

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS JUNIOR POST-HIGH SCHOOL PLANNING WORKSHEET

Name: _____

Counselor: _____

My Unweighted GPA: _____

My Weighted GPA: _____

As of today, my career choices would be:

1) _____ 2) _____

Uncertain/Undecided

Right now, I'm planning to complete (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> High School | <input type="checkbox"/> 1-2 Years of Community College |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trade/Technical School | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Years of Comm. College/Transfer to 4-Year School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Military Training | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Years of College (Bachelor's Degree) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Apprenticeship | <input type="checkbox"/> 5-6 Years of College (Master's Degree) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On-The-Job Training | <input type="checkbox"/> 7+ Years of College (Doctorate/Professional Degree) |

COLLEGE EXPLORATION CHECKLIST

	Yes	No	N/A
Take or will take ACT?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visit Colleges?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spoken to College/Military/Trade-Tech School Rep?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attended a College Fair?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Participated in a Career Trek?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

JUNIOR REMINDERS

UPCOMING EVENING EVENTS

- August, 2015 Kickoff to College Applications
- October, 2015 College Night
- December, 2015 Financial Aid Night

COLLEGE VISITATIONS

- 2 pre-arranged visits junior year / 2 pre-arranged visits senior year - excused absence.
- Parent must contact the Attendance Office three (3) days prior to visit.
- Student obtains pre-excused absence form from Attendance Office three (3) days prior to visit to obtain teachers' signature and homework assignments.

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COLLEGE READINESS BENCHMARKS SCORES FOR ACT

ACT College Readiness Benchmarks

College Course or Course Area	ACT Subject-Area Test	ACT Explore Benchmark Grade 8	ACT Explore Benchmark Grade 9	ACT Plan Benchmark	The ACT Test Benchmark	ACT Compass Benchmark*
English Composition	English	13	14	15	18	77
Social Sciences	Reading	16	17	18	22	89
College Algebra	Mathematics	17	18	19	22	52
Biology	Science	18	19	20	23	NA

*The ACT Compass English Benchmark refers to the ACT Compass Writing Skills Test. The ACT Compass Mathematics Benchmark refers to the ACT Compass Algebra Test. ACT Compass does not contain a science test.

COLLEGE ADMISSION ACT COMPOSITE SCORES - MIDDLE 50%

NIU 20 - 25	ISU 22 - 26	UIC 21 - 27
LOYOLA 24 - 29	U of I 26 - 31	NORTHWESTERN 31 - 34

COLLEGE SEARCH AND RESEARCH

www.careercruising.com
www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org

Based on your own research, list post-secondary options that might be a good “fit” for you:

Name of College/Trade School/Apprenticeship	Average GPA	Mean ACT	Application Due Dates