College Application Kickoff for the Class of 2025 Application Tips and Strategies

- 1. A list of questions to help you keep the big picture in mind.
- 2. Identify interests through BigFuture's <u>Career Finder</u>. Also check out The College Tour's class, <u>"How to Choose a College Major?"</u>
 - a. Add 2 or more careers to your plan.
 - b. Add an associated major to your plan for each saved career.
 - c. What schools offer these majors?

Career	Major(s)	Schools

3. Add a minimum of 6 colleges to your BigFuture College List through <u>College Search</u>. For each college, take notes:

College	Grad/Ret Rates	GPA/SAT/ACT	Acceptance Rate	App Fee	Major?	% Need Met	Decision Dates	App Materials	App Platform	Recs Needed	Connect Opps

4. Explore scholarships using BigFuture's <u>Scholarship Search</u>, <u>FastWeb</u>, <u>Scholarships.Com</u>, <u>bold.org</u>, or <u>U.S. Dept. of Labor's free search tool</u>.

Scholarship Name and Hyperlink	Requirements	Amount	Deadline

5. What's on your to-do list?