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School's Out – Now What?

Summer is the time when students kick back and reward themselves for working hard during the school year. But don't let the students in your life lose sight of their future goals. These easy steps from the [College Board](#) will keep them at the top of their game – and prepare them to take on the "tough" classes in the fall.

- **Read the newspaper.** Reading the newspaper builds vocabulary and strengthens reading comprehension skills. Students can impress their classmates and teachers with their knowledge of current events.
- **Take a class.** Students should consider exploring a new subject. For example, if a teen likes [French](#) but has been busy taking [Spanish](#), he or she might sign up for an introductory class at a local community college.
- **Do their summer reading...and more.** Reading is key to success in school. Believe us; when students get to college, they'll be thankful they practiced reading quickly, thoroughly and often.
- **Keep a journal.** The more you write, the easier writing becomes. Students can boost their skills by writing a journal or blog.
- **Volunteer.** There are tons of organizations that could use student volunteers. Hospitals, nursing homes and animal shelters are just a few. Plus, volunteer work looks great on college applications.

Decorate Your Dorm Room

One of the coolest features of [KnowHow2GO-U](#), our virtual campus, is *Decorate Your Dorm Room*. This application allows students to choose the wall color, bed spread and accessories they'll put in their dorm room someday. When a student finishes making a room, he or she can save it and send to friends and mentors. Students can also check out the rooms their friends have made.



Encourage the teens in your life to visit the [virtual campus](#) and scroll to the left. The Dorm is the second building after the Admissions Office.

Twitter

Now you can keep KnowHow2GO in the palm of your hand – literally! KnowHow2GO just set up an account on [Twitter](#), the social networking site that allows students to "follow" what their friends are doing throughout the day via text or instant message. Twitter members like KnowHow2GO can automatically send messages to the students and mentors who elect to "follow" them.



To get a free account, go to www.twitter.com. Then, type [KnowHow2GO](#) into the search box at the top of the page and sign up to receive our news updates. Urge the students in your life to do the same!

Meet Your Match: Algebra II

Name: Algebra II
Age: Over 4,000 years old
Video: <http://youtube.com/KnowHow2GO>
MySpace: <http://www.MySpace.com/AlgebraII>

Born in the Babylonian times, Algebra II is the study of mathematics using variables. Every great mathematician in history has been a student of Algebra II – from Sir Isaac Newton to Albert Einstein. Many students are afraid of Algebra II because they think there is too much homework. Or maybe it's because we've all seen too many pocket protectors. Whatever the reason, Algebra II is not to be feared. It is to be challenged and taken on, as students have for centuries.

Yes, Algebra II may be tough, but it's not that tough. And the best part is, Algebra II will help prepare you for college. Talk to your guidance counselor if you're up to the challenge.



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