Roadmap to College

PRE-KINDERGARTEN through college

Always:
- Be kind, honest, and fair.
- Complete all assignments.
- Be positive and good neighbors.

Freshman:
- Meet your school counselor to discuss college plans and stress plans.
- Design some courses of study recommended for colleges you would like to attend.
- Learn to challenge diploma, especially college preparatory courses, such as Algebra, Geometry, English, History, and World Languages. Consider taking Advanced Placement (AP) or Honors courses.
- Take a foreign language in addition to English; History, Mathematics, and Science.
- Take mathematics and college preparatory science courses to build a strong foundation.
- Start a calendar with important dates and deadlines.
- Prepare for college entrance tests: Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) and/or the American College Testing (ACT) exams.
- Consider enrolling in Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses, if available.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college majors and career goals.
- Explore summer opportunities such as jobs, internships, job shadowing, volunteer work, and summer programs.
- Develop good study habits and organizational skills.
- Keep a file of important documents and notes (copies of report cards, lists of awards and honors, lists of volunteer activities, and all other related items). A quality office or school file is essential.
- Check off items as you complete them.

Sophomore:
- Meet your school counselor to discuss college plans and stress plans.
- Take a foreign language, in addition to English, History, Mathematics, and Science.
- Develop good study habits and organizational skills.
- Keep your school counselor informed of your plans.
- Start a calendar with important standardized tests, admission, and financial aid dates and deadlines.
- Narrow your list of colleges. Obtain application and financial aid information from each. Visit as many as possible. Attend college fairs and financial aid workshops.
- Create a project file, if you have not started one already.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college plans and career goals.
- Continue to take a foreign language, in addition to English, Social Science, Mathematics, and Science.
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- Prepare for college entrance tests: Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) and/or the American College Testing (ACT) exams.
- Consider enrolling in Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses, if available.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college majors and career goals.
- Explore summer opportunities such as jobs, internships, job shadowing, volunteer work, and summer programs.
- Develop good study habits and organizational skills.
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Juniors:
- Check into financial aid programs and scholarships and explore external scholarship opportunities, such as Army ROTC.
- Save money for your college education.
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- Start a calendar with important standardized tests, admission, and financial aid dates and deadlines.
- Consider enrolling in Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses, if available.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college plans and career goals.
- Continue to take a foreign language, in addition to English, History, Mathematics, and Science.
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- Prepare for college entrance tests: Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) and/or the American College Testing (ACT) exams.
- Consider enrolling in Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses, if available.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college plans and career goals.
- Explore summer opportunities such as jobs, internships, job shadowing, volunteer work, and summer programs.
- Develop good study habits and organizational skills.
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Seniors:
- Check off items as you complete them.
- Accept offers and return any deposits requested by colleges.
- Keep a file of important documents and notes (copies of report cards, lists of awards and honors, lists of volunteer activities, and all other related items). A quality office or school file is essential.
- Start a calendar with important dates and deadlines.
- Narrow your list of colleges. Obtain application and financial aid information from each. Visit as many as possible. Attend college fairs and financial aid workshops.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college plans and career goals.
- Continue to take a foreign language, in addition to English, History, Mathematics, and Science.
- Consider a career of interest to you.
- Prepare for college entrance tests: Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) and/or the American College Testing (ACT) exams.
- Consider enrolling in Advanced Placement (AP) and Honors courses, if available.
- Meet with your school counselor to discuss college plans and career goals.
- Explore summer opportunities such as jobs, internships, job shadowing, volunteer work, and summer programs.
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