

Senior Check List (12th grade)

Fall

- Organize applications by creating files for each of your target schools.
- Keep a list of all requirements and deadlines Utilize a calendar with reminders.
- Retake the ACT and/or SAT if you're looking to improve your score for colleges and Bright Futures. Visit <u>www.satpractice.org</u> for practice tests.
- If you qualify for free or reduced lunch you may be eligible for a fee waiver.
- Take a virtual college tour to help narrow down your choices.
- Apply to schools most have online applications and be mindful of deadlines.
- Visit <u>www.fastweb.com</u> to research potential scholarships.
- Check <u>www.finaid.org</u> to learn more about financial aid. <u>https://fafsa.ed.gov</u> to apply.
- Turn in your volunteer service hours to the guidance office promptly.
- Meet with your School Counselor for your graduation check & post-secondary plan discussion.
- Check your school email daily.
- Take advantage of free tutoring opportunities available on campus.

Winter

- Register for a PIN so you can complete and sign the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <u>www.pin.ed.gov</u>
- File the FAFSA: <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u> after parent/guardian has completed income tax.
- Apply for Bright Futures at <u>www.flordiastudentfinancialaid.org</u> after December 1st.
- Review Bright Futures status at <u>https://www.flordiashines.org</u>
- Make sure you have turned in volunteer service hours to guidance.
- Continue to check your email daily.
- If you do not pass every class, see your School Counselor immediately to recover the credit needed for graduation.

Spring

- Check your email account daily.
- Continue to check for Scholarships.
- Check your email and mail regularly for admissions decisions and communicate them to your School Counselor.
- Fill out the FAFSA at www,fafsa.gov if you haven't already.
- Check deadlines for housing, financial aid, etc, at your choices.
- Maintain your grades and grade point average leading up to graduation!



