

Sophomore Checklist

Talk about your goals.

Continue meeting with your mentor, counselor, and/or college adviser about your college admissions plan and career goals. The more people you tell, the more support you will have to help you reach your college and career goals.

Helpful websites:
Twenty Questions to Ask Your Counselor (collegeboard.com)

Do well in school.

Continue taking challenging courses and keep your grades up. If a course is difficult, seek help from a teacher or tutor.

Helpful websites:
GenTX Rock Your Future (gentx.org/rockyourfuture)

Read as much as possible.

Reading will build your vocabulary and help prepare you for standardized tests.

Start a college search file.

Include testing information, your brag sheet, letters of recommendation and report cards, as well as college brochures and literature.

Attend college and career fairs.

Check your school and/or community calendar to find out about college and career events in your area. Meet with college representatives, ask questions, and gather information.

Helpful websites:
GenTX.org Calendar (gentx.org/calendar)

Visit college campuses.

Find out when admissions tours are offered and visit campuses of those colleges that interest you. Try to sit in on a class, and talk with current students. Visiting schools will help you determine whether the size, location, and personality are right for you.

Helpful websites:
College Tour Questions (ownyourownfuture.com)

Stay involved.

Keep active in extracurricular activities, and begin thinking about which activities you might want to take a leadership role in.

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GenTX College Planning Guide

This helpful guide provides a wealth of information for students and parents beginning the college planning process. From the first steps in making a plan

for higher education, to choosing a path that's right for you and applying, to paying for college, and including an in-depth look at the many types of financial aid, this is a great reference you can download and print in English or Spanish as you plan for college.

Download this guide at gentx.org/rockyourfuture

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