

Road Map to Success- 11th Grade

General Time Frame	Focus Points
August – September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to improve your organizational skills. Begin a resume that includes your academic accomplishments, extracurricular activities and volunteer experiences. Add to the resume as you gain knowledge and experience. Stay active in clubs and organizations and consider trying out for a leadership role.
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the PSAT/NMSQT. Juniors are eligible to qualify for National Merit by taking the PSAT their 11th grade year. Continue working on the list of all the colleges that interest you and research the <u>core requirements for those colleges</u>. If you have a major in mind, research that department of each school to see the <u>requirements for that major</u>. Continue researching scholarships.
November – December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit colleges and talk to college students. This will continue to give an insight of what to expect and helpful hints <u>straight</u> from the source. Refine your list of the colleges that you are interested in to no more than 10. You can continue to research colleges and update your list throughout the school year. Make sure that you have linked your College Board Account to Khan Academy in order to prepare for the SAT. Attend an Individual Junior Conference with your counselor in order to prepare for your senior year and college.
January – February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend the Dulles High School Course Selection Fair to learn about classes you may want to take next year. Meet with your counselor to choose your 12th grade courses. Plan to complete your endorsement and graduate with a Distinguished designation, which requires the successful completion of Algebra II. Register for the SAT or the ACT and plan to take either exam or both exams by June. Continue making college visits. Register for Advance Placement exams.
March – June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take the SAT or ACT. Take AP exams in May for College Credit. Take the US History EOC. Visit the DHS College and Career Center.
Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find a summer job or volunteer opportunity. Continue saving for college. Continue researching scholarships. Do the summer reading that is required by your school for AP English. You will find this at www.Fortbendis.com. Start researching the documents you will need to apply for financial aid through the FAFSA.

Helpful Websites

College Readiness Information
collegefortexans.com

College Entrance Exams
collegeboard.org
act.org

Virtual College Tours
eCampusTours.com

Financial Aid
FAFSA

Volunteer Work
VolunteerMatch.org

College Entrance Test Prep through Khan Academy
Khan Academy

College Applications
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