

Career Counseling for Students and Young Adults



10 Biggest Mistakes That Successful Parents (& Grandparents) Make with Respect to College and Related Decisions for High School Students

- 1. Sending your son/daughter to college without the emotional and mental maturity to succeed in college.
- 2. Too much focus on athletic scholarships and sports in general.
- 3. Allowing your son/daughter to choose a college major without your input.
- 4. Failure to have a realistic and objective view of your son/daughter's true abilities.
- 5. Forgetting to introduce and to educate your son/daughter about the true costs associated with college each year.
- 6. Believing that private universities have a better rate of return than public universities.
- 7. Giving up scholarships from a public university in order to attend a private university.
- 8. Not encouraging your son/daughter to work during college.
- 9. Losing focus on the importance of character development.
- 10. Not cultivating a mindset of financial independence.

"It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings." — Ann Landers

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