



Junior Year 'How am I going to get There?'

Eleventh grade proves to be a year in which many growth opportunities are presented to students. Students participate in standardized tests for the first time, fine tune their extracurricular activities, start building their list of potential colleges or other post-high school opportunities, begin part-time employment, and some even get their driver's license! Although all of the new and exciting opportunities multiply frequently, our counseling department focuses on ensuring juniors possess healthy coping skills and build on the question, "How am I going to get there?", understanding that we are living according to His will and what God has already proclaimed truth and purpose over our lives!

- **California Scholarship Federation Application** - Students who are interested in achieving the Life Membership Award, will need to continue to submit the California Scholarship Federation application each semester after taking a CSF eligible course. Please reach out to the California Scholarship Federation Coordinator.
- **National Testing Day (October)** - You will take the 10/13 PSAT/NMSQT, which will help further familiarize you with standardized tests and prepare you for future tests (e.g. SAT, ACT).
- **Junior Four-Year Planning Presentation (January)** - Eleventh grade students will hear a presentation covering graduation requirements and college-eligibility requirements, which will help them craft the outline of their graduation plan. This presentation will also cover developing healthy coping skills, while navigating their college/postsecondary plans.
- **Junior Four-Year Planning ZOOM for Parents (January)** - Eleventh grade parents are invited to attend our Zoom presentation covering four-year planning. The presentation will mirror the presentation students will hear during the life group. A Q&A session will follow the presentation.
- **Honor Society Applications (Due January 30th)** - Students who are interested in seeking acceptance into one or more Honor Societies must be Sophomores or Juniors with a minimum cumulative weighted academic GPA of 3.80 or higher. Additionally, students who apply must reflect the four central tenets of each Honor Society through documented evidence of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. Admission into each Honor Society is stringent and it is never too early to begin preparations for admission to the National Honor Society
- **Junior Conferences (January-February)** - Individual conferences with your counselor. Utilizing Naviance's College Supermatch, we will discuss the college application process, deadlines, how to build a list of reach schools, sure schools and safety schools. We will review your academic progress, your involvement in extracurricular activities, a tentative course load for your senior year, the resume you have been developing which you will be pulling from for the college application process, and more.
- **Brag Sheet (June)**- Juniors submit their Brag Sheet to their Counselor by June 1st so that their letters of recommendation can be written in a timely manner over the summer months.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3: 5-6