

Academic Reminders 11th to 12th



- Challenge yourself during senior year. A strong academic schedule is a priority in the college admissions process. Think content first! It will also make the transition to college an easier one. Stay determined to be focused all year (even in the third term)!!
- Academic resume- create a resume of academic awards, recognition, volunteer work, community service, church activities, athletic involvement & awards. This information will be needed when completing college and scholarship applications. It may also be used in the admissions process and in determining scholarship eligibility.
- College applications- to be completed in fall of senior year. Juniors, start your college search **now** so you are prepared to submit college applications in the fall.
- College visits - you are allowed two school related absences for college visits per year. The junior year is an ideal time to visit a college campus. See www.macrao.org for access to all Michigan college websites. Visitor information can typically be found in the admissions section.
- Undecided on a career direction? Try www.MyMajors.com
- Scholarships- **now** is the time to begin your search. A list of potential scholarships will also be available in the guidance office next fall. Try searching the following websites: www.scholarships.com, www.zinch.com or www.fastweb.com
- Take the ACT - you will take the ACT for free on March 6 as part of the Michigan Merit Exam. You must register on your own for all other test dates. Go to www.act.org or registration packets are available in the guidance office.

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	LATE FEE REQUIRED
December 10	November 4	November 5-18
February 11	January 13	January 14-20
April 14	March 9	March 10-23
June 9	May 4	May 5-18

- SAT- check school requirements, particularly if out of state. Visit www.collegeboard.com for dates and registration information.

"I learned that the only way you are going to get anywhere in life is to work hard at it. Whether you're a musician, a writer, an athlete or a businessman, there is no getting around it. If you do, you'll win--if you don't, you won't." -- Bruce Jenner, Olympic Gold Medalist, Decathlon