

## **Junior Planning Checklist**

### **Spring**

- **Meet with your counselor during registration. Make sure you review graduation requirements/credits.** Ask about Early Graduation if interested!
- Take the SAT/ACT (Dates listed below). **The ACT will be administered to all juniors for free.**
  - SAT - March 8th, May 3rd, June 7th
  - ACT dates - February 8th, April 5th, June 14th, July 12th
  - Students are eligible for SAT/ACT fee waivers if they are on free/reduced lunch and/or meet economic guidelines. See your counselor for more information.
- Research colleges ([www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org)/[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org))
  - Visit college campuses – Juniors get one educational leave day for college visits.
- **Develop a resume and fill out bragsheet. Templates for both found here:**  
<https://sites.google.com/wcpss.net/mmhs-student-services/high-school-planning/grade-level-information/11th-grade>
  - Make a list of teachers to ask for recommendations - you can ask them to write the letters at the end of your junior year. Send your resume and bragsheet to teachers and counselor by the end of this year.
- Student Athletes should register for the NCAA Clearinghouse (<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>)
- Create a CFNC account. You will use this site during the summer and senior year to explore colleges, apply to colleges, send transcripts, and more. Go to [cfnc.org](http://cfnc.org), click on log in/create an account and follow the steps.
- Visit our Career Development Coordinator – Ms. Parks – Room 3508. Email [kparks@wcpss.net](mailto:kparks@wcpss.net)

### **Summer**

- Start college applications - Applications typically open around beginning of August.
- Complete Residency Determination - <https://ncresidency.cfnc.org/residencyInfo/>
- Start researching financial aid and scholarships ([www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org), [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org))

### **Fall**

- Ask teachers and counselors for college recommendation letters and send bragsheet/resume
- Complete college applications (Early deadlines are mid-October)
- Re-take SAT or ACT if necessary
- Fill out the FAFSA starting December 1, 2025

## **Brag Sheet and Resume**

These are two important aspects to the college application process. It is the way that your teachers/counselors will be able to write strong recommendations for you. Below is the link to the junior page on the Student Services website where you can find a sample resume and the brag-sheet questions. *When you click the box for each, the files will automatically download.* You should fill these out **this semester** and email them to your counselors. This is one area where you can be proactive in the college application process.

<https://sites.google.com/wcpss.net/mmhs-student-services/high-school-planning/grade-level-information/11th-grade>

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