



# High School & Beyond Planning — News & Information

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10<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Getting Back on Track

If you are not finding success in school and finding it challenging to stay in school? **You have choices.**

Washington State is working to help open doors and create options for high school education.

Check out the resources on the **Everett Public Schools' [graduation website!](http://www.everettsd.org/graduation)** (<http://www.everettsd.org/graduation>) We want to see students succeed, and have programs and alternative routes set up to help complete the graduation requirements.

Reach out and start exploring your options!

### Programs to check out or ask about:

- Graduation Alliance Everett
- Online High School
- Sequoia High School
- High School Re-Engagement Programs
- Online Diploma Programs
- Career and Workforce Programs

Learn more about these options and others: [www.k12.wa.us/GATE/Re-engagement/](http://www.k12.wa.us/GATE/Re-engagement/)



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**What classes are you taking next year?**

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**What does it take to graduate?**

**Visit Everett Public Schools' [Graduation site](#) to explore the Graduation Toolkits!**



## Did You Know?

Most Washington State Community and Technical Colleges operate one or more high school programs such as High School Completion, Technical High School, Credit Retrieval, Youth Re-engagement, External Diploma Program or other high school options. The goal of each of these various programs is to award a high school diploma to students who complete the graduation requirements.

Find a [Community and Technical College](#) near you by clicking the link or logging into **Naviance!**

## Myth Buster

**MYTH:** I am not college material.

### REALITY:

Many students, especially **first-generation** or students who would be first in their family to go to college frequently sell themselves short. They think they won't fit into the best colleges in the country. Because of this myth, many amazing students **undermatch** or pick a college that isn't challenging enough for them.

Many first-gen students don't give themselves enough credit for their strengths. They might choose a lower-tier college because it's closer to home or because they are uncomfortable considering themselves highly selective college material.

By second-guessing their abilities, these students are risking a college experience that isn't engaging.

Studies show those who undermatch are much more likely to drop out of their college early. Choose a college that is appropriately challenging, and give yourself a chance for success.

Source: [College Greenlight](#)

## Student Checklist

- ☐ **Create/update your 4-year plan** using the **Course Planner** tool in Naviance to see how many credits you have and plan your future classes.  
[courses](#) > [manage my course plans](#) **MANAGE YOUR PLANS**
- ☐ **Check out Naviance Enrichment Programs** for summer opportunities!  
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- ☐ **Use SuperMatch** Naviance to explore college options and personalize your search!  
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## Family Checklist

- ☐ **Talk with your student about the importance of coursework and activities** for next year.
- ☐ Use the **Course Planner** tool in Naviance to plan the remaining years in high school.
- ☐ If you are unsure out planning courses or want to discuss post-secondary options, set up a meeting with the school counselor and/or Career and College Specialists.

 [Check Student Online Grades Here!](#)

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