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GETTING SPECIFIC: WHAT DO YOU WANT?

Look at the following list and indicate which statements feel most accurate or true for you in terms of what you want to get out of your experience in school.

- **STAR** the top five statements.
- Within these five statements, *circle* the top three statements.
- Within these statements, underline the number one choice, the statement that seems **most** true for you.

I WANT TO GET INTO COLLEGE

I WANT TO BE INDEPENDENT

I WANT TO BE A LEADER IN MY COMMUNITY

I WANT TO FULFILL A SPIRITUAL CALLING--
A BELIEF THAT I'M HERE TO DO
SOMETHING SPECIFIC

I WANT TO GET GOOD GRADES

I WANT TO MAKE FRIENDS I'LL HAVE FOR A LIFETIME

I WANT TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL

I WANT TO FIND A SIGNIFICANT OTHER TO SPEND TIME WITH

I WANT TO HAVE FUN IN HIGH SCHOOL

I WANT TO BE LIKED AND RESPECTED BY MY FRIENDS

I WANT TO LEARN ABOUT A SPECIFIC CONTENT AREA (E.G. MATH, ENGLISH, HISTORY, SCIENCE, ETC.) BECAUSE THIS IS SOMETHING I CAN ENVISION USING IN MY PROFESSIONAL CAREER

I WANT TO HAVE FUN IN MY FREE TIME

I WANT TO PLEASE MY PARENTS, TEACHERS, COACHES, AND OTHER ADULT FIGURES IN MY LIFE

I WANT THE HIGHEST GRADE-POINT AVERAGE IN MY CLASS

I WANT TO EXPERIENCE A PARTICULAR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY (E.G. DANCE, THEATER, SPORTS, GOVERNMENT, ETC.) BECAUSE I WANT TO DEVELOP SKILLS THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR EXCELLENCE IN THIS AREA OF WORK AND THAT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR MY FUTURE CAREER

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What are the most important aspects of school for you? Why? What do you want to get out of being a student?

- Do you ever think about what your current work might lead to in the future? In what kind of work do you see yourself involved? Why?

- How does your life at school (as a student, athlete, member of a club, friend, classmate) relate to what you think about doing in the future?
