



# Mat-Su Middle College School Senior Checklist



## Review High School Transcript and Credits

- ☐ Additional credits needed (APS, graduation, admissions requirements)? Meet with Ms. Piatt in early September for senior planning meeting.
- ☐ Check college/university of interest for admission requirements (i.e., do 8<sup>th</sup> grade credits count, foreign language or fine arts requirements, testing requirements, etc.)

## Explore Postsecondary Education & Career Options

- ☐ **Utilize College Board Big Future and AKCIS** for free online career interest inventories, college searches, scholarship searches, and more!

### Big Future:

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search>

**AKCIS:** [www.akcis.org](http://www.akcis.org)

--Username: **matsumc** Password: **4Student**

- ☐ **2026-2027 College & Career Fairs**  
--AK College & Career Fair: October 14, 10-3 @ Alaska Airlines Sports Center, Anchorage  
--MSBSD College & Career Fair: Oct 13, 10-3 Menard Center
- ☐ **Attend virtual or in-person college/military recruiter visits**
- ☐ **Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE):**  
Eligible students pay 150% of the receiving school's in state tuition cost, thereby saving significantly. WUE admission deadlines may fall earlier than non-WUE deadlines.  
[www.wiche.edu/sep/wue](http://www.wiche.edu/sep/wue)

## SAT & ACT Testing MSMCS School code: 020840

- ☐ **Recommended Timeline:** Once during spring of junior year and again in the fall of senior year.
- ☐ **ACT** - \$68-- Register online at: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- ☐ **SAT** - \$68 Register online at: [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
- Free School Day SAT at MSMCS:** Oct 23
- ☐ **Fee waivers** are available for those who qualify. Please see Ms. Piatt for more information.

*Free test-prep is available through College Board, Khan Academy and ACT.org.*

## Apply for Admission Note deadlines & requirements!

- ☐ **Determine application type** (ex: first time freshman) and **deadline** (ex: early vs regular decision). Consider if binding or non-binding!
- ☐ **Apply through Common App or college website?**
- ☐ **Request high school transcripts** through MSMCS website under the "I want to" dropdown menu. College transcripts are requested in UAOnline.

## Complete the FAFSA (students and parents)

- ☐ Application opens in October online at <https://studentaid.gov>
- ☐ Research college financial aid/scholarship deadlines! These vary by state and college.  
The earlier you apply, the more aid you may be eligible to receive; however, you cannot apply until the year before you plan to use the aid.

## Search and Apply for Scholarships

- ☐ Review options with the Admission/Financial Aid office at the college(s) to which you are applying.  
✓ Note scholarship application deadline
- ☐ Alaska Performance Scholarship  
[www.acpe.alaska.gov](http://www.acpe.alaska.gov)
- ☐ Collect and create these commonly needed items when applying for scholarships:  
✓ Resume or Activities List  
✓ Letters of Recommendation (min of 2)  
✓ Personal Statement  
✓ Statement of Financial Need  
✓ High School Transcript
- ☐ Online Scholarship Searches  
✓ [www.matsuk12.us/msm](http://www.matsuk12.us/msm) (Counseling)  
✓ <https://acpe.alaska.gov/PLANNING/AKCIS>  
✓ [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

## Explore College Sports

- ☐ **NCAA:** Register at [www.ncaaclearinghouse.net](http://www.ncaaclearinghouse.net)
- ☐ **NAIA:** Register at [www.playnaia.org](http://www.playnaia.org)

Students & parents are responsible for verification of course eligibility for college athletics!

### December or Early Graduates:

- ☐ Submit *Intent to Graduate Early* paperwork to Counselor or Registrar.

### All Graduates:

- ☐ Request letters of recommendation and official transcripts in advance.
- ☐ Verify diploma name with Registrar
- ☐ Order cap, gown & stole from Jostens
- ☐ Submit quote/photo to yearbook
- ☐ If you plan to participate in another high school's graduation, submit approval form by end of Quarter 3. Order appropriate regalia. You must also course share at least 2 classes spring semester at that school.
- ☐ Report scholarships and offers of admission to Ms. Piatt prior to graduation!

**Graduation: May 14**