# Sophomore Year

## Fall: August - December

- Focus on doing your best in your class (Grades = Money in the eyes of colleges)
- Get involved (or stay involved) in extracurricular activities
  - o Look for leadership opportunities in your activities
  - o Focus more on the QUALITY of your involvement, not the quantity of activities you're in
- Attend college visits in the Postsecondary Advising & Resource Center (The PARC)
  - o Visits begin in September
  - o <u>Click here</u> for instructions on how to sign-up for these visits
- Register for AP Tests (if applicable)
- Review the <u>Program Planning Guide</u> to assist with future course selection
  - o Look at all options, including **Dual Credit** & **TCD**
- Attend college fairs & visit college campuses
  - o On-Campus Visit Tips are also available
- Complete/update your 4-Year Plan in SchooLinks

## Winter: January - February

- Continue to make academics a priority
- Use SchooLinks to explore careers & colleges
  - o <u>College Search Tool</u> (And <u>Understanding Scattergrams</u>)
  - o Planning Assessments / Interest Inventories
- Enter your course selection into SchooLinks
  - o Afterward, meet with your counselor for Course Verification
- Are you a prospective college athlete? If so, create your <u>NCAA Eligibility Center account</u>
- Continue attending college fairs & visiting college campuses
  - o On-Campus Visit Tips are also available

#### Spring: March - May

- Take the Pre-ACT 10
  - o This will help prepare you for the SAT you will take during Junior Year
- Attend College Planning Night (NCHS) / Postsecondary Planning Night (NNHS)
- Continue attending college fairs & visiting college campuses
  - o On-Campus Visit Tips are also available
- Finish Sophomore Year strong!

#### Summer: June – July

- Continue attending college fairs & visiting college campuses
  - o **On-Campus Visit Tips** are also available
- Make sure that your <u>Student Profile in SchooLinks</u> is up-to-date
- Looking for something to do over the summer? Consider getting a part-time job, volunteering, or attending a pre-college program.





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