# Help Your Teen Have a Million Dollar Retirement 

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Most parents do the responsible thing and teach their teens about the dangers of drugs and having unprotected sex, but many forget to teach their kids about money... how to save it, why and how to make it work for them. So help a teen out and encourage him or her to start a Roth IRA.

If you make a gift of $\$ 4,300$, spread it out over seven consecutive years, have the teen add some dollars to it from a summer or weekend job, they can be on their way to having a million-dollar retirement. Through compounded interest and the higher rate of return on a Roth than a simple savings account, the few hundred dollars a teen contributes a year until they get a first job will quickly turn into a few thousand dollars by the time an $18^{\text {th }}$ birthday is reached.

Starting early is key. If a teen starts at age 14 and contributes for seven years and then stops, it will be more profitable than if he or she waits for seven years and contributes the same annual amount until retirement. So, $\$ 500$ saved for seven years now and stopping, will grow more than waiting seven years and contributing $\$ 500$ per year until age 70 . Compounded interest; it's a wealth builder.

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