

**SUMMER FOR FAMILIES OF 10THGRADE STUDENTS**

**STUDENTS**

**NEWSLETTER TEMPLATE**

High School & Beyond Planning — News & Information

**Did You Know?**

**How to Find a Great Summer Job**

Summer break is a great time to earn money for college. Even better than a summer job or internship is an opportunity to gain work experience and skills. The experience may spark a new passion or help students decide that a certain area or topic isn't a good fit for them.

**Tips for finding a summer job**

* **Think about goals.** Help your child figure out what he or she wants to get out of the summer in order to focus the search.
* **Tap into personal connections.** Encourage your teen to talk to family, friends and teachers who can put your teen in touch with people who can help with finding a job.
* **Look for resources at school.** Ask the high school counselors if they have suggestions for how to tackle a job search. Does the school have a job listing and internship board?
* **Find local resources.** Find local employers online or by asking around your neighborhood.
* **Create an internship**. Offer services for free. An internship is a great way to learn skills, explore a career and make professional contacts. It may even lead to a paid position in the future.
* **Become an entrepreneur**. Your child could start a business using his or her skills and experience. For example, walking dogs, mowing lawns, or tutoring. Encourage your teen to talk to relatives, neighbors and friends to see if he or she can find a few clients before summer starts.
* **Expand a current job.** If your child already has a job you like, consider taking on more duties there. Use the summer to gain more experience and knowledge.
* **Volunteer.** Volunteering is a great way to learn about oneself and others.

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About 74 percent of 10th graders reported that they can talk to adults in their community about something important.

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**Upcoming Events & Announcements**

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**Myth Buster**

**Student Checklist**

* **Plan to use your summer wisely**: Work, volunteer, or take a summer course (away or at a local college).
* **Participate in academic enrichment programs**, summer workshops, and camps with specialty focuses such as music, arts, science, etc.
* **Save** a percentage of any summer earnings to the account.

**Family Checklist**

* **Help your child stay involved this summer with camps, programs, volunteering or even a job.** Combat boredom and prevent learning loss by insisting your teen stay on a (somewhat) regular schedule and participating in summer programs, volunteering or finding a job (even mowing lawns or babysitting!).
* **Set up a college savings plan, if you haven’t already.** Talk to your local bank or credit union about setting up a college savings account for your student. Encourage your child to contribute a percentage of any summer earnings to the account.
* **If possible, visit college campuses while on vacation.** If you go on a vacation near a college, stop by to walk around and have lunch at a dining hall or near campus. Many schools offer free tours even in summer.

## **MYTH:** Community college is just an extension of high school.

**REALITY**: **Community college is college.** It requires skills gained in high school.

While community colleges provide higher education for all, they nonetheless have standards that students must meet to advance academically.

You can help your child to take challenging classes and bring his or her skills — especially in English and math — up to the level expected for success in college. That way your child can avoid having to take and pay for remedial classes in college.