



# A PLAN OF ACTION

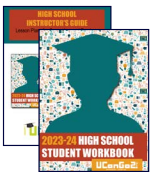
How to Use UCanGo2's College Planning Materials Throughout the School Year

## Fall Semester



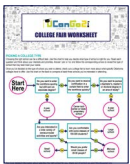
**Distribute UCanGo2's College Planning Checklists to each grade level.**

**Purpose:** Outlines specific steps students can take throughout each school year to prepare for college.



**Use the Instructor's Guide to present lessons from UCanGo2's High School Student Workbook.**

**Purpose:** The student workbook exposes students to various higher education options and encourages them to develop an interest in college and discuss their interests with peers. UCanGo2 offers digital guides and workbooks for high school students and counselors.



**Send your juniors, seniors and their parents to a college fair.**

**Purpose:** Gives students the opportunity to receive valuable information from many different college representatives.

- ▶ Regional college fairs are held in September and October; visit [GPACAC.net](http://GPACAC.net) and [StriveScan.com](http://StriveScan.com) for a list of scheduled college fairs in your area.
- ▶ Print the College Fair Worksheet from the Publications section at [UCanGo2.org](http://UCanGo2.org) and distribute to juniors and seniors who will be attending a fair.



**Offer a scholarship search computer lab.**

**Purpose:** Opens the door to free money for college, which can help reduce the need for student loans.

- ▶ Research scholarship websites listed in [UCanGo2's Are You Looking for Money?](#) booklet.
- ▶ Emphasize the importance of applying for as many scholarships as possible.
- ▶ Remind students that scholarship funds are limited and many are awarded early in the year.
- ▶ Direct students to the [Scholarships 101 PowerPoint](#) for tips on finding and applying for scholarships.



**Offer a college search computer lab.**

**Purpose:** Allows students to compare colleges and make informed choices about the institutions they may want to attend.

- ▶ Visit [UCanGo2.org](http://UCanGo2.org) for information and tools.
- ▶ Visit [OKcollegestart.org](http://OKcollegestart.org) to compare campuses and degree programs.
- ▶ Visit [OklahomaMoneyMatters.org](http://OklahomaMoneyMatters.org) for personal finance education tools and resources.
- ▶ Point out the last page of the State Regents' [Do You Have a Plan for College?](#) publication and encourage students to visit campus websites. Visit [okhighered.org](http://okhighered.org) to view the State Regents' latest college planning publications.
- ▶ Encourage students to visit [OKCollegeAppWeek.org](http://OKCollegeAppWeek.org) to find a list of [college websites](#) and the [application fees](#) for each.



**Introduce the Oklahoma's Promise scholarship to students in 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**Purpose:** Ensures that students and parents in every qualifying household are aware of Oklahoma's Promise. Visit [okpromise.org](http://okpromise.org) for more information and materials in English and Spanish.

# Spring Semester



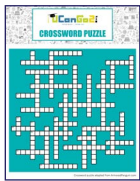
Send students to [OKcollegestart.org](https://www.okcollegestart.org).

**Purpose:** Keeps students engaged in college planning and helps them track their required college prep courses. Career surveys and scholarship search tools can also provide assistance in making their college planning goals easier to reach.



Encourage students to visit campuses of the institutions they're interested in attending.

**Purpose:** Introduces students to campus life, enabling them to feel more comfortable in a college setting. Print Making the Most of Campus Visits from the [UCanGo2.org](https://www.ucango2.org) Publications section. Students can also view a list of Oklahoma colleges that offer virtual campus tours at [OKcollegestart.org](https://www.okcollegestart.org).

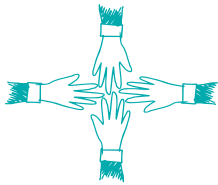


Use the interactive resources available at [UCanGo2.org](https://www.ucango2.org) with your students.

**Purpose:** Presents college planning information in a fun and entertaining manner.

► Download and print the following games and tools:

- College Terms Word Search
- Crossword Puzzle
- Financial Feud
- Jeopardy
- Scavenger Hunt
- Word Scramble



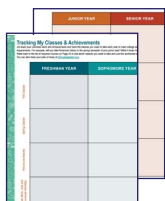
Encourage community involvement and volunteer work during the summer months.

**Purpose:** Gives students an edge for scholarship and college admission applications and real-life experience that may help them choose a college major.



Share the Transition to College flyer with high school juniors and seniors, available at [UCanGo2.org](https://www.ucango2.org).

**Purpose:** Shows students that college is very different than high school, so they know what to expect and how to get ready.



Emphasize the importance of tracking classes and achievements.

**Purpose:** Lets students keep track of the classes and accomplishments that will help them earn scholarships and admission to college. Visit the Publications section at [UCanGo2.org](https://www.ucango2.org) to download/print the [Tracking My Classes and Achievements](#) worksheet and the [College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum Graduation Checklist](#).

