

It's May! School is almost out. Support your student by being aware of what's happened this past year in school and helping them set up a good academic course of study for the next year. Use the summer for learning, volunteering, and gaining work experience. Help your student enjoy spring dances and be safe at graduation and end of year parties.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Get a library card if your student doesn't have one. This will help with summer reading programs and finding books of career interest.



FRESHMAN

- High schools offer a wide set of new activities and sports. Talk with your student about what they may be interested in doing next year. Encourage them to try new things and explore their interests.
- Attend Freshman Night at your school. If your school doesn't have one, check out our online sessions for parents each month at www.collegenowgc.org.

SOPHOMORE

- Support your student in their job or internship search.
- Support your student with finding a volunteer activity for the summer that can support their growth and learning. Determine if this is an activity that can also be done during the school year.
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JUNIOR

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Volunteering is a great way for your student to gain experience and exposure to various work environments. Additionally, volunteer experience can be helpful when completing scholarship applications in the future.

Take some time to sit down with your student this month to discuss what potential volunteer opportunities they may be interested in exploring over the summer.

GRADUATING SENIOR

- Support your student in their job or internship search before they head off to college, trade school, or the military.
- Attend graduation celebrations and festivities, including signing days and other senior events at the school.
- **CELEBRATE** your student's success in graduating from high school!
- Support your student in planning their summer and fall budgets post-high school.



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