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# Welcome to the premier issue of **Career Options – High School Edition**

» Thanks for picking up Career Options – High School Edition, and welcome to our very first issue. That’s right, we’re new! So allow us to introduce ourselves. The magazine’s focus is the transition from secondary to post-secondary education. Okay, that sounds dull. But what we really mean to say is this: **the decisions you’re making right now, while you’re still in high school, will have a huge impact on your future.**

So you have some big decisions ahead of you. Many of them may be centred around your plans for college, university or other training after high school. Your parents, guidance counsellors, teachers, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters—everyone wants to know:

- What you’re going to do next
- Which schools you’re considering
- What field you might major in
- Whether you’ll live on campus or off campus
- What your long-term plans are
- And so on, and so on, and so on...

Articles in Career Options – High School Edition have information and perspectives you might not find elsewhere. Our premier edition gives you straight answers about adjusting to college life (“A Blogger Goes to College”), professional school applications (“You May Want to Be a Lawyer, Doctor or Teacher...”) and taking a gap year (“Gappers: Taking time off between high school and post-secondary studies”).

Today Career Options – High School Edition is published in hard copy only, but we have big plans to grow it into a Web 2.0 electronic environment where you and your fellow high school students from across Canada can contribute instant feedback and discussions, blogs, electronic mentoring and much more. We welcome your input as to what you’d like to see in the magazine and online. Please send your comments to Anne Markey at [annem@cacee.com](mailto:annem@cacee.com).

Good luck with your decision making!

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