

Junior Year Timeline

- Join Clubs and Sports.
- Get involved! Volunteer within your community and keep track of where you volunteered and how many hours.
- Start thinking about what is **important to you** about college, trade school or work (major, minor, size, location, cost, sports, shopping, salary, duties, etc.).
- If you are planning to go into the workforce, start looking at what is required to do the job you would like. Start researching job openings and descriptions to see if you need a certain class to do the job (ex. electricians need algebra).
- If you are planning to go into the military. Speak with the representatives that come to visit and visit the recruiters office.
- Look up schools that fit your interests and make a list, same with jobs- for example, if you like kids, what can you do, if you like working on cars, what are your options, etc.
- **suny.edu/majors** is the website to search all SUNY schools, type in accounting, business, teaching, mechanics, etc. It will tell you all SUNY schools with your major.
- <u>Listen to the announcements</u> and sign up in Mrs. Schneider's office to meet with representatives that are visiting, ask them questions.

JANUARY:

- As soon as PSAT scores are in, Mrs. Schneider will meet with you to review score and give you your exam booklet to review your answers.
- Start thinking about when you will take your SAT's/ACT's (March? May? or June?). Go with a group of friends, it makes it easier, plan to have lunch after if you can, you will be hungry! Many schools have made the SATS optional, but not all of them.
- Call the colleges/unions, jobs you are interested in to see if there are any course requirements for your major that you should take your senior year (we will be doing schedules in March). **Colleges track this, if you call or email asking questions, they mark it down, it shows your commitment and interest in their school.
- Admission representatives like to see a full course load with difficult courses (when we do schedules keep that in mind).
- Prepare for SATs/ACTs do practice questions on collegeboard.com or ACT.org



FEBRUARY:

- Stop into Guidance if you have questions about your college/military/job search.
- Register for a spring SAT and/or the ACT.
- Continue researching and asking questions, try to do observations, internships at different places, we all think we know what a job or career entails, go see it first-hand.

MARCH/APRIL:

- Take the SATs (do not forget your entrance ticket).
- Call the Office of Admissions of the Colleges you are interested in and ask them to send you information.
- Visit colleges, universities, trade schools during your spring break... there are four colleges within an hour away! Take advantage!

MAY:

- Take the **SAT if you registered** this month.
- Start preparing for regents.

JUNE:

- Take **SAT**'s/**ACT's** if you are registered for them this month.
- Study, Study, Study for finals and Regents exams.

Your grades and regents scores this year can be the determining factor of you getting into the college you want.

July and August:

- Set up more college/job visits and dive into your search.
- In the fall you will meet with Mrs. Schneider so we can start the "what am I doing after high school process." (3)