



To Do's for College Prep

Summer before 12th Grade

Students

- Narrow down the list of colleges you are considering attending. If you can, visit the schools that interest you.
- Contact colleges to request information and applications for admission. Ask about financial aid, admission requirements, and deadlines.
- 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.
- Update your information in *FAFSA4caster* one last time at fafsa.ed.gov/FAFSA/app/f4cForm, 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

- Find out what government financial aid you can apply for and how.
 - 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

Parents

- Review your financial situation and make sure your child is looking into or already has applied for scholarships.
- Ask your employer whether scholarships are available for employees' children.
- 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.



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