

Cartoons for the Classroom

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CONGRATULATIONS! YOUR COLLEGE APPLICATION IS NOW COMPLETE!

Courtesy Jim Borgman / Cincinnati Enquirer

College as concept

If you're a high school junior or senior enduring the college application process, this Jim Borgman toon has to hit home with you. The message is simple, very straight forward. But you gotta appreciate all the thought that went into making it simple! There's a lot of detail you take in at a glance. SATs, Extra Curriculars, AP classes . . . Delivering a simple message isn't always easy. It takes extra effort to make it simple.

Get out your newspaper

Gather a collection of political cartoons from your newspaper over the next two weeks. Using the Cartoon Evaluation Worksheet (available online at the NIE Website) analyze each cartoon and explain the issues addressed and determine the point of view of the artist.

Talking points

Change the labels on this toon and you can use it to illustrate any process that's difficult to get through. Give it a try with some of these topics.

- Getting elected president
- Getting a mortgage to buy a house
- Buying your first car.
- Getting a date with that special girl or guy.
- Getting approval as a Supreme Court Justice.
- Getting a cartoon published.

Additional resources

Association of American Editorial Cartoonists (AAEC)
<http://editorialcartoonists.com/>

More by Jim Borgman at the Cincinnati Enquirer
<http://borgman.enquirer.com/>