

Summer before 12th Grade

“TO DO LIST”

Students:	Parents:
<input type="checkbox"/> Narrow down the list of colleges you are considering attending. If you can, visit the schools that interest you.	<input type="checkbox"/> Review your financial situation and make sure your child is looking into or already has applied for scholarships.
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact colleges to request information and applications for admission. Ask about financial aid, admission requirements, and deadlines.	<input type="checkbox"/> Ask your employer whether scholarships are available for employees' children.
<input type="checkbox"/> Decide whether you are going to apply under a particular college's early decision or early action program. Be sure to learn about the program deadlines and requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/> Find out whether your child has added any schools to his or her college wish list since the last time you visited colleges, and visit additional campuses if possible.
<input type="checkbox"/> Update your information in FAFSA4caster one last time at www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov , and compare the results to the actual costs at colleges to which you will apply. To supplement any aid FAFSA4caster estimates you might receive be sure to apply for scholarships. Your goal is to minimize the amount of loan funds you borrow.	
To Explore: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find out what government financial aid you can apply for and how. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit studentaid.ed.gov and click “Who gets aid”. Visit studentaid.ed.gov and click “Applying for aid”. Be careful when searching for scholarships. Check out the “Avoiding scams” link on studentaid.ed.gov. 	