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4 Common College Planning Mistakes That Make College More Expensive

... And, How to Use the Summer Months to Avoid Them ...

Common Mistakes

(hint: all can lead to higher college costs)

- i. Procrastination
 - ii. Not Realizing That Private Colleges Are Businesses
 - iii. Failure to Understand the College Financial Aid System
 - iv. Not Having “The Money Talk” with your kids earlier
- i. Missed opportunities, avoidable mistakes, more stress
 - ii. Colleges have enrollment goals. They want you to pay as much as possible
 - iii. Often leaves money on the table
 - iv. Paying more for college than you can afford.
HUGE DEBT

The Solution – How To Minimize These Mistakes

- ▶ Plan Ahead
- ▶ Start NOW
 - ▶ Read & Learn
 - ▶ Know Your EFC
 - ▶ The Money Talk
 - ▶ What you can afford
 - ▶ Colleges that FIT
 - ▶ Academic
 - ▶ Personal
 - ▶ **Financial**



Questions & Discussion

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