

# College Prep

Applications, transcripts, scholarships—oh my! College prep means tracking deadlines, securing aid, and planning ahead for your next chapter.



1.

Explore colleges and careers. Research schools, visit campuses, and use tools like Virginia Wizard to plan your path.

2.

Know your requirements – what diploma are you pursuing? Review your ACP to make sure you're on track for your goals.

3.

Take key classes and tests – From the PSAT to AP and Dual Enrollment, the classes and tests you take now can open doors later.

4.

Build your portfolio by tracking grades, extracurriculars, activities, leadership roles, community service, and achievements to showcase your strengths.

5.

Make a financial plan – how will you pay for college? Start by searching and applying for scholarships, and prepare to complete the FAFSA (and CSS Profile, if required).