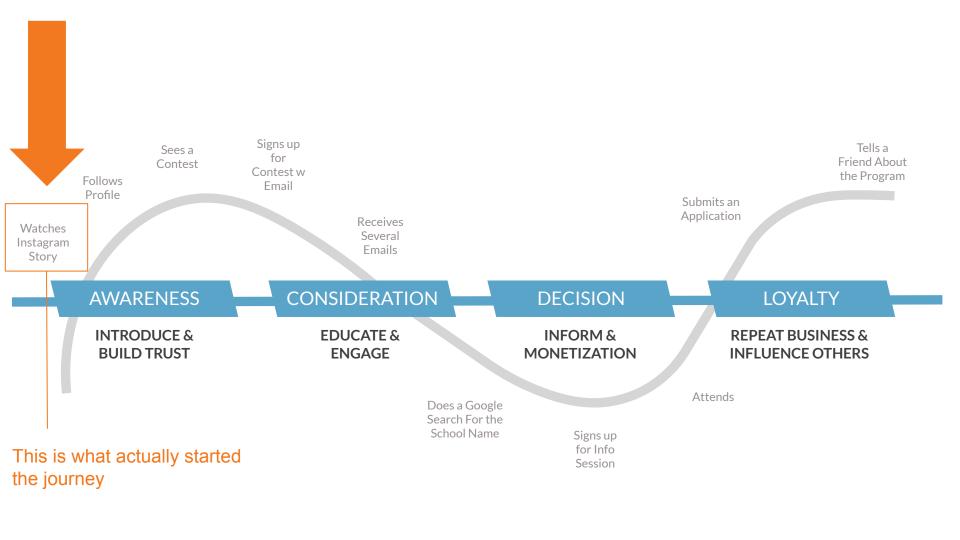


# KEY REMINDER THE USER JOURNEY ISN'T 1 STEP



VIOLUMENINE





Social Media is your point guard -> it gets the play started.

And yes...it can also make amazing half-court shots

# **First Step**

Get Your Social Media into Game-Winning Shape



# NOTE: WHAT DO I MEAN BY WINNING SOCIAL?

#### **KPIs:**

- Gaining followers
- Impressions
- Engagement\* (this is the big one)
- Increased traffic to our website from social (use UTMS)

#### **Recommended Measurement Tools:**

- GA4 + The Platforms
- Sprout Social (paid)

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#### **EXAMPLE**

Nursing School for a Christian University

#### We Believe In:

- Christian Values / Beliefs
- Helping People

#### We're Interested In:

- Nursing Lifestyle Content (e.g. behind the scenes, Nurse humor)
- Nursing Salaries / Opportunities

# #2 - CONTENT STRATEGY

Tip: Create 4 - 8 Categories of Content to Rotate Through

#### **Examples:**

- Promotional
- Motivational
- Engagement
- Real Stories
- School Spirit
- Event Promotion
- Thought Leadership



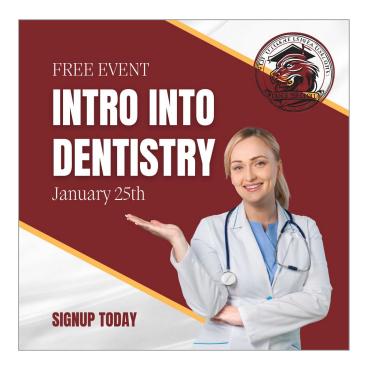
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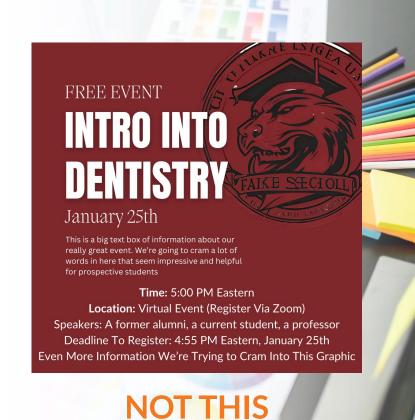
- Consistent colors
- Easy to consume / read
- Variety of content
  - Graphics
  - Photography
  - Videos
  - Carousels
- Has at least a little graphic design treatment



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THIS: Ready to start adulting? We can't wait to see you tonight at our virtual info session!



NOT THIS: Prospective students are formally invited to attend our informational session this evening.

## **#5-BOOSTING & TARGETING**

## **Tips for Boosting Audiences:**

- Align with your personas for your school / program
- Expand with lookalikes

Key Rule: If It's Worth Posting, It's Worth Boosting

Even a few bucks goes a long way



## #6 - STAYING ACTIVE

#### **DON'T POST & GHOST**

- Like & respond to comments & DM's
- Re-share UGC
- @Mention people in posts if appropriate
- Go out & communicate on hashtags

At a minimum you should be doing it weekly



Ok, we've got a winning "Point Guard" ... Let's run some plays!







44,889 New Followers

401% - Increase Social Traffic

14:1 - ROAS



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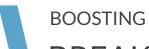


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### **#3- ADS WITH PROMOTIONS**

Advertise to Your Engaged Audience

**Example: Free Virtual Event** 







Results are in!

We're proud to announce our 2022 Sumitomo Car Costume Contest Winner: Wander the Witch! Let's give her a round of applause. 6 6





10,704 Email Signups

\$2,500 Promotional Spend

\$160k Revenue Value (From the New Email Signups)

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### **#3-EMAIL MARKETING**

Use Email Acquisition for (1) Paid Targeting and (2) Email Drip Program

**Example: 4 Series Email Drip Program** 







#### **Year Over Year:**

- 25% growth in followers
- 637% increase in impressions
- 68% increase in engagement rates
- 1,004% increase in social website traffic

\*\*66% **increase** in branded search for "Charlie's Soap" in Google Search Console\*\*

### **Key Notes:**

- Yes they drive some sales with social referral traffic
- But they drive <u>a lot more</u> from that increase in branded traffic

# WHICH WORD DID YOU SEE FIRST?

b	i	n	s	р	i	r	e	а
W	С	h	а	r	1	i	e	S
q	W	а	r	r	S	0	а	р
b	С	0	С	b	1	b	d	Z
0	e	а	1	f	i	i	X	i
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#### **#3-BUILD IMPRESSIONS**

**Boost Content That is "Taking Off"** 

Example: Put extra boosting \$ behind content that is getting really good engagement



Social Media Half-Court Shots



# "PROMO" CONTENT

**Host & Promote Free Events** 



## HALF COURT SHOTS

# "PROMO" CONTENT

Share Application Information & Deadlines



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Promote Scholarship Programs



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Promote a call with admissions





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#4 - Take a Few Half Court Shots, But Don't Fill Your Feed With These



## **ChatGPT Prompt "Cheat Sheet" for Social Media**

- ✓ Simple guide to structuring a prompt
- ✓ Prompts for social media support
- ✓ Our feedback on which prompts worked the best :)

Download at: www.V9Digital.com/templates/





# NO COST I'M HAPPY TO

- ✓ Answer any and all digital marketing questions via email
- ✓ Look at your social media and digital marketing program together (email me for scheduling link)
- ✓ Connect on LinkedIn

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