JUNIORS

WHAT YOU SHOULD BE DOING NOW

The following is a list of items to help you plan and prepare for your Senior year. It is not all-inclusive, and not everything applies to every student. You can always reach out and ask questions if you are unsure of something.

- ❏ Participate in clubs/activities, find opportunities to volunteer, and give back to the community
- ❏ Enroll in/Verify Enrollment in the A+ Program A+ Coordinator website
- ❏ Register for the ACT (if necessary) https://www.act.org/ - All Juniors have the opportunity to take a FREE ACT in April
- ❏ Explore ACT Prep courses
- ❏ Create a list of needs/wants in a college: consider things like the location, weather, cost, size of school, transportation, extracurricular activities, and so on. College Comparison Worksheet
- ❏ Log in to **SchooLinks** and begin exploring colleges and careers
- ❏ Sign up for College Representative Visits in the **Events** section of **SchooLinks**
- ❏ Attend college and career fairs and info sessions virtually or in person
  - ❏ Rockwood College Fair, April 20th at Queeny Park
- ❏ Begin planning campus visits during breaks from school and/or over the summer
- ❏ Start having conversations with your parents/guardians about paying for college
- ❏ Meet with your College & Career Counselor - email to schedule an appointment
  - ❏ Mrs. Torgoley (Students with last names beginning with A-K) torgoleylayla@rsdmo.org
  - ❏ Ms. Ake (Students with last names beginning with L-Z) akepaula@rsdmo.org
- ❏ Visit the College and Career Center Website for scholarship opportunities - there are some available for current JUNIORS!
- ❏ Create a personal email account that you will use for all college and career-related information - your Rockwood email account will go away after you graduate, and you will no longer be able to access it
- ❏ Create a list of activities: include extracurriculars, clubs, volunteer work, awards earned while in high school, etc.
- ❏ Apply for Summer Programs/Internships/Jobs - Opportunities are listed on our website, as well as college and university sites specifically
- ❏ Talk to teachers about possible letters of recommendation - not every application will require a recommendation, but have those discussions now - some teachers limit the number of letters they write each year
- ❏ Begin thinking about college essays

CHECK YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL OFTEN!!