STRATEGIC® ACTION ITEMS

GENERAL ACADEMIC LIFE

- Don't be afraid to be different. Discuss with professors the various approaches you can take to tackle an assignment.
- Participate in research, or develop your own research project.
- Search for ways to express your creative thinking.
- Opt for classes that encourage discussion and creative solutions.

STUDY TECHNIQUES

- Reflect and write down your ideas for possible solutions to problems.
- In group settings, work with others to generate new ideas or clarify your own.
- Be creative in your studying. Make up games or develop mnemonic devices and anecdotes to relate information.
- Do more than is expected. It is not difficult for you to expand on an idea, and you will learn more about the subject.

RELATIONSHIPS

- Seek a leadership role in a group. You see the path to success more clearly than many.
- As you seek to achieve your leadership goals, always have your followers in mind.
- Encourage friends to call on you to devise the best way to achieve their goals.

CLASS SELECTION

- Consider taking an independent-study class. Your Strategic talents can help you work on your own.
- Consider elective classes with subject matter that lends itself to strategic thinking, like engineering or marketing.
- Choose classes that emphasize alternative ideas or solutions.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Consider running for an elected office, and confidently state your ideas.
- Participate in cultural activities and exchanges to better understand the world around you.
- Find organizations that need your planning abilities.

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