

JUNIOR YEAR CHECKLIST

FALL

- Set new goals and expectations for the year
- Complete a credit check to make sure you are on pace with graduation requirements
- Take the PSAT, ASVAB and/or other standardized practice tests and continue preparing for ACT later in year
- Begin attending sessions with college reps and go on college visits. Maybe even check out some college fairs!
- If interested in military, connect with a recruiter - they will be a major asset moving forward!
- Continue exploring and planning post secondary options - this is IMPORTANT for your Junior PEP Talk in winter
- Sign up for AP exams and college credits if you signed up for those classes

WINTER

- Continue with college visits, career days, and college fairs.
- Scholarship time! - start looking at scholarships available to you and making a list of which ones you want to apply for next year
- Discuss with family your financial situation for life after high school (college, tech schools, workforce, independent living)
- Research college majors and careers more in depth - there are lots of options out there, some you didn't even know about
- Unsure about the four-year college route? Start looking at two year schools to get started after high school - this may be a better fit for YOU!
- Complete Junior PEP Talk with your PHS Counselor

SPRING

- Begin asking for letters of recommendation for college applications and scholarships - giving people time for this is much appreciated
- Take the ACT at PHS - every student gets a free one!
- If you are looking to play sports in college, complete NCAA Clearinghouse info (www.eligibilitycenter.org)
- Make sure you are signing up for the right classes for senior year - college credit, career related, grad requirements, etc.
- Begin narrowing choices for colleges you are most interested in
- Reflect on the school year and what YOU need to do going forward - the finish line is in sight!
- Finish the school year STRONG - junior year is tough, but so are you!