

FRESHMAN PLANNING TIMELINE

FALL:

- Review grades and standardized test results to look for strengths and weaknesses.
- Talk about the importance of grades on the transcript.
- Set realistic goals for post-high school plans.
- Start to evaluate your gifts and interests. Take and review the career interest inventory on the PreACT. This allows you to see what your interests are and in turn will help you choose a major.
- Ask broad questions...Christian College vs. Secular, Large vs. Small College, Public vs. Private University, Selective/Ivy League?
- Continue listing your involvements on your student activity sheet This can include church activities, sports (school or community), theater, dance, music, work, caring for siblings, volunteer work, mission trips, family activities, or any kind of hobby. Include activities you do both in and out of school.

Winter:

- Grades are important! Do your very best. Please get help if necessary! See Mrs. Youngblood if you need extra help in a class.

Spring:

- Plan summer to include a job, ministry, trip or activity.

Summer:

Summer experiences are great college essay topics. For example, if you went on a trip, journal about it in the moment so you have material to pull from when it's time for writing those college admissions essays.

