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8 TIPS FOR START SAVING FOR COLLEGE

With graduation quickly approaching for high school seniors, there are lots of things to look forward to. Football games, prom, graduation, heading off to college and everything in between; it is an exciting time. Here are five tips to prepare for college during high school.

1. Take College Classes in High School

If your school offers them then take college courses at a discounted price. This will help knock out a college class and a high school requirement at the same time. These classes are usually only a few hundred dollars and that is not much when it comes to a college course.

2. Get a Job

This seems like an obvious solution, but teens these days are busy with sports, school, and extracurricular activities. It may be worth it to cut out one thing in order to work part time on the weekends. This will help you earn money towards your college tuition when it comes time in the fall.

3. Limit Your Expenses

Try to cut out your eating out. Have one day you do not grab Starbucks on your way to school, or eat in on Friday night. This will save you a lot. Another way to save is to avoid buying a bunch of high school shirts. When the year ends, you will have a lot of shirts that you will not want to rock in college. You would be surprised how quickly these add up.



4. Look for Scholarships

This one also may seem obvious, but it is often saved for the last minute. Start looking for scholarships early. Check out what is available online as well as local scholarships. Write one essay and make minor adjustments as needed for each scholarship that you apply for. It is still worth it to apply for smaller scholarships. They can help pay for textbooks.

5. Rent Your Textbooks

If you take a college course in high school for dual credit, then it is a good idea to rent your textbooks. Compare the prices of the online companies to make sure you are finding the best deal.

Senior year is a nerve-wracking transitional time, but it is full of anticipation for the future. Start planning early to maximize your success!



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