

JUNIOR CHECKLIST



- Listen to the announcements. Log on to our school website for the most updated information.
- Log on to Virtual Counselor in the Media Center and review it for accuracy of information.
- Review your course selections and **verify** that **all requirements** are being met for graduation. Will you have the 2.0 G.P.A. required for graduation? Have you passed the graduation requirement of Algebra I or its equivalent? Information on graduation requirements can be obtained on Virtual Counselor or in the Guidance office.
- Continue working on your community service hours. 40 Community service hours are needed to graduate and 250 hours are needed for a silver cord at graduation. In addition, your involvement in community activities may be given consideration in your admission to college and for some scholarships. Now is the time to get involved if you are not already. Visit www.volunteerbroward.org for a list of approved organizations.
- Make sure you take the proper classes if you plan to apply for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Programs and/or the NCAA Clearinghouse. You can check your Bright Futures status on www.FACTS.org.
- Attend the annual “College Night” in November.
- Take the **PSAT** in October as a practice SAT and for Scholarship opportunities.
- Take the **SAT** and/or **ACT** in the spring of your junior year. Your scores will be used in the admission and/or placement process at community colleges or universities and in qualifying for many scholarship programs, including the Bright Futures. Check to see if any colleges require SAT II subject tests.
- If you have not passed the FCAT in your sophomore year, plan to take it again in October of your Junior year. You **must pass** the FCAT to earn a high school diploma. Check out FCAT Explorer for information on how to get FCAT tips, strategies, and practice exams.
- Talk to a recruiter if you plan to join the military.

- ❑ Plan your senior year schedule with care and consideration. If you are planning on attending a university, take as many academic subjects as you can handle successfully. Ask teachers questions about courses to help you make your selections. Ask your counselor questions at registration regarding your senior schedule and future plans.
- ❑ Dual Enrollment at Broward Community College is available to eligible students. Students must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted grade point average, minimum SAT/ACT/CPT scores. See your counselor for more details.
- ❑ If you are interested in a vocational program, talk to your counselor about Atlantic Vocational/Technical Center. You must attend an orientation, fill out an application and return it to your counselor. Apply early, programs fill up quickly!
- ❑ Begin to prepare your resume.
- ❑ See your counselor regarding Night School if you need to make up any credits. Remember, you can take a **maximum** of **two** night school credits during your high school career.
- ❑ Remember, for entrance in most colleges and universities: (1) only Algebra I and above are counted in math (ie Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II), (2) a minimum of two years of a foreign language is necessary, (3) a minimum of 19 credits in academics is required. English, mathematics, science, social studies and foreign language are generally considered core academics. Check to see which high school courses count as academics at the colleges you are interested in.
- ❑ Visit colleges, research their programs and sign up to visit with a college representative when they visit our campus.
- ❑ Start deciding which colleges/universities you will be applying to. During the summer write to colleges to request application materials. To give yourself the best opportunity for admissions, apply to colleges in September/October of your senior year.
- ❑ Make an appointment with the BRACE advisor to get additional information on scholarships and your post secondary options.

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