



The Power of Attorney can protect your student!



Hi College Bound Friends!

Please forward this to anyone you know with a child going to college in the fall!



Power of Attorney & Health Care Proxy  
is essential!

When you go to pack up your little darling and drive him/her to college next fall, you'll surely have them well supplied with sheets, towels, school supplies, and Ramen noodles. However, you could be missing something very important- **durable power of attorney and health care power of attorney (aka- health care proxy).**

**\*Note-** My attorney advised my family to pick only **one** parent to be given power of attorney. Naming both of us on the form would then mean that we **both** had to be present to make decisions for our student's emergency health care or other needs.

Forbes Magazine reports:

*"Without these two documents, in most states parents don't have the authority to make health care decisions or manage money for their kids once they turn 18-even if they are paying the tuition, still have those kids on their health insurance plans and claim them as dependents on their tax returns. That means if a young adult is in an accident and becomes disabled, even temporarily, a parent might need court approval to act on his or her behalf.*

**Durable power of attorney** can serve many great purposes that protect you and your student. For example, if your child gets a speeding ticket, summoned for jury duty, or needs you to contact an embassy for them if they have a problem while studying abroad, you can intervene on their behalf. This document also allows you to represent them on almost anything else that might require them to appear in person; it allows you to communicate on their behalf without them having to come all the way home.

Additionally, having durable power of attorney **also** allows a college to give you the student's grades and transcripts. Parents often mistakenly assume that since they are paying the bills for tuition, that they will have access to the student's grades. This is not the case. The student has to choose to provide access to that information. (I just had a family in my office whose older child had dropped out of college two years ago and they had no idea. They were still providing tuition and support, thinking the student was still enrolled.)

**Health care power of attorney**- I have had many tragic reports from parents whose child went off to school and had a major accident or a serious illness but then found out that the school and medical professionals would either not allow them to know much, if anything, about their condition and also would not allow them to make important decisions for them.

Accidents are the leading cause of death among college-aged students. It's important to know you can step in and communicate with their health care providers without any red-tape barring the way.

Wording and rules of designating these two forms of power of attorney can vary slightly from one state to another. Contact your attorney, talk with your student about why this is important, and get these two documents in place before they head off to school.

There are some big events coming up these next 2 Saturdays!

Note the **free**, 1-hour, event added on March 25th called "Using Your Business to Pay for College".

**Upcoming Events (Click on blue workshop title to sign up)**

**Only \$75/student per class.**  
**Parents come along at no charge.**



## Coming up this Saturday- March 25th

### [Middle School Essentials- March 25th](#)- 9:00 a.m. to noon

I am able to offer this fun and informative class once or twice per year and this is it! It is specifically geared towards 5th-8th graders and their parents. I love this workshop. We cover all of the terminology students are going to run into as they go through high school (bachelors degrees, public vs private colleges, graduate school, standardized testing, scholarships, financial aid, and much more).

We also talk about the kind of decisions they will need to make as far as finding and building upon their strengths, picking the right classes, volunteering in areas of interest, spending their summers in constructive ways, and more. Additionally, we will go over the Congressional Award program and how they can participate- awesome opportunity for them! We want them to learn how to stand out but not burn out!

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### [FREE EVENT! Using Your Business to Pay for College- by Heath Walters](#)

Saturday, March 25, 2017 from Noon to 1:00

Few people know that the college financial aid process gives business owners opportunities for incredible financial aid. Knowing the rules can save you over \$75k per year! Heath Walters (CPA) is one of the nation's leading experts (& is a good friend of Scholarship Gold) & will share his best tips for free. Don't miss out!

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### [Rising Junior Year Essentials Mar 25](#)- 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

For all current 10th graders! This class will walk you step by step through all you need to do the junior year, including when to take the SAT/ACT and how to prepare for it, what you can do to best position for scholarships and financial aid, how/when to tour schools, what is important to do over the summer and much, much more. Every current 10th grader & parents should come!

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## Coming up Saturday- April 1st

[College Bound Essentials Apr 1st](#)- For 8th - 11th graders 9:00 AM to noon

This is absolutely one class that every 8th-11th grade college bound student and their parents should attend! Come learn how to navigate scholarships, financial aid, how to pick a college, test prep tips and much more! This event may totally change how you approach what lies ahead!

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## Comprehensive List of Sat and ACT dates through 2018, plus registration deadlines

Another resource I'd love for you to have is this list of all the upcoming SAT and ACT dates for this year and the next school year. Print it out and choose your dates well in advance.

Click [HERE](#) for the complete list!



## COUNTDOWN CALENDAR FOR 9TH-12TH GRADES!

Knowing what to do and when to do it is essential for navigating the path to college with confidence. See this downloadable countdown calendar that will walk you step by step through each year of high school.

Click [HERE](#) for the full countdown calendar- You'll love it!



## Note on Private Appointments Extra help is now available

Private appointments with Kay are available for later afternoon sessions, which is especially convenient if you need a spot after school. My appointment schedule is listed below. Let me know if you need to book a private session!

[Elizabeth's School Year Hours](#)

**Saturdays**- teach workshops, no private sessions

**Sunday**- family time



**Monday-Friday- 8:00 a.m.-4:00 pm**, private students who are not concierge students. (Concierge students are students I'm contracted with to provide intense and ongoing support. My concierge groups are full through the class of 2021.) Sessions have to be wrapped up by 4:00 pm, meaning those meetings generally start at 1:00 or 2:00. It's not ideal, I know, that a student have to miss a bit of a school day in order to meet but you may decide that it is a worthwhile sacrifice for something this important.

**Monday-Friday- 4:00 pm- 8:00 pm**- private sessions for students who are concierge students (students who have hired me to provide intense coaching throughout high school)

*Alternatively- for after school appointments for non-concierge students, my associate Kay Holleman is available.*

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