



11th Grade Objectives & Timeline

- **AUGUST – SEPTEMBER**
 - Review graduation requirements and post-secondary goals.
 - Meet with counselor to discuss college and career interests.
 - Begin exploring college majors and admission requirements.
 - Create a résumé tracking academics, service, and extracurriculars.
 - Register for the PSAT/NMSQT — key for National Merit recognition.
- **OCTOBER**
 - Take the PSAT/NMSQT and use results to identify strengths and growth areas.
 - Attend college fairs and explore virtual campus tours.
 - Start building a balanced college list (reach, match, safety schools).
- **NOVEMBER – DECEMBER**
 - Research admissions requirements (GPA, SAT/ACT, prerequisites).
 - Continue academic focus — junior-year grades are highly reviewed.
 - Begin exploring scholarships that open to juniors.
- **JANUARY – FEBRUARY**
 - Review PSAT results and set goals for spring SAT/ACT testing.
 - Register for SAT or ACT practice sessions or prep courses.
 - Explore dual-enrollment or AP options for senior year.
 - Continue community service and leadership involvement.
- **MARCH – APRIL**
 - Take first SAT/ACT or schedule for early summer.
 - Visit local or state universities during spring break.
 - Attend junior-focused college nights or counselor workshops.
 - Begin drafting a personal statement outline or journal reflections.
- **MAY – JUNE**
 - Finalize senior-year course schedule for rigor and alignment with goals.
 - Request teacher recommendations for summer writing.
 - Begin researching FAFSA, Bright Futures, and scholarship timelines.
 - Plan summer campus visits or pre-college programs.
- **JULY (Optional Summer Enrichment)**
 - Participate in academic, leadership, or service programs.
 - Refine résumé and personal statement drafts.
 - Create a list of application deadlines and required materials.



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- **AUGUST – SEPTEMBER**
 - Review graduation requirements and post-secondary options (college, trade, military, workforce).
 - Finalize college list — reach, match, and safety schools.
 - Register for SAT/ACT or complete PERT if needed.
 - Begin drafting personal statements and request recommendation letters.
 - Update résumé and community service documentation.
- **OCTOBER**
 - Complete FAFSA (opens October 1).
 - Apply for Bright Futures and other state scholarships.
 - Attend college fairs, virtual tours, and campus visits.
 - Begin submitting early-action or early-decision applications.
- **NOVEMBER – DECEMBER**
 - Finalize all college applications and essays.
 - Monitor portals for missing documents or recommendations.
 - Continue scholarship searches (local, institutional, national).
 - Keep grades strong — first-semester performance still matters.
- **JANUARY – FEBRUARY**
 - Submit additional scholarship and financial aid forms.
 - Review FAFSA confirmation and correct errors if needed.
 - Compare acceptance timelines and merit aid offers.
 - Send updated transcripts if requested.
- **MARCH – APRIL**
 - Review acceptance letters and financial aid award packages.
 - Attend admitted-student days or information sessions.
 - Make final decisions and notify schools by May 1 (National Decision Day).
- **MAY – JUNE**
 - Submit housing deposits, orientation forms, and final transcripts.
 - Complete senior exit surveys and celebrate accomplishments!
 - Prepare for transition — budgeting, time management, independence.