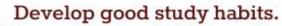
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# Planning Checklist





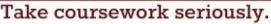


Set up a daily time schedule for studying. Study until it becomes a habit, not a chore. Remember, practice makes permanence!









Grades count toward Bright Futures Scholarships. Continue doing well in your required classes to maximize your choices after high school.







## Discuss your educational plans.

Talk with your parents, teachers, and school counselor about your plans for the future.







#### Look at admission requirements.

Start looking at admission/acceptance requirements for the top schools and colleges with the major(s) you are interested in.







#### Stay Involved!

Continue with school and extracurricular activities as well as voluntary service hours for potential scholarships. Keep complete records of these activities. Consider asking for a reference letter.





# Register and take the PSAT/NMSQT in Fall.

This will help you plan your coursework for your senior year. It will give you insight into how you might do on the SAT/ACT and what classes can help you strengthen your scores.







#### Use FloridaShines.

Go to <a href="https://www.floridashines.org">https://www.floridashines.org</a> to review your academic transcript, your Bright Futures initial eligibility, and review course offerings or request a catalog from colleges and technical schools you may be interested in.





## Learn about ways to pay for school

Continue to find out as much as you can about financial aid: scholarships, grants, work study, and loans.





#### Talk to your school counselor.

Find out about dual enrollment and Advanced Placement opportunities through your school. If you have the required GPA for enrollment, take the PERT to see if you can take advantage of this opportunity.





## Ask about your courses.

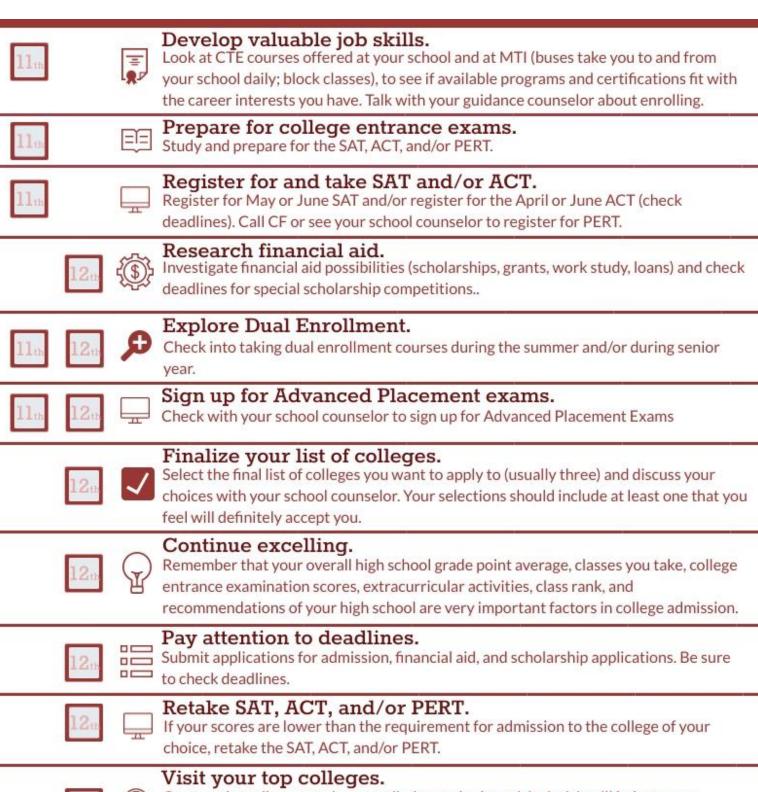
Check with your school counselor to make sure your courses meet college requirements and will prepare you for your expected major in college.





#### Explore information about colleges.

Check sources of information available from your school counselor. Go online or write to colleges for applications for admission and financial aid.



Contact the colleges you have applied to and ask to visit. A visit will help you see whether or not you are really interested and will help you see how one college differs from another. It will also allow you to talk with students about the strengths and weaknesses of an institution.





#### Check and recheck.

Check with the colleges you are applying to make sure you have done everything necessary for admissions and financial aid.



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