




Getting Started in High School

Junior Year – Fall

 Talk to others about your career ideas and education plans after high school. Here's a list of some people you might ask. List the names of people you think would offer you valuable advice:


Family _____


Teachers _____


Counselors _____

Health professionals _____





Friends _____

 Check out college fairs in your school and find out when colleges offer a “visit” day for high school students to tour the campus. Which colleges are you interested in?




 Take the PSAT. Getting a good score on the PSAT is noticeable to colleges—they will send you information about their school, and even may offer you scholarships.

 Talk to your high school guidance counselor about the classes that you are taking to make sure you are getting all the math, science and English classes you need. Consider taking Advanced Placement or dual credit classes if your high school offers them; these often give you a head start on your college classes.

For the colleges and universities you are interested in, you need to:

-  Request that they send you their admissions and financial aid information.
-  Find out when they offer days for high school students to come visit their campus.
-  Find out the deadlines for submitting your admissions application as well as financial aid applications.
-  Check to see whether they require the SAT or ACT, as well as what kinds of scores you need to make on these tests.

Junior Year – Spring

-  Take the SAT and/or ACT test.
-  Narrow your college choices and visit the campus.
-  Participate in job shadowing with a professional in the career fields that you are interested in. List job shadow possibilities below:
