

Service Offerings for Junior Year

During their junior year, students are **highly engaged** in their high school career, focused on definite areas of interests and passions. Planning, organization and time management are crucial for juggling schoolwork, extracurricular activities and standardized test preparation. Students are most successful when guided by their detailed action plans and encouraged to excel throughout this challenging year.

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- > **Develop** a preliminary resume
 - Create a resume based on information gleaned from his or her Brag Book
 - Add or modify elements as new activities and accomplishments surface
- > Review two-year academic plan
 - Review course selection plan to ensure it challenges the student and assists in achieving his or her long-term college goals
 - Incorporate remediation of weaknesses into action plan
 - Track grades to insure successful completion of long-term college goals
 - Compare grades to academic goals quarterly
- > Refine choices of summer and extracurricular activities
 - Review appropriate summer activities based on student interests and expertise
 - Incorporate programs that will enhance college application, such as internships and summer scholar programs in area of interest
- **Prepare** for important college entrance exams and specialized tests
 - Participate in PSAT exam in October—National Merit Scholarships at stake
 - Take ACT/SAT in January, March and May of junior year
 - Prepare for and take SAT II subject tests
 - Prepare for and take AP exams in May
- Finalize college selection criteria
 - Focus on criteria that determine how well a college or university will fit
 - Research college major of interest and the colleges rating in that major
 - Determine how graduates of that program fare in the job market after graduation
- Focus list of targeted colleges
 - Choose 10 to12 from the preliminary list of schools that fulfill all of the selection requirements
- > Complete college visits
 - Focus on schools in the final list, plan ahead, tour with a purpose
 - Target not only colleges or universities in which you are interested but also the school division (i.e., Business, Science) to which you intend to apply
 - Attempt to get a special visit with a professor or student liaison who will create a more meaningful tour of the school
 - Complete application interview if one is required and time permits