



High School & Beyond Planning - News & Information

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11th GRADE STUDENTS

Narrowing Down Post High School Options

Now is the time to plan for the future and follow a more specific path. It's time to really explore the options available after high school to help you decide whether you want to pursue full-time employment, further education or training (such as an apprenticeship, a technical school, a two-year or four-year college), or begin a military career.

There are many tools in **Naviance** to help you explore your options and as juniors, it is time to think and plan ahead **BEFORE** your senior year!!!



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Check out the **COMPLETE two-page Junior Naviance Checklist** by logging in and clicking the link on the home page. It provides a timeline for this **spring, summer, and next fall** of senior tasks that you will need to be prepared for. By starting now, you can save yourself time and unneeded stress!

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Junior Prep for Senior Year

Some college applications open as early as Sept. 1, 2018! Don't wait until the first day of your senior year to start! Follow this checklist and get started today!

- Want summer internships/opportunities? *Check Enrichment Programs*
- Know your Naviance Login by **June 1, 2017**
- Add colleges or programs to your list by **September 1, 2017**
- Not sure? Take Cluster Finder Survey by **September 1, 2017**
- Complete the Brag Sheet Survey by **September 1, 2017**
- Create account at fafsa.ed.gov, FAFSA opens **October 1, 2017**
- Apply for qualifying scholarships starting **September 1, 2017**
- Request transcripts through Naviance *When you submit apps!*
- Request letters of recommendation *2-weeks in advance*

Sources: [Career Guidance WA](#) & [What Kids Can Do](#)

It's **SCHOLARSHIP** season!!

There are updates nearly every day!

Log into Naviance so you do not miss a due date!

Go to the **Colleges** Tab>**Scholarship List**

Did You Know?

Young adults with a bachelor's degree earned more than **twice as** much as those without a high school diploma or GED (\$46,900 vs. \$22,900) and **57%** more than young adult high school completers (\$46,900 vs. \$30,000).

Source: [The Condition of Education 2014 Report](#)

Myth Buster

MYTH: I can't possibly get a college scholarship because of the competition.

REALITY: There are a lot of contests and potential awards around, but students have to seek them out. There are millions upon millions of scholarship dollars available.

First, however, students have to determine what they do well. Scholarship contests aren't just for valedictorians, but for people with particular interests and talents. The opportunities are quite diverse.

As students search, they should be sure to look in their own community. Many of them don't require much more of each student than writing an essay or giving a speech.

Source: [Petersons](#)

Student Checklist

Check out scholarship opportunities in Naviance! There are scholarships available for 11th graders but you need to actually apply!

Go to:

[colleges](#)

> [scholarship list](#)

Explore your interest and research possible career pathways and what kind of education you'll need for each one.

Go to:

[careers](#)

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Think about ways you might be able to get hands-on experience in a field you like. Explore volunteer opportunities, sports, and more.

Family Checklist

Continue to help your teen explore careers and interests. Talk to your teen about the kinds of activities he or she is interested in – it doesn't have to be sports or an academically-related club.

Consider potential careers and try to find activities related to fields your student is interested in. Consider activities outside of school in your community in the summer.

Have Naviance Questions? naviance@everettsd.org



Visit readysetgrad.org to learn more and access resources to help your student make a plan.