

Senior To-Do List for Students Thinking of Joining the Military?

- **Research Military Branches and Career Options**

- Learn about the different branches of the U.S. Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force) and explore the career options and job roles each branch offers.
- Consider factors like career paths, training programs, and long-term benefits such as education, healthcare, and retirement.

- **Meet with a Military Recruiter**

- Schedule a meeting with a recruiter from the branch you're interested in. They can provide you with detailed information on enlistment requirements, training, and benefits. You can find recruiters online or through military recruitment offices.
- Ask questions about timelines, training, and opportunities for advancement or education.

Monday	Navy
Tuesday	Marines
Wednesday	Army
Thursday	VA Army National Guard
Air Force/Space Force and Coast Guard will be scheduled throughout the School Year	

- **Study for the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)**

- The ASVAB is a critical exam that determines your qualification for enlistment and helps identify which military jobs fit your skills. Start preparing early with study guides, practice tests, or online resources.
 - ASVAB Prep Group offered at KHS
 - Online resources:
 - <https://asvabpracticetestonline.com/>
 - <https://asvab-prep.com/>
 - <https://www.asvabpracticetests.com/>

- **Take the ASVAB**

- Schedule and take the ASVAB. Kempsville offers the ASVAB twice- once in the Fall and once in the Spring. You can also take the ASVAB with a recruiter. Be sure to get a good night's sleep beforehand and bring all necessary identification documents.
- Review your scores with your recruiter to determine what career paths are available to you based on your results.

- **Ensure Physical Fitness**

- The military requires recruits to pass physical fitness tests. Start working on your physical fitness now to ensure you meet the requirements.
- Ask your recruiter about the specific fitness requirements for your chosen branch and job role.
- Consider joining a fitness program or working with a coach to prepare.

- **Review the Delayed Entry Program (DEP)**

- The DEP allows you to enlist now and delay your actual service start date until after graduation. This can give you time to finish school and prepare before officially shipping out.
- Discuss this option with your recruiter to see if it's a good fit for your timeline.

- **Discuss Your Decision with Family**

- It's important to involve your family in the decision-making process, as joining the military is a significant life commitment. They can help you weigh the pros and cons and support you as you move forward.