

# 10 WAYS FOR STUDENTS TO USE MAPMYGRAD

FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO HELP CREATE A PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE

This guide will walk you through the MapMyGrad site. At the end of step 10 you will have created a personalized graduation plan to be saved and used for future reference.

## 1) Create an account.

Creating an account with MapMyGrad means you can save graduation plans you create.

Step 1 – Go to [mapmygrad.org](http://mapmygrad.org).

Step 2 – Select Create an Account (or Sign In if you’ve already set up a Texas OnCourse account).

Don’t forget to record your username and password so you can remember for future use:

**Username:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Password:** \_\_\_\_\_

## 2) Find out what it takes to graduate in Texas.

Review the About menu, especially the items under The Basics. What’s one new piece of information you learned about graduation in Texas?

## 3) Learn about endorsements.

Read the endorsements page and click through all the endorsements. On the endorsements pages, you meet people in careers related to that endorsement. Who would you most like to meet in real life? What do they do that interests you?

## 4) Take the quiz.

By taking the MapMyGrad quiz, you can determine how your interests and abilities could help you decide which endorsement is a good fit. What do you think about your results? Do you want to take the quiz again?

## 5) Find your path.

In the Find Your Path menu, learn about the different jobs you can get and how they relate to each endorsement. Which one most appeals to you? Why?

## **6) Check out the roadmap to college.**

Not all careers require a four-year degree, but most well-paying jobs require some sort of education after high school. If the career you chose requires a bachelor's degree or higher, check out the roadmap. Which step seems the most fun? Which seems the hardest?

## **7) Read the frequently asked questions.**

Choose three questions from the FAQ page that you don't know the answer to. What three questions did you choose? Review the answers and summarize them.

## **8) Complete the Texas Grad Planner.**

Where do you want to go to high school? What courses should you take?

## **9) Print out your Grad Plan and review it with your parent/guardian and counselor/adviser.**

What questions do you have for each of them?

## **10) Keep a copy ready for your course registration for next year!**

Hold on to the printed copy of your graduation plan so that you're prepared to register for your desired courses in high school!