

Essay Prompts for Older Students

Ask students to write short stories/works based on the following writing prompts:

Interview someone who went to college and write a news story about their experience. Ask them about the things they remember most about their time in college. Ask what advice they have to help students prepare for and succeed in college.

Research a two-year college program and write an advertisement or brochure about this opportunity.

Write a tweet (280 characters maximum) about why you think college is important. Find a photo or link to go with your post.

Write an instruction manual to guide younger students (5th and 6th graders) through the process of beginning to explore college options.

You're a super hero and your mission is to make sure students in your hometown attend and succeed in college. Write and/ or draw a comic strip about how you help your classmates overcome an obstacle standing in the way of their college dreams. Be sure you...

Believe in your mission. Think about the reasons why college is a good path for your classmates and your friends and why you're fighting to help them succeed.

Understand your "enemy." Think about the things that might get in the way of students who want to go to college and achieve their dreams.

Write a letter to your future self, talking about which college you want to go to when you get older. Why does this college interest you? What do you want to study?

