## **Applying Responsibility Talents in Academics**

These insights and action ideas can help you apply Responsibility talents to achieve in various aspects of your academic life.

### **General Academic Life**

- Prepare for the term by listing the dates of all tests, projects, and papers.
- Ask professors and successful students to show you what an "A" paper and an "A" essay look like.
- Think about what it would mean to be a truly responsible student. Work toward that standard in a progressive manner, taking one step at a time.
- Strive to always work ahead. Read ahead and work problems before the professor has presented them in class.

# **Study Techniques**

- Discover what "doing it right" means to each of your professors.
- Schedule specific study times for each of your classes, and assume full responsibility for investing the necessary time, talents, and effort.
- As you do your reading assignments, highlight the key vocabulary words, main ideas, and characters.
- Make choices about class assignments as soon as possible.

## **Relationships**

- Choose friends you trust.
- Find a mentor.
- Consider having a circle of friends who are older than you.

#### **Class Selection**

- Choose core classes or those required by your major first.
- Select professors you trust.
- Opt for courses in which you have choices to make about your learning.

## **Extracurricular Activities**

- Wisely consider how much time you can devote to clubs and activities.
- Run for an office only if you have the capacity to fulfill it as you would like.
- Select organizations that stand for the same values you do.

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