



TEMPLE CITY HIGH SCHOOL



Junior Year Checklist: How to Prepare for Your Post High School Plan

AUGUST

- Registration: Review your transcript and courses to be sure that you are enrolled in the correct courses for Post-high school plan/graduation. See your counsellor to review this information.
- Night School: sign up for night school if you have courses to take for credit recovery

SEPTEMBER

- Register for the PSAT. If taken during junior year you can be eligible to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Programs
- Begin to explore and research careers and colleges to determine what educational requirements you must meet in order to fulfill your post high school goals. Use Naviance to do this research
 - o Website: connection.naviance.com/templecity
 - o User name: email address
 - o Password: tchs+your eight digit birthdate
- Sign up for and attend Career Center Presentations various universities, community colleges and vocational schools come on campus to discuss their programs. Check the website for upcoming presenters. Must sign up for these 24 hours in advance

OCTOBER - DECEMBER

- Take the PSAT
- Attend College Representative Night to get an idea of what requirements you must meet to be eligible to apply.
- Talk with your parents about college plans and cost to gain an understanding of what they can contribute towards your education
- Review the SAT/ACT testing schedules to determine when you will take the exams. Remember you can take them again if you are not happy with the scores
- Begin preparing for the SAT/ACT tests
- Continue to sign up for and attend Career Center Presentations

JANUARY - MARCH

- Begin a preliminary list of colleges/trade schools you would like to research further
- Use Naviance to continue researching various schools and programs of interest
- Registration:
 - o Carefully review the requirements for your post high school plan.
 - o Design your senior year schedule to fulfill these requirements.
 - o Begin applying to AP/Honors courses. Attend the informational meetings to determine which classes may be a good fit for your.
 - o Register for summer school: This is your last opportunity to make up courses needed for graduation or college entrance. Review plan with your counselor

APRIL

- Set up tours for vocational schools, community colleges, universities, etc to get an idea of the campus setting and if it is a good fit for you
- Research any summer programs you would like to participate in. Visit Naviance and the Career Center to get more information about these programs.

MAY - JUNE

- Narrow your college/vocational school lists. Think about which places you can potentially visit over the summer
- Athletes: If you plan on playing sports in college you must register with the NCAA clearing house at the end of the semester/over the summer to be eligible for coaches to recruit you. See the NCAA link under the course planning section for more information.

