# Things to Do While in High School

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- Up-Date Educational Development Plan (EDP Career Cruising)
- **Focus on academics**
- □ Get involved with at least one co-curricular or extra-curricular organization
- Use Career Pathways and EDP information to choose classes for the following school year
- □ Take the Ninth grade MEAP & the PSAT 9 test (practice SAT)
- □ Attend College Planning Night

# 10<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- □ Up-Date EDP
- □ Continue involvement in an extra-curricular or co-curricular organization
- □ Take the PSAT 10 test (practice SAT)
- Use Career Pathways and EDP information to choose classes for the following school year
- □ Order high school ring if you wish
- □ Attend College Planning Night

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- □ Sign-up for the PSAT/NMSQT (practice SAT) test during registration in August
- □ Up-date EDP and create Portfolio
- □ Continue involvement in an extra-curricular or co-curricular organization
- □ Order high school ring if you wish
- Begin researching colleges, technical/trade schools, apprenticeship programs, and/or the military
- Detential College Athletes must fill out NCAA Clearinghouse forms at <u>www.eligibilitycenter.org</u>
- □ Take the MME Exam in March (includes the SAT test)
- Go to <u>www.collegeboard.org</u> to sign up for future SAT tests after April if you wish to retake
- □ Visit colleges and technical schools in February, March, and April
- Use Career Pathways, EDP and transcript audit information to choose classes for the following school year
- Attend College Planning Night
- □ Request Letters of Recommendation from teachers/coaches before leaving for the summer
- □ Fill out college applications during the summer

#### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- □ Attend Senior Parent Night
- D Parents get involved with the Senior All Night Party Committee
- □ Stay involved in clubs and organizations
- □ Stay focused on academics
- □ Verify senior standing information (letter sent home in October)
- □ Visit colleges and technical/trade schools in September
- Image: Attend Financial Aid Night in October
- Complete Taxes and Financial Aid Forms (FAFSA) in October
- □ Complete all college applications by October 31<sup>st</sup>
- □ Order graduation announcements and cap and gown in Fall
- □ Apply for as many local and national scholarships as possible (check Scholarship Gazette)
- □ Senior Walk
- □ Graduation
- Attend Senior All Night Party