

COLLEGE TIMELINE: 10TH GRADE

**GRADE 10 – SOPHOMORE YEAR** 

<u>August</u>
Check credits to make sure you are on schedule for graduation requirements.
Check to make sure your courses meet college entrance requirements.
Remember, colleges are looking for the following:
<ul> <li>Challenging coursework</li> <li>Strong GPA</li> <li>Involvement in extracurricular activities</li> <li>Community Service</li> </ul>
<u>September</u>
Review for the PSAT/NMSQT. Study the PSAT/NMSQT Student Bulletin and old tests. Use computer software and printed aids for study and review additional materials at <a href="http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html">http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html</a>
OCTOBER/NOVEMBER
Take the PSAT/NMSQT for practice. On the test form, check the box which will put you on the mailing list for college information.
Complete your 10 <sup>th</sup> grade Naviance Family Connection milestones and four-year plan.
Students with disabilities please bring your career interests from Naviance Family Connection and four-year graduation plan to your ARD meeting to provide information on your transition plan.
December/January
Plan a program of study for your junior year with your counselor. Learn about opportunities to earn college credit or advanced placement (College Board Advanced Placement Testing). Take as many academic courses as possible.
Study your PSAT/NMSQT score report. Compare items missed with the correct responses.
Attend programs about Dual Credit options at your high school campus.
Attend Mandatory Collegiate Meeting for Junior Year

THROUGHOUT THE TEAK
Continue taking appropriate courses.
Maintain good grades.
Gather and review information about colleges.
Investigate costs of various college programs.
Continue to review career choices. Check out materials.
Choose 11 <sup>th</sup> grade year courses wisely!
Explore opportunities for college dual-enrollment credit.
Meet with college representatives as they visit your school.
Participate in community activities and keep log documenting hours served.
Seek ways to develop your leadership skills.
Continue building your résumé in Naviance Family Connection.

<sup>\*</sup>Students with disabilities—please contact your counselor at least 8 weeks prior to registration for any college entrance exam to discuss any accommodations for testing based on ARD committee recommendations.