

College-Bound Students Pre-Enrollment Tasks

June - August 2011

Date	Task Name	Task Description	Links to More Details
6/1/2011	College Information Requests	Respond promptly to all requests for information from your college (complete forms, send information, answer questions, etc.). Track completion of required tasks and submittals of documents by referring to the MyCollegeCalendar Post-High School / Pre-College Checklist.	Click Here
6/4/2011	Summer Jobs	Find a summer job and earn spending money for college. You can use the money to pay for books and activities; however, colleges (and the U.S. Department of Education) expect you to earn no more than <u>approximately</u> \$3,249 in the 2011 calendar year.	Click Here
6/6/2011	College Pre-Registration	Contact your college to determine if incoming freshman are required to take math and foreign language placement tests BEFORE being allowed to pre-register for fall classes. If placement tests are required, take the tests as soon as possible and definitely BEFORE the class pre-registration period begins.	Click Here
6/11/2011	Budget For Freshman Year	Work with your parents to create a budget plan for next year. Review the results from the College Cost Spreadsheet to see how much you and your family are expected to pay for college from cash and loans.	Click Here
6/13/2011	Student Loans	After using the College Cost Spreadsheet to calculate how much money is needed to cover the cost of college and miscellaneous expenses, decide if you need to get an additional student loan.	Click Here
6/15/2011	Final Transcripts - High School	Send final high school grade transcripts to your college. Athletes: Ask for your final grade transcripts to be sent to the NCAA Eligibility Center.	Click Here
6/20/2011	Free Computer Software	Some colleges provide incoming freshman with free computer software, such as Microsoft Office and anti-virus software. Call your college's office of admission to ask if any such software will be provided when you arrive on-campus this fall.	Click Here
6/23/2011	Passports - Apply Now	This is a good time for both you and your parents to apply for U.S. passports. Most college students study abroad for one or two semesters/quarters during their sophomore or junior years. Students are required to have a passport to study abroad; parents must have passports in case their son or daughter is injured or becomes ill and parents need to make an emergency trip to a foreign country. It is very important for each parent to have their own passport.	Click Here

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6/27/2011	Student Banking Needs	You should determine your banking needs as a college student. It is recommended that you obtain an ATM Card from the bank that owns the ATMs at your college, set up an account with a bank near your college campus, and obtain a credit card with a \$500-\$1,000 limit.	Click Here
7/1/2011	Flight Reservations	Make airline reservations NOW if you plan to fly to college this fall.	Click Here
7/6/2011	Vaccinations – Reminder	Reminder - See your doctor about immunizations required for college students. Ask if you should receive a meningitis vaccination and make sure to finish your Hepatitis B vaccination series next month.	Click Here
7/11/2011	Ask for More Financial Aid	Contact your college's financial aid office and ask if additional financial aid is available from the Summer Melt of students.	Click Here
7/13/2011	Medical Insurance Needs	Students are REQUIRED to have proper health insurance coverage while attending college. Advice regarding health and dental insurance is provided.	Click Here
7/15/2011	Parents & Healthy Students	Parents: Send your student to college with all their health needs in order. A list of recommended health-related measures is provided.	Click Here
7/18/2011	Warning: Tuition Invoices With Errors	Don't be alarmed to receive invoices for this fall's tuition and fees that are thousands of dollars more than you expected. This may occur because your college has not yet received all of your financial aid awards.	Click Here
7/19/2011	Automobile and Renter's Insurance	If you're taking a car to college, make sure you have adequate automobile insurance. Also, consider purchasing renter's insurance to protect your personal property.	Click Here
7/21/2011	College Loans Approved?	Contact the financial aid office at your college to make sure your loans are approved and in-place for the coming year.	Click Here
7/23/2011	Loan Documents	If you're borrowing money for college, promptly complete all loan-related forms and Promissory Notes.	Click Here
7/28/2011	Advance Health Care Directive	Parents should complete an Advance Health Care Directive for their college-bound child if that child is 18 years of age or older. An Advance Health Care Directive is medical power of attorney (or healthcare proxy) that allows the person appointed by the student to be their healthcare agent. The appointed agent is authorized to make medical decisions on the student's behalf if the student is severely injured or rendered unconscious.	Click Here

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7/30/2011	Medical Release Form	College-bound students should sign a medical information release form (if they are 18 years of age or older) and leave it with their parent(s) or guardian(s). A signed medical information release form will allow student's parent(s) or guardian(s) access to personal health information that may be needed for student medical care in the event the student is severely injured or rendered unconscious.	Click Here
8/2/2011	Student Travel Arrangements	Plan your travel for college move-in day. Book airline tickets, plan your driving route, plan your time of departure, make lodging reservations, etc.	Click Here
8/4/2011	Basic Tasks to Learn	There are a few basic, but important, tasks to learn before leaving home for college. Advice and instructions are provided.	Click Here
8/5/2011	Hepatitis B Vaccination – Reminder	Reminder - If you need to finish the 3-shot Hepatitis B vaccination series, get your final shot this month (if your doctor recommends).	Click Here
8/8/2011	Research On-Campus Jobs	Research on-campus jobs for the coming semester/quarter. Go to your college's website and search for student employment opportunities. On-campus student jobs should be posted online 1-to-3 weeks before the start of the fall semester/quarter.	Click Here
8/10/2011	Prepare to Apply for On-Campus Jobs	If you plan to get a job this fall, complete the required employment documents and forms before leaving home for college. Once you arrive on-campus, you will be so busy settling into your new living environment, making new friends, and preparing for classes, it may be difficult to find the time to complete job-related forms.	Click Here
8/12/2011	Pack For College	If you're starting college at the end of August or beginning of September, you need to get serious about packing for college. Start to organize the items you're taking and use the MyCollegeCalendar Items To Take To College Checklist.	Click Here
8/13/2011	Transfer Your Prescriptions	If you take prescription medication on a regular basis, transfer the prescription to a pharmacy near your college.	Click Here
8/15/2011	Final Check – Paperwork	Contact your college to make sure all paperwork is completed and you're ready to move into college.	Click Here
8/16/2011	Thanksgiving Travel	Book your round-trip flight for Thanksgiving vacation (if you must fly).	Click Here
8/18/2011	Winter Break Travel	Book your round-trip flight for winter break (if you must fly).	Click Here

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8/20/2011	Move-In Day Tasks	Make a list of tasks to complete on move-in day. List the activities you expect to do and arrive on-campus prepared for a full day of tasks and events.	Click Here
8/21/2011	Tools For Move-In Day	Bring tools with you on move-in day so you can disassemble / reassemble furniture and arrange your residence hall room exactly as you like. A list of recommended tools is provided.	Click Here
8/23/2011	College Freshman Advice	Some basic advice is provided on how freshmen can start the year right.	Click Here

