



# College Planning Checklist for Freshmen

Freshman year is the perfect time to build strong study habits, explore your God-given gifts, and take the first exciting steps on the journey that will prepare you for college and beyond.

- Select courses wisely—challenge yourself with the most rigorous classes you were recommended for.
- Commit to doing your best in every subject and activity.
- Join clubs and volunteer for activities that align with your interests.
- Participate regularly in community service opportunities and mission trips.
- Build strong, positive relationships with teachers, coaches, and counselors.
- Attend the Curriculum Night to learn more about the AP and DE classes available to you.
- Explore college options by visiting websites, talking with teachers, and connecting with recent graduates.
- Take the PSAT 8/9 and PreACT in the spring.
- Get familiar with Scoir, our College planning platform and begin researching colleges, careers and majors.
- Take the Career assessment in Scoir and build a list of careers and college majors that interests you to discuss with your counselor.
- Begin your résumé on Scoir by highlighting your academic achievements, special skills, community service, and talents.