

# **Getting Started: RaiseMe for Parents**

Guide your student's progress and help them discover college options



## STEP 1

Create an account by visiting www.raise.me/parents, click on "Sign up as a parent" and follow the instructions.

#### STEP 2

Enter your student's name and email address to connect. When your student accepts, you'll be able to see their RaiseMe portfolio.

## STEP 3

Remind your student to update their portfolio after major achievements, like grades, extracurricular participation, and honors or awards.

## STEP 4

Enter "Student Mode" to utilize the RaiseMe College Search tool and help your student discover new universities to follow.

# STEP 5

Select "Resources" to access our most popular guides, including a breakdown of college financial aid award letters.



# RaiseMe for High School Parents

How can parents help support their students on RaiseMe?

#### Welcome to RaiseMe!

RaiseMe is a completely free college readiness tool that allows students to earn micro-scholarships to college for their achievements in high school. Students 9th - 12th grade can use RaiseMe to build a portfolio, discover colleges, and earn micro-scholarships from over 300 partner institutions. Here's how parents can help support their students:

# Remind your students to update their latest grades to earn micro-scholarships

Whenever your student(s) receive a report card, do well on a standardized test, earn a new honor or award, or complete new extracurriculars or community service projects, help them develop their Portfolio and keep it up-to-date by inputting their latest accomplishments to earn micro-scholarships.

## Discover new colleges alongside your student

Help your students learn more about attending different colleges through the RaiseMe College Search. Search for colleges by location, tuition, average financial aid award, popular areas of study, and more. Take a look at the micro-scholarships offered by each institution to see which colleges are awarding for your student's unique achievements.

## Help your student understand the value of excelling academically

Teach your students how to be the best possible applicant through looking at colleges' Scholarship programs and Requirements.

# New on RaiseMe: Parent Co-Authoring

Parents have the ability to help their students complete their RaiseMe Portfolios to earn micro-scholarships for college! Support your students by helping them on their path to college and keep track of your children's achievements, regardless of their grade level.



## **RaiseMe for Parents**

Tips for supporting your student's college-going progress during school breaks

Breaks from school offer some much needed rest and quality time with family and friends for both students and their teachers. Too much down time, though, and your student might find themselves falling out of routine. To retain everything they are learning in school, and come back ready to hit the ground running, it's important to reinforce study habits and academic planning at home over the holidays.

With RaiseMe for Parents, you can work with your student to track their college-going progress and help them navigate the college search tool to find colleges and universities that might be a great fit. The following are some tips for engaging your students at home, depending upon their grade level:

Freshman	Enter "Student Mode" and take a look at the Scholarships page in your student's account. Work with your student to think of any activities they have done already that could be added to their portfolio.
Sophomore	Check to see that your student's portfolio is up to date with course grades, extracurriculars, community service, and any honors they may have earned.  If they took the PSAT, make sure they reported that score and take a look at the colleges that award for taking and scoring well on exams.
Junior	Use the College Search tool and work with your student to apply different filters to hone in on what would constitute a best fit college for them. Think about planning college visits or attending any college events in your area.
Senior	Look at the "About" page for each college where your student is applying. Talk through all that information with your student so you both feel comfortable with their options. Help them use their RaiseMe portfolio as a reference when writing college essays-each of the achievements they've reported are interesting and valuable to college admission teams!

#### Dear Students and Parents,

I know that many of you have concerns about how to make a college education more affordable. Through a new program called RaiseMe, students can guarantee scholarships from 250+ colleges as early as 9th grade, making it easier to plan financially for school. RaiseMe has proven to be a great tool to motivate students in high schools throughout the U.S.

#### As an example:

- Get an A in a course (\$100 \$1,000)
- Get a B in a course (\$50-\$600)
- Participate in a school club or sport (\$25 \$250)
- And much more!

Our [school / class / organization] is among the first in the country to take advantage of this opportunity, which was launched with the support of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and U.S. colleges. Here are a couple of easy ways to support your students in using this unique tool:

- 1) Ensure that your student creates an account at www.raise.me.
- Encourage your student to regularly add good grades, community service, extracurricular activities, and other achievements to his or her RaiseMe Portfolio to earn micro-scholarships from colleges.
- 3) Visit www.raise.me/parents for more information.

We hope using RaiseMe will make your student's path to college both more fun and affordable. If you have questions, I encourage you to contact [name and contact information of school personnel] or send an email to support@raise.me.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

#### Estimados Padres,

Yo se que ustedes tienen preocupaciones acerca de hacer la universidad más asequible. A través de un nuevo programa que se llama RaiseMe, su estudiante puede garantizar becas de más de 250 universidades desde el noveno grado, lo que hace más fácil planificar financieramente la escuela. RaiseMe ha demostrado ser una gran herramienta para motivar a los estudiantes en las escuelas preparatorias de los Estados Unidos, ya que esta página de internet recompensa inmediatamente a los estudiantes con becas por su duro trabajo dentro y fuera de la escuela preparatoria.

