Education beyond high school is required for many careers.

Adults with more education can expect to earn higher wages.
There are more than 4,500 colleges in the U.S. Every college is unique.

There are advantages and disadvantages for every school.
High school grades and course selection, along with test scores, impact college admissions.

Extracurricular activities—both in and out of school—are an important part of an application for college.
There are many types of costs associated with attending college.

The cost of attending college varies widely among schools.
There are government and private resources available to help pay the cost of college. Many of these require completion of the FAFSA.

Scholarships and grants are gifts that do not have to be repaid, but loans must be paid back with interest.