



YEAR BY YEAR CHECKLIST AT LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 1 - 9TH GRADE

Fall

- ☐ Make sure you are connected to your Active Student account.
- ☐ Get a good start with your grades; the courses with credits beginning in 7th grade are included in your final high school GPA/QPA which is sent to colleges, the military, and employers.
- ☐ Join extracurricular activities, both school and non-school-sponsored

Spring

- ☐ Meet with your counselor to select appropriate challenging courses for 10th grade.
- ☐ Explore your interests and possible careers with your school counselor.
- ☐ Investigate and join summer enrichment programs, community service, and other volunteer activities.

YEAR 2 - 10TH GRADE

Fall

- ☐ Make sure you are connected to your Active Student account. Check your GPA/QPA, and meet with your counselor if needed.
- ☐ Continue to keep your grades high so that your GPA/QPA reflects your abilities.
- ☐ Continue to be involved in extracurricular activities
- ☐ If you are interested in attending one of the military universities, begin your application process now.

Spring

- ☐ Meet with your counselor to select appropriate challenging courses for 11th grade.
- ☐ Continue to explore your interests and possible careers with your school counselor
- ☐ Begin to research the three E's (Enroll-colleges, Enlist-military, or Employee-career).
- ☐ Investigate and join summer enrichment programs, community service, and other volunteer activities.

YEAR 3 - 11TH GRADE

Fall

- ☐ Make sure you are connected to your Active Student account. Check your GPA/QPA, and meet with your counselor if needed.
- ☐ Continue to keep your grades high so that your GPA/QPA reflects your abilities.
- ☐ Continue to be involved in extracurricular activities
- ☐ Continue to explore the three E's and begin to narrow down your interests.

- ☐ Familiarize yourself with general college entrance requirements, military requirements, or career-related training.
- ☐ Attend College fairs and meet with college representatives who visit your school
- ☐ If you are interested in Division I or II sports in college, begin your certification process through the NCAA Eligibility Center now.

Spring

- ☐ Attend the parent/student Junior Seminar presentation.
- ☐ Meet with your counselor to select appropriate challenging courses for 12th grade.
- ☐ Take the ACT (all 11th grade will take it at LHS in February)
- ☐ Begin to work on a resume.
- ☐ Begin to work on college application essays.
- ☐ Register online or call the admissions office for summer visits to colleges you are interested in.
- ☐ Investigate and join summer enrichment programs, community service, and other volunteer activities.
- ☐ Complete early admission applications for special programs if interested.

YEAR 4 - 12TH GRADE

Fall

- ☐ Make sure you are connected to your Active Student account. Check your GPA/QPA, and meet with your counselor if needed.
- ☐ Continue to keep your grades high so that your GPA/QPA reflects your abilities.
- ☐ Take the ACT if you haven't taken it.
- ☐ Update or create a resume.
- ☐ Meet with your counselor about final college/military/career choices and review the graduation checklist.
- ☐ Review and begin to complete your Senior Graduation To-Do list.
- ☐ Attend college/career fairs and meet with representatives who visit your school.
- ☐ Visit campuses of your top college choices.
- ☐ Apply to all colleges or Trade Schools of interest as early as possible.
- ☐ Apply for scholarships
- ☐ Complete your FAFSA / MS Financial Aid (opens October 1st)
- ☐ Male students must register for Selective Service on or before their 18th birthday.

Spring

- ☐ Complete FAFSA / Financial Aid before February 1st to be considered for many scholarships & financial aid opportunities.
- ☐ Continue to apply for scholarships, and pay close attention to deadlines.
- ☐ Complete and finalize all information for college/trade school.
- ☐ Arrange interviews for Military and/or work if not attending college /trade school.
- ☐ Complete all necessary steps toward graduation- Senior To-Do List
- ☐ Graduation! Congratulations! You made it to the next step of your journey!