

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 Middle Georgia Fair and the Macon Probe College Fair. One is usually in August/September and one is a little later. Check emails for more information!
- ✓ 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 Events tab.
- ✓ 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. Best time to see colleges with students is fall and spring.
- ✓ 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.