**ALL GRADES**

- Go to the library and have your student check out books from their summer reading list or join a summer reading program. Graduated seniors may also have summer reading assigned by their college or university before classes begin in the fall.

**JUNIOR**

- If you have the opportunity, visiting colleges over the summer can be a great way to help your student refine their interests post-high school.

- Help your student think about taking the ACT or SAT exams. These are still important for various trade schools, colleges, and scholarships. Create a parent account at [www.ACT.org](http://www.ACT.org) and/or [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) (SAT).

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE**

- Ensure all paperwork, deposits, and documents have been submitted to the college, university, trade school, or military academy that your student will be attending.

- Take time to review any of your student’s needs for the summer before they head off to college.

- Discuss and set up finances so your student understands their financial responsibilities, has access to their funds if needed, and is aware of the finances needed to support their lifestyle in college.

- Take the summer to make a “life skills” plan with your student, ensuring they know how to do basic “adulting” skills like doing laundry, cooking a simple meal, grocery shopping, and banking.

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*Summer begins for most students. Hopefully, students are engaged in summer learning through summer school, camps, and other immersion programs, or perhaps they have a job. If you haven’t signed your student up for a program yet, it may not be too late, so keep looking for summer opportunities. Summer reading lists from your school or library may be posted, and reading together is a great way to stay connected to your student and understand what they’re learning in school. College Now is open year-round, so don’t hesitate to reach out or call us over the summer at 216-241-5587 to see what programs we may have available for your student.*