

Rising Senior Summer Task List

We hope that you have found the help of your CoFo coach helpful in navigating your junior year. A coach will be assigned to you at the beginning of your senior year to help you through applying and preparing for college! The summer before senior year can be a great time to begin preparing for a few things. We've created a list of suggested activities to help make the most of your summer:

Complete any uncompleted tasks from Junior Year.

We get it! Things get busy. The summer can be a great time to catch up on things like:

- Creating a [resume](#).
- Writing a [college essay](#) draft. If you plan on applying to a school in Texas, check out the [ApplyTexas prompts](#).
- Filling out a [college matrix](#) to narrow down schools.

Set at least three [SMART Goals](#) related to your professional future.

These could be things like:

- An [informational interview](#): Reach out to someone who works in a field you are interested in to see if you can speak with them for 15-20 minutes about their position and career journey.
- Internships (Check out the Volunteer & Internship Resource category in CoFo Connect!)
- Volunteering
- Researching your area of interest:
 - Use Youtube, take a [free online course](#), read books about a potential area of interest.
- Working
 - Having a job builds important skills like time management, project management, customer service skills, and more!
- **What are your SMART Goals?**

Apply for Scholarships

You can create a [Raise.me profile](#) and start making matching donation scholarships for activities you already do!

Here are a few scholarship search sites:

- [Unigo](#)
- [College Greenlight](#)
- [Do Something](#)
- [Niche](#)
- [Scholarships](#)
- [Fast Web](#)
- [Cappex](#)
- Find more scholarships in CoFo Connect!

Practice Self Care

You did it! You made it through an unprecedented school year and rocked it! Take time for some [intentional rest](#) and replenish your energy :)

- **What are your Self Care Goals for the Summer?**

Prepare for Financial Aid

Prepare to fill out [financial aid applications](#) in the fall by:

- Finding out if you will be filling out the FAFSA or TASFA
- Discuss using your family's financial information, including tax records, to fill out this information
- Deepen your Knowledge of your College Matrix picks:
 - Follow those universities on their social media
 - Check out their websites. If you are interested in a particular program, read up on it and read the faculty profiles
 - Reflect on the questions:
 - What is drawing me to this school?
 - Is there a deal-breaker that would make me decide not to attend this school?

You Know Your Dreams and Goals!

- **What are some personal goals you have for the summer?**
