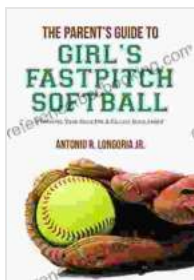


# Preparing Your Child for College Scholarship: A Comprehensive Guide for Success

The cost of college has been steadily rising for decades, and it shows no signs of slowing down. According to the College Board, the average cost of tuition and fees at a four-year public college has increased by more than 250% since 1985. At private colleges, the average cost has increased by more than 150%.

This means that families are having to save more and more money for college. And with the increasing cost of living, it's becoming more and more difficult to do so.

One way to help offset the cost of college is to earn scholarships. Scholarships are free money that you don't have to repay. They can be awarded based on a variety of factors, such as academic achievement, financial need, and extracurricular activities.



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If you're hoping to win scholarships, it's important to start preparing early. The best time to start is in middle school. By the time your child is in high school, they should have a strong academic record and be involved in a variety of extracurricular activities.

In this article, we'll provide you with a comprehensive guide to preparing your child for college scholarship. We'll cover everything from choosing the right high school courses to developing a scholarship strategy.

The courses your child takes in high school will have a big impact on their chances of winning scholarships. Most scholarships require applicants to have a strong academic record. This means taking challenging courses and earning good grades.

When choosing high school courses, it's important to consider your child's interests and strengths. They should take courses that they're good at and that they enjoy. However, they should also challenge themselves by taking some honors or AP courses.

In addition to taking challenging courses, it's also important to make sure your child is taking the right courses for their intended major. For example, if your child wants to major in engineering, they'll need to take courses in math, science, and engineering.

Extracurricular activities can help your child develop the skills and experiences that scholarship committees are looking for. These activities

can also help your child build their resume and make them more well-rounded.

When choosing extracurricular activities, it's important to consider your child's interests and talents. They should choose activities that they enjoy and that they're good at. They should also try to choose activities that will help them develop new skills and experiences.

Some of the most popular extracurricular activities include:

- Sports
- Music
- Art
- Drama
- Debate
- Student government
- Community service

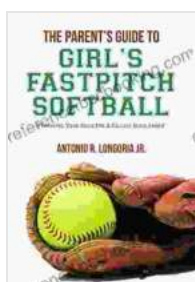
Once your child has a strong academic record and is involved in a variety of extracurricular activities, it's time to start developing a scholarship strategy. This strategy should include:

- **Identifying potential scholarships.** There are thousands of scholarships available, so it's important to do your research and find scholarships that your child is eligible for. You can find scholarships by using online scholarship search engines, visiting college websites, and talking to your child's guidance counselor.

- **Creating a scholarship timeline.** Once you've identified potential scholarships, you need to create a timeline for completing the applications. This timeline should include deadlines for submitting applications, scholarship essays, and transcripts.
- **Preparing scholarship applications.** Scholarship applications typically require applicants to submit a variety of materials, such as transcripts, essays, and letters of recommendation. It's important to start preparing these materials early so that you have plenty of time to put together a strong application.

Preparing your child for college scholarship takes time and effort. However, it's worth it in the end. Scholarships can help your child pay for college and reduce the amount of student loan debt they have to take on.

By following the tips in this article, you can help your child increase their chances of winning scholarships.



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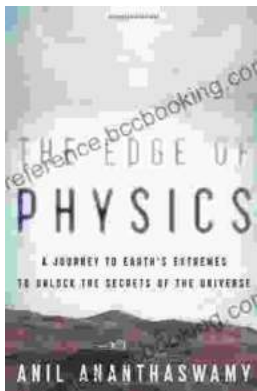
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