

10th Grade Planning Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- Your schedule should include courses that challenge you academically. Your course selection should include rigorous and interesting electives in addition to required classes.
- Reevaluate your high school progress. Make the changes necessary to improve your academic and activity record.
- Join fall school activities, including student government, athletic teams, clubs, plays, and service organizations. Take leadership positions when possible.
- Review graduation requirements, honor roll requirements, attendance policy, discipline code, athletic eligibility, available clubs, and organizations, etc.
- Organize your homework and activities on a daily basis.
- Encourage your parents to attend Back to School Night and meet your teachers and school counselor.
- Register to take the PSAT test as practice for the SATs.
- **Athletes: Sign an athletic code and provide the medical forms to participate in athletics. This is to be completed each year with seasonal updates.**

OCTOBER

- Volunteer for school and community activities.
- Prepare for the PSAT by studying their guide and taking practice test on NAVIANCE PrepMe PSAT.
- Take the PSAT test.
- Review your Progress Report for the first marking period and see your school counselor if you are having difficulty.
- Consider taking the Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) to begin focusing on a career direction. This three-hour aptitude assessment can be a very helpful career guidance tool that does not necessarily lead to a military career.

NOVEMBER

- Read books, newspapers, and magazines in addition to assigned homework.
- Review your Report Card. See your counselor if you need suggestions, tutoring, etc.
- Make an appointment with your counselor if you have not yet had a meeting this year. Request a copy of your transcript so you understand how your high school courses are recorded. Discuss your career and/or college plans with your counselor, and use the NAVIANCE program accessed through the NWR website to help with your planning.

DECEMBER

- Explore potential careers through reading, searches, interest inventories, and course selection. Join winter school activities, including athletic teams, clubs, and service organizations. Take leadership positions when possible.
- Review your Progress Report for the second marking period and see your counselor if you are having difficulty.

JANUARY

- Rededicate yourself after the winter vacation to achieve better grades. Evaluate your study habits and organization, making changes where necessary.
- Begin planning for course selection for your junior year.
- Read unassigned newspapers, magazines, and books to expand your knowledge and vocabulary.
- Prepare thoroughly for your mid-term examinations.
- **Athletes: Review the “Eligibility for College-Bound Student Athletes”.**
- **Athletes: Meet with your counselor to discuss college entrance requirements and to assure compliance with NJSIAA and NCAA eligibility. 30 credits are needed to be eligible.**

FEBRUARY

- Review your Report Card. See your counselor if you need suggestions, tutoring, etc.
- Review your planned junior courses with your parents and make final changes if necessary.

MARCH

- Join spring school activities, including athletic teams, clubs, and service organizations. Take leadership positions when possible.
- Review your tentative four-year high school course selection plan. Your schedule should include courses that challenge you academically and will expose you to a variety of career possibilities.
- Visit local college and career fairs to continue your college exploration. Consider visiting a small, medium, and large-sized school to get a feel for college exploration.
- Review your Progress Report for the third marking period and see your counselor if you are having difficulty.
- If planning to attend college, continue studying for the SATs. SAT scores will improve with practice. Take practice SAT tests on NAVIANCE PrepMe SAT.

APRIL

- Review your Report Card. See your counselor if you need suggestions, tutoring, etc.

MAY

- Take an interest inventory test to assist your career planning process. Visit NAVIANCE on the NWR website to aid in your exploration.
- Review your Progress Report for the fourth marking period and see your counselor if you are having difficulty.

JUNE

- Prepare thoroughly for your final examinations.
- Make plans for the summer.

SUMMER

- Begin your summer reading for English class.
- Read non-assigned books, etc.
- Be involved in summer activities including sports, work, hobbies, community, and volunteer services.
- Visit some local colleges if you think college is in your future. Begin to get a feel for different types of college campuses.
- Update your high school "Brag Sheet" (a list of school and community experiences and awards). Plan how you will add to it this summer and in 11th grade.
- Take practice PSAT tests on NAVIANCE PrepMe PSAT.