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PREPARING FOR THE COST OF COLLEGE

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To compare the costs of colleges	www.collegecalc.org
	    Choose: **Texas under the College by State dropdown menu**
	
	http://economicstexas.org/?page_id=5703
	    Choose: **THE COST OF COLLEGE**

To explore types of financial aid	www.studentaid.ed.gov
	    Choose: **Types of Aid**
	
	www.collegeforalltexans.com
	    Choose: **Student**
	    Choose: **Types of Financial Aide**
	
	www.gocollege.com/

To get an early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid	www.studentaid.ed.gov
	    Choose: **FAFSA: Do I qualify for aid?**
	    Choose: **Estimate Your Aid**
	    Choose: **FAFSA4caster**
	
	https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/

To learn about savings plans	www.collegeforalltexans.com
	    Choose: **Student**
	    Choose: **Types of Financial Aid**
	    Choose: **Savings Plan**
	
	http://economicstexas.org/?page_id=5703
	    Choose: **SAVING FOR COLLEGE: THE WHY, WHEN AND HOW**

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Online Tools for Personal Financial Literacy

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Personal financial literacy lessons and assessments written for new TEKS	www.smartertexas.org
To simulate a budget that includes future earnings	www.texasrealitycheck.com
To estimate what it takes for families to make ends meet in each of Texas' 26 Metro Areas	www.familybudgets.org
To investigate occupations, salaries, level of education needed, and future outlook	www.texascaresonline.com/wowmenu.asp www.bls.gov/ooh/
Use the online calculators to calculate savings and credit	www.bankrate.com
Interactive tool by age group	www.handsonbanking.org
Financial literacy game for middle and high school students.	http://www.genirevolution.org/
Sign up and then search for a lesson using key words.	www.econedlink.org Choose: **Educator** Choose: **Sign Up**
More personal financial literacy lessons	http://www.dallasfed.org/educate/pfe.cfm?tab=0##dallastabs https://www.stlouisfed.org/education http://www.mcee.umn.edu/sites/mcee.umn.edu/files/mpfd-_units_one-ten.pdf http://www.treasurydirect.gov/indiv/tools/tools_moneymath.pdf