



Junior Year Checklist

Your Junior year is a pivotal time. Colleges/universities look closely at your scheduled courses, grades, and activities when making admissions decisions. Do your research, and make sound choices!

The Academic Advisor is the student's advocate and will oversee the educational process for all students as they prepare for Commencement and College.



Academic

- ✓ Concentrate on your GPA.
 - ◇ Use your planner!
 - ◇ Check Renweb regularly for homework, grade updates, and to track your GPA.
 - ◇ Colleges/universities want to see a majority of academic courses.
- ✓ Meet with your Academic Advisor for a Junior Visit during your 1st Semester to be sure your classes meet graduation requirements, and discuss scheduling your ACT and/or SAT.
- ✓ Meet with your Academic Advisor in April to review transcript and register for courses for next year.
- ✓ Take ACT and/or SAT (Give ACT/SAT the FRCS school code 233460 to have scores included in your HS transcript)
- ✓ Take AP exams for any AP classes you've completed.

Extra-Curricular

- ✓ If You have not already, join one or two sports, clubs, or student government. Colleges will consider your extra-curricular involvement when making decisions.
- ✓ Find fun and interesting ways to volunteer. Forty (40) hours of volunteer service must be completed by the end of the first semester of your Senior Year.

College/Career

- ✓ Attend college fairs (National Christian College Fair at FRCS), local "college nights," career days, and financial aid workshops.
- ✓ Get information packets from the colleges you are considering.
- ✓ Intensify scholarship search (don't forget parent's employer). Keep track of deadlines and requirements. Check Renweb and the college board outside the MS/HS office for updates.
- ✓ Update your records of activities, volunteer work, employment, programs, classes, and travels. File information you receive on colleges, scholarships, and tests. Your interests may change as you get older; gaining more experience may help narrow your career focus. These activities are also great to list on resumes and college applications.
- ✓ Create a master calendar of deadlines. Include college applications, test registrations and test dates, scholarships applications, housing, and financial deadlines.
- ✓ Zero in on which teachers, mentors, coaches, or pastors you want to ask for recommendations.
- ✓ Create a list of 8-10 potential college choices.
- ✓ Plan college visits and make appointments (3 college visit days are available between Jr. & Sr. year).

College-Bound Athletes

- ✓ Talk to the Athletic Director about playing for a college team.
- ✓ Apply for athletic scholarships.
- ✓ Register through NCAA Center (if applicable) at the **end** of junior year.