Students across the country are struggling with the consequences of poor financial decisions.

What age group makes up the fastest growing group of bankruptcy filers? 25 and younger

What percent of college freshman know others would be repelled by their spending habits? 24%

2/3 of the class of 2011 graduated with education debt.

44% of college students drop out before obtaining their degree.

60% of students said they liked to own things that impress others.

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Break from the pack. Take hold of your spending habits and commit to getting through school with less debt! Here are 4 things you can do to help build a financially fit future.

1. Meet with an academic advisor to chart a course to degree completion.
2. Make a plan and budget to cover the costs for your program.
3. Talk to the financial aid office to make sure you’re borrowing wisely.
4. Stay strong and stick to your budget, financing, and academic plan.

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