



10TH Grade Checklist

Your 10th grade year should be focused on the goal of graduating with your class. Concentrate on academics and start thinking about what comes after graduation.

- Make an appointment with your school counselor to go over your transcript.** Check for accuracy, make sure you are on the right track to meet your needs (Honors, AP, Technical Education, Career), and make sure you have the required number of credits.
- Get serious about researching careers and colleges.** Refer to your school website for resources on colleges and make a master list for each. During the summer, select schools to visit during breaks or find an internship. Look for summer pre-college enrichment opportunities in an area that interests you.
- Begin creating a high school portfolio.** Your portfolio should represent who you are through samples of your work, so be sure to include projects and accomplishments you are most proud of.
- Update your personal graduation plan.** Review your goals, and consider taking Interest Inventories or ASVAB to see if your interests have changed.
- Prepare for testing.** Take the PSAT on your campus if it is offered. Sign up for the SAT/ACT or take the practice SAT/ACT before your first attempt.
- Stay active in school** through clubs, organizations and/or sports, and try to assume leadership positions.
- Continue to volunteer in your community.** Make a goal to donate at least 32 hours of your time this year, by planning on eight each quarter. Consider food banks, church programs, soup kitchens or others that interest you.

FOCUS on the Goal™

