

SENIOR YEAR “TO DO” LIST:

Graduation will be here before you know it! There are many things you must do during your senior year. It’s much easier to divide your “must do” list by semester:

Semester 1:

- Take/Retake SAT/ACT if planning to attend a 4-year college or are a 21st Century Scholar in Sept, Oct and/or Nov.
- Apply for available scholarships including General Community Foundation Scholarships and Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship, if eligible (See September Deadline) at www.cfsouthernindiana.com. Majority are state and national at this time.
- Apply to college choices preferably by Nov 1.
- Request transcripts through Parchment for each college application completed (HS Counseling website).
- Note all application, financial aid, and scholarship deadlines for your college choices.
- Check credits. Make sure you are meeting all diploma requirements.
- Register with NCAA, NAIA, if necessary.
- Visit the CHS Student Services website under the Guidance tab. Research colleges, careers, scholarships, etc. during CCR, teacher assistant, lunch, before or after school, weekends. www.clarksvilleschools.org/chs-counseling-office/.
- Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) beginning October 1. Deadline is Apr 15. Note some college deadlines are Mar 1. Student AND parent must register for an FSA ID prior to completing the FAFSA. (www.fafsa.ed.gov).
- Attend College Fairs (Southern IN College Fair, NAHS), if needed (September).
- Attend College Goal Sunday for free help completing FAFSA @ Ivy Tech, Sellersburg campus (November). www.clarksvilleschools.org/financial-aid/ or www.collegegosunday.org
- Order senior supplies (November).
- Take a college visit or virtual college visit, if needed.

Semester 2:

- Apply for scholarships (The majority of local scholarships become available.)
- Meet college/scholarship/financial aid deadlines of chosen college.
- Attend College Goal Sunday for free help completing FAFSA, if not complete @ Ivy Tech, Sellersburg campus (February). www.clarksvilleschools.org/financial-aid/ or www.collegegosunday.org
- Complete online courses by May 1, if necessary.
- Visit the CHS Student Services website under the Guidance tab. Research colleges, careers, scholarships, etc. during CCR, teacher assistant, lunch, before or after school, weekends. <https://www.clarksvilleschools.org/chs-counseling-office/>.
- Complete 21st Century Scholar activities by June 1, if necessary.
- Request final transcripts through Parchment for final college choice (HS Counseling website, choose HOLD FOR Grades if requesting before May and SEND NOW if requesting after May).
- Request final dual credit transcripts through Ivy Tech, IU, and Vincennes, if applicable (June).

BOTTOM LINE: Make sure you are on track to graduate. Check your credits, diploma track, etc. It is your responsibility to meet requirements. The Guidance Office is here to help you meet the requirements. If you have not qualified for a Graduation Pathway, in order to receive a waiver, you must have attempted two separate items in the Postsecondary-Ready Competencies list of the Graduation Pathway, have no more than 36 unexcused absences, and a 2.0 GPA. Now is the time to work on this.