

Six strategies to help prepare for the end of school

School is such a big part of your life. You might have mixed feelings as you approach the end of it. You may be excited or unsure about your post-school plans. You may feel a bit anxious or overwhelmed. Whether you're planning to study, work or play – think carefully about the transition from school to your life beyond it.

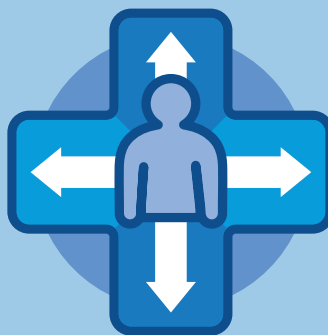
1 Reflect on what you've achieved.



Finishing school is a huge achievement. Reflect on your last few years of school and make sure any important achievements go on your resume.

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2 Understand your pathways.



Whether you're going to TAFE, university or into work, the more you know about how the process works, the better. Browse myfuture's career articles. You can filter by VET or university articles.

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3 Line up some work.

Whatever you do after school, having a job will help. It will put money in your pocket and skills on your resume. Check out myfuture's resume templates and guides to job-seeking.



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4 Tidy up your digital footprint.

Social media and email are crucial for your career as well as your private life. Set up a professional address to use while job-hunting, consider setting up a LinkedIn account and review your personal social media accounts.



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5 Take a break from study.



The end of school is a great time to take a break from study, often called a gap year. You might travel, volunteer or work during this time. A gap year can help you recharge and take a bit of time to figure out your next steps.

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6 Look after your wellbeing.



The end of school can be a complex time emotionally. You might feel excited and anxious at the same time. Make sure to reflect on how you're feeling about things and talk to someone if you need help.

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