



Tenth Grade Timeline

Ongoing Throughout the Year

- Routinely check your Class of (x) Counseling Department Schoology Group page.
- Don't forget about your Smart Futures and Naviance accounts where you can find great links to career videos/websites, take career interest surveys, and more.
- Continue to explore future careers that match with your interests, skills, and strengths.
- Educate yourself on post-high school options (college/ technical school/ apprenticeship/ military, etc).
- Get involved! Explore your areas of interest, participate in school activities and/or volunteer efforts to develop skills such as time management, workplace, and leadership while enriching your high school experience. Remember, sustained involvement and demonstrated leadership in a few things you care about is better than light involvement in many things. Consider exploring activities related to your career/academic interests.

Fall

- Visit Class of (x) Counseling Department Schoology Group page and resources to view sophomore created content focused on post-secondary options.
- Take the October PSAT. These tests provide valuable feedback through the Student Score Reports you can then work on any academic weaknesses while there is still plenty of time to improve upon them.
- Are you considering being a college athlete? Learn more about student athlete requirements and the recruiting process by visiting the NCAA Eligibility Center Website.
- If applicable, register for AP Exams.

Winter

- Course Selection: Selection junior year courses that reflect your interests, post-high school goals, and emerging career plans. Once you identify some career areas that interest you, take a look at your high school curriculum to see what classes may help in your career decision-making.
- Challenge yourself with courses that are sufficiently challenging and maintain or increase your academic rigor each year.
- Consider Career Technical Education programs that can earn both high school and college credit and can provide career exploration opportunities.
- Attend Delaware County Technical School presentation about program opportunities.
- PSAT Score Release: Information regarding your PSAT Scores will be sent to the email address you provided during testing. Learn more about how you can interpret your scores and available resources.

Spring

- Sophomore's will take the Pre-Act to help you identify your strengths and weaknesses and determine which standardized test (SAT/ACT) is better for you (targeting Spring 2025).
- If you are interested in attending a military academy, such as West Point or Annapolis, now is the time to start planning and getting information. You should request a pre-candidate questionnaire.
- Along with your family, learn more about college costs and financial aid. Find out what financial aid is, where it comes from, and how you can apply for it. Have a discussion with your parents or guardian about what they think they can afford.



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Spring continued...

- Thinking about getting a summer job? Visit the main office for working paper information and guidelines.
- Attend the Sophomore Evening Program in March that will help you plan for the rest of high school and beyond.
- Take AP Exams if applicable.
- If you are interested in attending college, consider attending the Main Line College Fair at Villanova in May.
- Make meaningful plans for summer. Look for a job, enrichment program or volunteer position that will help you learn about a field of interest. Check out the postings in the Counseling Office for possible opportunities.

Summer

- Spend your summer mindfully- participate in volunteering, employment opportunities, or enrichment programs.
- Prepare for the SAT/ACT, if applicable.
- Check out some college campuses. There are many campuses within a short driving distance from Radnor. Even if you aren't sure if they are colleges you will ultimately want to attend, it is a useful exercise to get on campuses of different sizes, locations, and settings (urban, suburban, rural, etc). This will help you gain a deeper understanding of what you are seeking in a campus.
- Track your accomplishments- maintain a list of academic honors and extra-curricular involvement.
- Reset, recharge and enjoy your well-deserved break!

Quicklinks for Sophomores

- www.collegeboard.org-College Board
- www.actstudent.org- ACT
- www.careeronestop.org-Career Exploration
- roadtripnation.com-Career Exploration
- collegedata.com-College Exploration
- collegemajors101.com-College Majors
- www.pheaa.org – Financial Aid Information
- www.finaid.org – Financial Aid Information
- www.raise.me- Micro-Scholarships
- web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/ – College Athletes