

Junior Life After High School Timeline

September-December

- ☐ Talk to your guardians about post-secondary options (2 or 4 year college, military, trade, gap year, etc.)
- ☐ Attend a college & career fair
- ☐ Take the PSAT
- ☐ Visit with post-secondary representatives that come to school
- ☐ Keep your grades up- the higher the GPA the better
- ☐ Start researching your options for grants and scholarships
- ☐ If you are looking at college sports register with the NCAA clearinghouse

January, February, March

- ☐ Review graduation requirements when submitting course requests for your senior year
- ☐ Winter and Spring breaks are good times to visit schools if you are travelling

March, April, May

- ☐ Take the Free ACT at HHS
- ☐ Keep your grades up- the higher the GPA the better
- ☐ Take AP/IB exams
- ☐ Continue to research post-secondary options

June, July, August

- ☐ DO SOMETHING! Get a job, travel, go on adventures, volunteer, job shadow, intern, academic summer opportunities, go to summer camp, take classes, etc.
- ☐ Retake the ACT or SAT if you feel you need a higher score (recommended)
- ☐ Keep track of accomplishments and activities. Create a resume of jobs, extracurricular activities, travel, test scores and more from high school
- ☐ Make plans to visit colleges you are interested in over the summer. Make an appointment, get a tour, and talk to an admissions officer
- ☐ Start working on essays (review prompts from websites, CommonApp, Coalition)
- ☐ Review your ACT score (sent in mail). Create a profile to link your score. KEEP YOUR ACT SCORE, YOU WILL NEED IT SR YEAR
- ☐ Think about leadership opportunities for senior year

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Class of 2020 Remind

Sign up for Remind to receive helpful reminders about: college & career fair, post-secondary visits to HHS, scholarships, on-line class opportunities, important deadline reminders and more.

B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @d34afa to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @d34afa to (504) 636-6801.

* Standard text message rates apply.



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Free ACT for Juniors: April, 2nd 2019

All juniors will take the ACT for free on April 2nd. Students do not need to register for this exam; they will automatically be registered. As students complete their pre-registration information, we recommend that they choose colleges to have these initial scores sent to. After the test date, ACT will charge an additional fee to send Official Score reports to colleges. HHS cannot send official test scores. HHS does send unofficial test scores (that have been reported to HHS) with transcripts.

Test Scores

Make sure to keep track of all of your test scores and login information to ACT and College Board. PSAT, ACT, and SAT you will send email or paper instructions to create an account. Once you have created an account, you can review test scores, request official scores, and access numerous resources from both the College Board and ACT websites. There may be times during your senior year when you need test scores immediately. If you are requesting scores from HHS, you need to allow for a 48-hour return.