

Tenth Grade Guidance



Checklist for guidance:

- Visit guidance counselor and continue planning a curriculum that will meet college entrance requirements and put you in the most challenging courses you can handle.
- Study hard! Tenth grade A's and D's DO count when you apply to college. Your transcript will be your resume.
- Take the PSAT 10 during the Fall Semester.
- Discuss your PSAT test results with your guidance counselor. Link test results to Khan Academy to practice and improve for the PSAT/NMSQT, which will be taken in the fall of junior year.
- If considering a U.S. Military Academy, request a precandidate questionnaire.
- Read for pleasure, however, read challenging material that can help build your vocabulary skills for the SAT & ACT.
- Join Clubs and activities in and outside of school to develop your interests, abilities and leadership skills. Continue to work on community service hours.
- Take the career/interest test at the following link: <https://openpsychometrics.org/tests/RIASEC/> . Email the link with your results to the guidance counselor.
- Spend some time researching colleges that offer programs with your interests. Consider touring college campuses during family vacations.
- Begin considering steps to pay for college. Check out the U.S. Department of Education's *Funding Your Education* booklet. <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/funding-your-education.pdf>

Graduation Requirements: 28 Credits

- 4 English credits
- 4 Math credits: must include Algebra I, Geometry I, Algebra II
- 3 Science credits: must include Biology I, Chemistry, and one equally rigorous science with labs
- 4 Social Science credits: Geography, World History, U.S. History, U.S. Government/Economics
- 1 Physical Education credit – HOPE
- 1 online class
- 1 Performing Arts or Practical Arts credit
- 8 Elective credits
- Bible classes do count for elective credits
- Community Service Hours