



Junior Year Academic “To-Do” Checklist

FALL

- ___ Review my transcript and check sheet to ensure I’m on track for graduation (# of credits as well as the necessary classes)
- ___ Take ISTEP if have not yet passed, participate in lab classes if needed
- ___ Make a file to manage your college search, testing, and application data.
- ___ Begin exploring colleges – online (www.triptocollege.com, www.campustours.com, or <https://indiana.kuder.com>), College Handbook resources in guidance office, sign up for CHS college visits when available
- ___ Take a variety of campus visits (local, large, small, public, and private) if available during school vacation days. Take note of each school’s admission requirements. Ask for brochures or applications to add to my college folder.
- ___ Take the PSAT or ASVAB **offered at CHS in October**
- ___ Attend CHS Financial Aid night (October 6th at 6:30pm) – will be virtual this year!
- ___ Prepare to take the SAT by reviewing PSAT results, online resources (www.collegeboard.com, www.actstudent.org), taking additional practice tests, or prep course
- ___ Register for the SAT and/or ACT (held at CHS in December and June) at least once junior year and **again summer before senior year.**

WINTER

- ___ Make sure to pass first semester REQUIRED courses for graduation. See counselor (Mrs. Bowland or Ms, Fox) ASAP if you need to make up a credit during 2nd semester.
- ___ Review my transcript and check sheet to ensure I’m on track for graduation (# of credits as well as the necessary classes)
- ___ Be thinking of senior year class selections (revisit 4-year plan)
- ___ Begin discussing a financial plan for college with my family
- ___ Attend Education Pathways and AP Night with my parents
- ___ Turn in my senior year course request sheet ON TIME
- ___ Keep a running list of all high school accomplishments, awards, and achievements
- ___ Create relationships with individuals who could write a strong recommendation when I begin applying to colleges

SPRING

- _____ Continue exploring career choices and possible majors (www.bridges.com, <https://indiana.kuder.com> or www.learnmoreindiana.com)
- _____ Look into junior-eligible scholarships
- _____ Take ISTEP if necessary
- _____ Attend CHS College Fair (March 9th from 6:00-7:30 pm). Add information to college file
- _____ Sign up for summer school or online courses if needed for credits

SUMMER

- _____ Take advantage of the summer to job shadow, volunteer, and resume build
- _____ Report any online credits earned over the summer to your counselor ASAP. **Make sure my class schedule is correct PRIOR to registration.**
- _____ Take campus tours and, at the colleges I'm serious about, make appointments to have interviews with admissions counselors. Narrow selection to about 6-8 colleges
- _____ Update my resume – a record of accomplishments, activities, awards, and work experiences since you started high school.
- _____ Check application dates as large universities may have early dates