### Por ejemplo:

- Si saca una A en una clase (\$100 \$1,000)
- Si saca una B en una clase (\$50 \$600)
- Si participa en un club o deporte (\$25 \$250)
- Y mucho más!

Nuestra [escuela / clase / organización] está entre las primeras en el país para aprovechar esta oportunidad, que fue lanzada con el apoyo de la Fundación Bill & Melinda Gates y las universidades de los Estados Unidos. Aquí hay un par de maneras fáciles de apoyar a sus estudiantes con usar esta herramienta única:

- 1) Asegúrese de que su estudiante abra una cuenta en www.raise.me.
- 2) Anime a su estudiante a que agregue constantemente buenas calificaciones, servicio comunitario, actividades extracurriculares y otros logros a su "Portfolio" RaiseMe para obtener "Micro-Becas" de las universidades.
- 3) Visite www.raise.me/parents para más información.

Esperamos que al utilizar RaiseMe, el camino de su hijo a la universidad sea más divertido y accesible económicamente. Si tiene preguntas, le recomiendo que se ponga en contacto con [nombre e información de contacto del personal de la escuela] o envíe un correo electrónico a support@raise.me.

Atenta	amente
[Your	Name]

#### 亲爱的各位同学和家长:

相信很多人都有这样的顾虑,如何才能承担大学费用。现在,通过一项名为RaiseMe的新项目,学生从9年级开始就可以从超过250所高校获取奖学金,更好的为大学学习打好经济基础。在美国,RaiseMe已经成为激励高中生的巨大动力。

#### 例如:

- •一门课程取得A (\$100 \$1,000)
- •一门课程取得B (\$50 \$600)
- •参加学校社团或体育队 (\$25 \$250)
- 还有更多!

我们的 [school/class/organization] 是全美首批启用RaiseMe项目的学校之一。这一项目的启动得到了比尔及梅琳达·盖茨基金会和美国高校的支持。下面是帮助学生使用这一独特工具的几个简单步骤:

- 1) 确保学生在www.raise.me创建账户。
- 2) 鼓励学生定期在RaiseMe的个人主页上添加优秀成绩、社区服务、课外活动和其他成就,以赢取大学的微型奖学金。
- 3) 登录 www.raise.me/parents 获取更多资讯。

我们希望借助RaiseMe,学生通往大学之路会更加有趣同时也易于负担。如您有任何疑问,请联系 [name or contact information of school personal] 或发送邮件至support@raise.me

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### [Your Name]

## عزيزي الطلاب وأولياء الأمور،

وأنا أعلم أن العديد منكم لديهم مخاوف حول كيفية جعل التعليم الجامعي أكثر بأسعار معقولة. من خلال برنامج جديد يسمى Raise.me، يمكن للطلاب ضمان المنح الدراسية من اكثر من ٢٠٠ جامعات في وقت مبكر من الصف ٩، مما يجعل من الاسهل للتخطيط ماليا للمدرسة. Raise.me لديه ثبت أن تكون أداة عظيمة لتحفيز الطلاب في المدارس الثانوية في جميع أنحاء الولايات المتحدة، و الموقع

على الفور مكافأة الطلاب مع المنح الدراسية لعملهم الشاق داخل وخارج عالية مدرسة. كمثال:

- الحصول على A في دورة (١٠٠١ ١٠٠٠)
  - الحصول على B في دورة (٥٠ ٢٠٠٠)
- المشاركة في نادي المدرسة أو الرياضة (٢٥٠ ٢٥٠\$)
  - وأكثر من ذلك بكثير ا

لدينا [school/class/organization] هي من بين الأولى في البلاد للاستفادة من هذا الفرصة التي أطلقت بدعم من مؤسسة بيل وميليندا غيتس و جامعات الولايات المتحدة. إليك بعض الطرق السهلة لدعم طلابك في استخدام هذه الأداة الفريدة:

١) التأكد من أن الطالب بإنشاء حساب في www.raise.me.

٢) تشجيع الطالب على إضافة بانتظام درّجات جيدة، خدمة المجتمع، اللامنهجية

و الأنشطة، والإنجازات الأخرى له Raise.me محفظة لكسب الصغرى المنح الدراسية من الجامعات.

٣) زيارة www.raise.me/parents لمزيد من المعلومات.

نأمل أن استخدام Raise.me جعل مسار الطالب إلى الجامعة على حد سواء أكثر متعة وبأسعار معقولة. إذا كانت لديك أسئلة، فإنني أشجعك على الاتصال ب [name or contact information] أو إرسال بريد إلكتروني إلى support@raise.me.

> بإخلاص، [Your Name]