



7TH GRADE CHECKLIST

- Dream big.** Imagine yourself in college, shaping your future the way you want it. Then decide no one will hold you back!
- Save a little, learn a lot.** Instead of grabbing a snack from the vending machine every day, bring a snack from home as often as you can. Pocket your snack money and put it in your savings account for future expenses. Check out OklahomaMoneyMatters.org for more saving and money management tips. Talk to your counselor and visit OKPromise.org to learn about our state's premier scholarship program, Oklahoma's Promise.
- Get involved.** Colleges are looking for students who will give a helping hand in their communities. Find an activity that interests you and join in— if not at school, then with a community, religious or social group.
- Wise up.** Make wise choices that will help you succeed in life rather than choices that would keep you from reaching your goals.
- Ask for help.** If you're struggling in a subject, don't get discouraged. Ask your teacher or parents for help and see about tutoring opportunities.
- Keep believing.** College is a challenge, but it's also rewarding! Tell everyone about your plans. Before you know it, they'll be excited, too. For more tips on planning, preparing and paying for college, visit UCanGo2.org and OKcollegestart.org.