

My Senior To-Do List

*Going to Work

*Going to College

*Need to do for BOTH

August-September

- Complete and update your resume.
- Secure 3 letters of recommendations.
- Use an email address different from gips mail for work/college communications and scholarships.
- Clean up social media pages to present a professional image for those looking you up.
- Sign up for [ASVAB test](#) to be given Sept. 22, with your counselor.
- Register for ACT
 - www.actstudent.org
 - Test Center Code: 179890
 - School Code: 280-955
 - Deadlines: 2+ weeks prior to test date
 - 8/31 for 9/12, 9/19
 - 10/10, 10/24
- If you are playing sports in college
 - Send scores to NCAA or NAIA
 - Send scores directly to your prospective schools
- Attend College Fair
- Educationquest.org Scholarship Quest to begin searching for scholarships
- Request OFFICIAL transcript from registrar
 - A-L phulme@gips.org
 - M-Z jehoesche@gips.org
- Request transcripts from CCC, WSC as needed
- Schedule college visits
 - Do this when there is no school if possible

October

- Oct. 1 FAFSA application opens
 - Sign up for FSA ID
 - <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
 - <http://www.fafsa.gov>
- Revisit KUDER NEBRASKA on Clever to do skills & interest inventories to begin job search
- Attend SENIOR SUMMIT
- Financial aid workshop (both English & Spanish provided)
- Sign up for Financial Aid Meeting
- Individual FAFSA Appt. Times - set up if needed
- Begin Applying for Scholarships
- Consider volunteering - include on resume

November

- GIPS Scholarship essay writing workshop for senior students & parents

December

- CCC SM2 registration collection in West Conference room
- Midterm Graduation Rehearsal
- Midterm Graduation in the Auditorium

Frequently Asked Questions

Where can I find my ACT scores:

You need to go to ACT.org. They have your ACT information and I cannot access it..

What if I need an ACT waiver (free/reduced lunch)?

Your counselor has a waiver and can help you. All counselors have access to them so if I'm gone ask another counselor or office staff.

What if I need a transcript

Official transcripts need to be requested from Paula Hulme phulme@gips.org for last names beginning A-L and Julia hoesche jehoesche@gips.org for last names M-Z. Please give them at least 24 hours to respond.

What is this Senior Summit thing?

It is everything for all seniors. Whether you are going to work or school there will be help for all with graduation information, resume help, recommendation information, And college applications. You need to make plans now to attend.

How can I find scholarship information today?

The best way to locate the most up-to-date available scholarships is to find your desired college's website and look for scholarships.

Once you have finished this step go here [ScholarshipQuest](#) After you have completed this step, please read the announcements as there may be new scholarships available. Here is also a great resource for paying for college: www.gipsfoundation.org

Check out www.educationquest.org and set up a profile for Scholarship Quest. They will send you a list of vetted scholarships right for you.

I need help with the FAFSA form. Who can help me?

First, Attend a financial aid meeting, look for this in the announcements. Then, contact Jacquie at [308.234.6310 Ext. 303](tel:308.234.6310) to make an appointment, if needed. She will set up an appointment to meet with you and your parents. Be sure you have created an FSA ID before you meet. [Create an FSA ID](#)

Why should I take the ASVAB test?

There are many benefits to the ASVAB test. A Q&A sheet is attached [here](#). If you have additional questions, see your counselor.