

## JUNIOR YEAR CHECKLIST

- 1. Continue to be academically diligent.**  
*The transcript showing courses and grades from 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade is what is sent with the college application during the first semester of the senior year. This is your opportunity to improve your GPA.*
- 2. Continue to work on test taking and academic skills to improve your PSAT/ACT Aspire taken in the fall & your SAT and/or ACT taken in the spring.**  
*Use your PSAT & Aspire results to work on academic skills.*
- 3. Be sure to update your activities resume with sophomore and summer activities.**  
*See the ELCA College Handbook if you need an example resume.*
- 4. Attend and make the most of college fairs.**  
*The Henry County Probe Fair and the NACCAP-National Christian College Fair are usually held in October. This is a great time to learn about specific colleges.*
- 5. Pay attention to increasing communication/information you will receive regarding college selections and applications.**  
*Make sure you have an appropriate email address.*
- 6. If you are a musician, thespian or visual artist, contact the colleges you are interested in and make sure you know the requirements and deadlines for portfolios and auditions.**  
*Portfolios and auditions may also lead to scholarships.*
- 7. Register to take the SAT I Reasoning Test in March, May, June and/or the ACT in February, April, or June.**  
*Register at ([collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org)) and ([actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org)) approximately 4 weeks before the actual test date.*
- 8. Begin developing a list of colleges that are of interest to you and make plans to visit as many colleges as is possible.**  
*School breaks are a good time to visit colleges; visit large, small, public and private to get a feel for what works for you.*
- 9. If you are considering military academies or ROTC scholarships, begin the application process in January.**  
*Pre-candidate questionnaires are available and Liaison officers are available to provide information and answer questions.*
- 10. If you are an athlete planning to continue playing a sport in a Division I or II school, register with the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA Eligibility Center).**  
*Register after your 6<sup>th</sup> semester of high school- [ncaaclearinghouse.net](http://ncaaclearinghouse.net)*