

FRESHMAN YEAR



Meet with your school counselor to discuss future and four-year plan.



Select electives that interest you.



Get involved in a variety of school activities, sports, clubs, or volunteer experiences. Attend the activity fair in the fall.



Build your college credentials by getting involved in summer activities.



Keep a folder or log of your awards, certificates, and community service hours.



Use your summer to explore jobs and careers that interest you.



Start an academic resume.



SOPHOMORE YEAR



Take the PSAT.



Participate in extra curricular activities.



Meet with the school counselor to discuss career path options and future plans.



Get familiar with college/trade school planning and admissions process.



Attend Auburn Career Center presentation and sign up for field trip in the fall.



Take a rigorous courseload.



Attend college fairs, college visits, and information sessions.



Ask your counselor about AP classes and CCP opportunities.



Secure a summer job and build credentials.



JUNIOR YEAR



Register for the PSAT/NMSQT.



Begin exploring colleges and trade schools.
Research cost, admissions, size, and specialties.



Create a professional email account
(firstname.lastname@email address).



Attend LEAF seminars to learn about financial
aid opportunities.



Attend PHS College Info/Financial Aid Night
(September).



Study hard, junior year grades will say a lot
about academic performance.



Create ACT account. Take ACT or SAT.



Think about teachers who can write you a letter
of recommendation. Ask in person.



Get a summer job to expand your experiences
and earn money for college.



Begin college visits. Narrow down college
choices.



SENIOR YEAR

- Finalize your college list or find a personalized career path.
- Complete college applications. Request transcripts in Scoir. Request Letters of Rec. Send national test scores. Meet the deadlines.
- Register for ACT or SAT in summer or early fall.
- Make an appointment with the school counselor as needed.
- Explore financial aid requirements with LEAF advisor.
- Attend PHS College Info/Financial Aid Night (September).
- Create FSA ID (Fed Student Aid ID). Complete FAFSA.
- Apply for scholarships.
- Make a college decision by May 1. Send AP and ACT scores. Verify financial aid.
- Update college selection in Scoir. Send emails declining college acceptances.
- Apply for college housing deadlines. Schedule summer orientation.