

TREASURE MAP TO SUCCESS— LANDS OF OPPORTUNITY



1. GRADES MATTER

Be on track and know where you are!

- ☐ **Show up to school every day!** Attending school every day is the best way to be successful. Plan a routine for arriving on time and attending school daily. Share your attendance with a supportive adult.
- ☐ **Check your grades online** by logging into the TPS Home Access Center at Tacoma.k12.wa.us. Share your grades with a supportive adult. See your counselor if you need help.
- ☐ **Set a SMART Goal**, (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Timely) for academic success this semester. Write it down and share it with a teacher or counselor.
- ☐ **Write down your assignments** in a planner or calendar and share with a teacher.

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2. GET INVOLVED AND CONNECTED

Get involved with something that you are curious about and build your skills for success. Get connected to mentors who will support you!

- ☐ **Join a club, sport, or extra-curricular activity** and introduce yourself to the coach or advisor.
- ☐ **Introduce yourself to your counselor** and share your academic and personal goals.
- ☐ **Talk to an adult working in a career that you are interested in exploring.** Ask them about their career and the skills and schooling they need for their work.

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3. DISCOVER U

Begin exploring your future now, and find out what you like and where you excel.

- ☐ **Log into CareerCruising.com** and complete the Matchmaker to discover your career interests.
- ☐ **Log into CareerCruising.com** and save two careers that interest you. Share your career interests with a supportive adult.
- ☐ **Visit a local college campus, either virtually or in person.** Tacoma has many two- and four-year colleges to visit nearby.

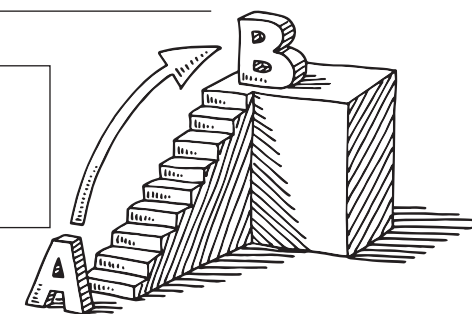
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4. FIND TREASURE

Paying for college is possible! Start your treasure hunt now.

- ☐ **Talk to a supportive adult about your future college and career goals** and start making a plan together.
- ☐ **Create a scholarship account at theWASHboard.org** to begin searching for money for college that you don't have to pay back.
- ☐ **See your counselor to find out if you are eligible for the College Bound Scholarship.** If you are, complete the application before the end of eighth grade.

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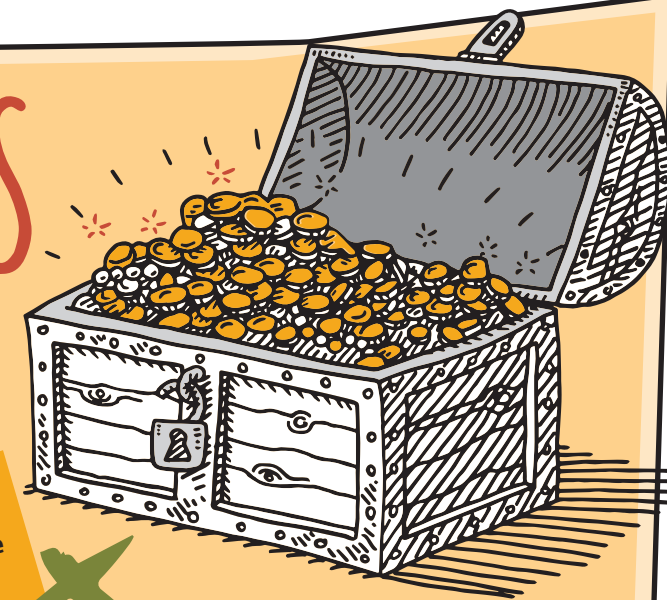


For more information, visit Plan4College.ME

ASK FOR HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT. DON'T WAIT. ASKING FOR HELP IS A SIGN OF STRENGTH AND DETERMINATION.

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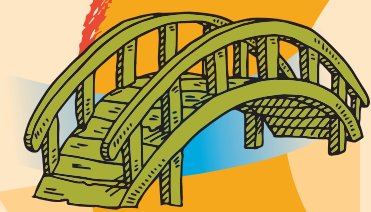
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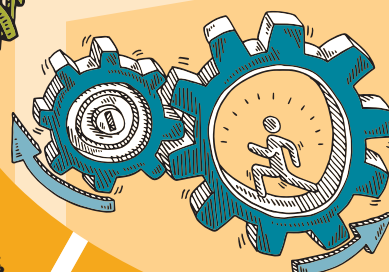
Success Tip

Your hobbies and interests can turn into scholarship awards. **Turn your talents into treasure** by getting involved with something you care about.

Tacoma has many 2- and 4-year colleges to visit nearby. **The TPS Partnership office offers free college bus tours** for families. Go to TacomaSchools.org/CollegeTours or call 253.571.7980 to register.



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START

Success Tip

You can earn high school credit now in math, CTE, and foreign language. See your counselor to sign up for college and career-ready classes.



Help is everywhere you turn. College and Career mentors, including AVID and HERO advisors, coaches, and counselors, are in your school to support you and your future goals.