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Working while attending college can pay off

Working while going to college can pay off in several ways, according to KHEAA–Alabama. However, if you do plan to work while in school, be aware of the possible drawbacks.

Earning money while in school, building your résumé and learning to work well on a team will help you after college.

Another benefit is that you're learning the importance of time management by having to juggle classes, study time, work and other parts of your life. Employment also helps you build a network of contacts and references that can help you in your future job search.

But there can be drawbacks. Working and going to school, especially if you have both a full-time job and full schedule of classes, can cut into your study time. It can also reduce your downtime, which you need to keep yourself healthy, as well as being a good student and employee. Before adding on more work hours or additional classes, make sure you will still have the time you need to take care of yourself.

KHEAA is a public, non-profit agency established in 1966 to improve students' access to college. It provides information about financial aid and financial literacy at no cost to students and parents.

The agency also helps colleges manage their student loan default rates and verify information submitted on the FAFSA. For more information about those services, visit www.kheaa.com.

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For more information about financial aid and college planning, visit www.alstudentaid.com.