

11th Grade College Planning

- ✓ **Visit with college admissions representatives who come to FPD. Most visits are in the fall. Check the web, check email, Naviance and listen to the announcements.**
- ✓ **Go to the Macon Probe College Fair. It is usually in late September or early October. It is usually at Mercer or Macon State.**
- ✓ **Research College Websites....USE NAVIANCE!**
- ✓ **Look over your YouScience results with parents as you look at colleges and possible majors.**
- ✓ **Talk to your parents about what type of school you would like to attend. Try to narrow down by size, location, degrees offered, and cost.**
- ✓ **Use <https://www.gafutures.org/>. Create an account to help you with test preparation, college choices, career planning and financial aid information.**
- ✓ **Prepare to take the PSAT in the fall. The results will be used to help determine your National Merit status.**
- ✓ **Talk to current college students about their college experiences.**
- ✓ **Attend the National College Fair in Atlanta. It is usually held in February at the Georgia World Congress Center. More information can be found at www.nacacnet.org under Upcoming Events.**
- ✓ **Look for the parent meeting for rising seniors in early February.**
- ✓ **Try to visit colleges whenever you can. The best time may be over Christmas Holidays, Spring Holidays and the summer.**
- ✓ **Sign up to take the SAT this year. May be best to take one early spring and first of summer. We recommend taking 2 before your senior year. Also, sign up for an ACT.**
- ✓ **Study for AP exams in May.**
- ✓ **Summer before senior year: Visit colleges, look at the applications online (especially look at essays), find opportunities to volunteer, work on your resume, have fun, and get ready for a busy senior year.**
- ✓ **Set up a conference with Coach Thompson over the summer or early fall for you and your parents to discuss college options.**