Belarus Competitive College Club (CCC) is a cohort advising program for Belarusian high school students who plan on applying to the U.S. universities. EducationUSA advisers work with students to provide information on studying in the U.S. and the application process, conduct individual consultations, and work with U.S. experts and university representatives to offer first-hand perspectives on the application process. Students meet their peers who are working towards similar goals and, in the process, are given the opportunity to work together on preparing for tests and language practice. Most activities take place online through Google Classroom, webinar platforms, and social media support groups.

Application Process and Eligibility
Eligible students (9-11th graders) will join the first semester of the program in January. Students must be citizens of Belarus. During the application process they will indicate their contact information, education background, and express their interest and motivation in applying to U.S. universities. New students may also join the second semester of the program in fall.

Semester 1 (January-May)
- Introductory sessions: studying in the U.S., volunteering, types of degrees
- Application process resources and information: college choice, financial aid planning, application package
- Standardized tests and resources for practice
- Sessions led by VSFS intern on self-presentation, English language development

Semester 2 (September - December)
- Self-study of core material (new participants)
- Revising information from spring semester
- Individual consultations with EducationUSA and consultants
- Application package preparation

Expectations From Participants
- Devote about 1-2 hours a week to participate in webinars, review materials and complete tasks
- Initiate and request individual consultations with program facilitators
- With the help of program resources, work on selecting universities to apply to and prepare required documents
- Maintain good grades at school and stay active with volunteering and extracurricular activities

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