



# High School & Beyond Planning — News & Information

October 2016

12<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Senior Year- Get Organized!

It is important to stay organized and creating a calendar to keep track of everything can be very helpful! This should include application deadlines and other important dates. This fall, to help seniors prepare for post-high school college, training programs, and financial aid.

Students should:

- ☐ **Meet with your guidance counselor** to talk about postsecondary plans or help you come up with a plan for after graduation
- ☐ **Review your transcript** to make sure you are on track to graduate on time. If not, your counselor can work with you.
- ☐ **Learn the application process** for each college or program you are interested in. Check out [\*\*Naviance Family Connection>Colleges I'm Thinking About or Colleges I'm Applying to\*\*](#) and get started on the applications now. Start writing application essays.
- ☐ **Update résumés with senior year activities** in [\*\*Naviance Family Connection\*\*](#) Your résumé will help with your applications.
- ☐ **Submit your letter of recommendation requests through Naviance asking teachers and your counselor for letters of recommendation.** Give them at least **TWO weeks**. It will help your teachers and counselors if you fill out the **brag sheet survey** in Naviance.
- ☐ **Be sure to write a thank you note** to each person who writes a letter of recommendation!
- ☐ **Take any needed required entrance exams** and make sure scores are sent to college.

Source: Career Guidance WA



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Check out **Naviance TestPrep!!**

-Self-directed practice course for **SAT & AP** exams

resources

• [Naviance Test Prep](#)



Oct. 18 @ Cascade HS

Oct. 19 @ Everett HS

Oct. 20 @ Jackson HS

Starting at 5:30pm!

**\*Click here to view the flyer with details!!\***

## Did You Know the FAFSA Opened October 1<sup>st</sup>!!?

### FAFSA Facts:

- Completing the FAFSA takes about 30 minutes and it is available in Spanish.
- Free assistance is available via email, by phone, and on the web: [www.studentaid.ed.gov/contact](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/contact)
- You do NOT have to pay to file the FAFSA. Beware of fraudulent websites that want you to pay them to file your FAFSA. It is always free!
- You must file the FAFSA for every year you attend school. For example, if you are currently a college freshman, you should complete the 2017-2018 FAFSA to receive aid for your sophomore year.
- File the **FAFSA** (<https://fafsa.ed.gov/>) if your child is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. Students who do not meet these eligibility requirements should file the **WASFA** ([www.readysatgrad.org/wasfa](http://www.readysatgrad.org/wasfa)).

Source: [Washington Student Achievement Council](#)