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Conversation Starters

Sophomores Are in a Sweet Spot – 9th Grade

You know your student the best, so the following talking points are simply a guideline to use in starting a conversation with your 9th grader that while it may seem too early to search for scholarships, if your student is headed to college, this is no time to experience a “sophomore slump.” Now that high school jitters are hopefully over, your sophomore can begin looking ahead.

- ▶ The time it takes to apply for scholarships really pays off. For example, if you spend one hour applying for a \$500 scholarship, and you receive it, you made more money in that hour than you could earn at any job.
- ▶ I will help you look for scholarships through employers, clubs, associations, etc.
- ▶ Talk to your school counselors about scholarship lists they have.



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