

# your COLLEGE & CAREER roadmap

## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE



Get involved in extracurricular activities or community service opportunities

Sign up for advanced-level high school classes to include Advanced, Advanced Placement (AP), Dual Credit, and/or OnRamps courses

Make it a habit to use Skyward to check on your grades and attendance

Work with your counselors to develop your personal graduation plan and select your endorsement



Begin researching your program of study/pathway and AVID

Apply for the Bobby Bragen scholarship



Apply to your GPISD high school of choice

ENTERING HIGH SCHOOL CITY LIMITS

## 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Take the PreACT in October

## 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Make plans for enrichment activities, community service, and summer programs

Engage in test prep for TSIA2 and PreACT

## COLLEGE NIGHT

Attend GPISD College Night

Start building your high school resume and create a professional email

Build relationships with your teachers



Start working on industry-based certifications

Focus on your grades and attendance and understand your graduation requirements



Join sports, clubs or other student organizations

Meet with your counselor to create a CCMR plan

Make it a habit to use Skyward to check on your grades and attendance

Engage in test prep for ACT, SAT, TSIA 2, PSAT/NMSQT for junior year

Meet with your school counselor often and check your CCMR status



Explore and register for scholarship databases

Consider potential majors and build a college list

## COLLEGE NIGHT

Attend GPISD College Night

Visit colleges (virtual/in-person)

Create your NCAA account (student athletes)



Monitor your GPA (grade point average) and grades



Create your reach, target, and safety college list

NEXT INTERSECTION JUNIOR YEAR

## 11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Continue to prepare for PSAT/NMSQT & ACT

Sign up to take the Saturday ACT & SAT exams

Create/update your NCAA account (student athletes)



Go on college tours

Gather more information about college scholarships and financial aid at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)



Explore military options

Take the School Day ACT in March

Meet with your School Counselor often and check your CCMR status

Complete brag sheet and identify who will write your letters of recommendation

Check your eligibility for an ACT/SAT fee waiver for Saturday testing



Take PSAT/NMSQT in October

## COLLEGE NIGHT

Attend GPISD College Night

Review transcript and check rank

Finalize your reach, target, and safety college list

UP AHEAD GRADUATION

## 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Apply to your reach, target, and safety college schools

Create and check your college admission portals

Reach out to current and former teachers and counselors for letters of recommendation

Meet with your school counselor to ensure you've met CCMR requirements

Update your high school resume

Sign up to take the Saturday ACT & SAT again

GRADUATE!

Finalize your postsecondary plan for college, career or military!

Take ASVAB for your career in the military

Apply for local scholarships on [gpsid.org/scholarships](http://gpsid.org/scholarships)

Submit College applications and send your transcript to each college

CollegeBoard  
Fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and/or CSS (College Search Series) profile through College Board

COLLEGE NIGHT  
Attend GPISD College Night

Move forward with confidence towards your college, career, or military plans.

**Your journey starts now!**