

The Road to Success



Between homework, school activities and a job, it can be tough to keep up from one day to the next – much less plan out the next four years! But it's not as hard as you think. Map out a strategy for staying on top of things and by the time you're a senior, it'll be smooth sailing!

FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall

- Develop a plan for the classes you'll need to take over the next four years. Strive to take the most challenging courses available.
- Get involved in extracurricular activities (clubs, student government, etc.) or volunteer pursuits that interest you. Check with your guidance counselor to find out about what's available if you need suggestions.
- Build relationships with teachers, counselors and coaches who can help provide college recommendations.
- Get familiar with the standardized tests that you will need to take.

Spring

- Talk about college costs with your family now so that you can begin to make financial preparations.
- Schedule a meeting with your counselor to make sure coursework for your sophomore year is on track.
- Apply for summer internships, jobs or volunteer activities.