9TH Grade College Planning

CHECKLIST

***MANDATORY* (Please enter these dates into your family calendar.)**

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✔	DATE	EVENT/TASK
	AUGUST 17	• ***High School Orientation**
	SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER	• Create a Cialfo account at DSA.Cialfo.co used for all college planning tasks 9-12. • Create X2vol account (used to track volunteer hours) • Get involved in clubs or sports
	NOVEMBER	• Work on Cialfo grade level tasks (profile, learning styles assessment) • Focus on developing your time management and organizational skills. • Focus on grades (colleges see grades earned starting in 9th grade). • **November 10th: Financial Aid Information Night for students and parents at 7:00pm**
	JANUARY 12	• ***Attend the parent-student college planning meeting at 7:00pm.**
	February	• Look into summer programs at various colleges. Go on Collegematchpoint.com under "summer programs."
	MARCH	• Schedule sophomore year courses
	APRIL 8	• **Spring College Fair from 6:30-8 pm**
	SUMMER	• Strive to complete at least 25% of community service requirement (update hours in X2vol) • Update extracurriculars in Cialfo • Visit colleges