

RESOURCE 18 *(for counselors and college access providers)*

COUNSELOR AND COLLEGE ACCESS PROVIDER ACTIVITIES TO CREATE A COLLEGE-GOING CULTURE

Counselors and college access providers have the unique opportunity to focus exclusively on increasing students' college access. The resources and activities in this book are designed to help counselors and college access providers help students

IN GRADES 9 AND 10 — EXPLORING AND DISCOVERING

Students in 9th and 10th grades have the greatest advantages in preparing for college. At these grades, they can think and act long term and make decisions that positively affect their postsecondary options.

To prepare for college, most 9th and 10th graders need to take time to discover more about themselves — their interests, strengths, preferences and career options. Students with clear career interests are more likely to work hard to be in good academic standing because they can connect getting good grades and meeting educational requirements to their desired careers.

Ninth and 10th graders need to take the following steps to prepare for college. They must:

Plan the course

Those who have not done any preparatory activities have a lot of catching up to do and would benefit from doing many of the 9th and 10th grade activities. They need to be more intentional about their preparation.

Short-Term Activities T&Bumds

