

West Valley High School

9th & 10th Grade College & Career Readiness Checklist

Important Reminders

- Balance GPA and rigor – Tutoring in library after school
- Many universities in WA guarantee admissions 3.0 GPA+college prep coursework
- Exclusive colleges like to see very high GPA and very high rigor
- Submit free and reduced paperwork, qualifying helps access waivers college applications and tests
- Check Skyward frequently to see grades, missing assignments, communication
- Consider creating a professional email address, keep track of passwords

FALL CHECKLIST

☐ Earn required credits

You need **24** credits to graduate from WVHS; every class you take counts towards graduation.

☐ Take Honors courses or High interest courses

- These courses help you decide your future goals and interests!

☐ Get involved in the school community (sports, band, clubs)

- WVHS has a lot to offer, it is up to you to make the most of it!
- Important for job applications, scholarships and college admission.

☐ Volunteer in the community, needs to make sense for your college or career plans

- Helps to build a list of references for future job applications and networks to find that first job when you start looking.
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☐ Explore options for later in high school: College in High School, Running Start, YV-Tech

☐ Explore majors and jobs using **SchoolLinks**, this is part of your High School and Beyond Plan and is a graduation requirement

☐ If you end up failing a class consider summer school

Have a great year, we are excited to have you here!