

## High School “To Do” List

### Freshman:

- Attend 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation-pick up class schedule and review campus planner (or get your own personal planner). Develop an understanding of a) graduation requirements, b) athletic eligibility requirements, c) college/career program requirements, d) testing.
- Learn study and time management skills.
- Become involved with extra curricular interests (clubs, athletics, student government).
- Be serious about your grades and courses: all will count for college
- Take AP exams if offered.
- Re-think, or re-check your four-year high school plan with your adults. Take college prep classes. Take courses that will enable you to meet prerequisites for additional courses.
- Talk with your counselor as needed.
- Start thinking about colleges you might be interested in.
- Write a letter introducing yourself and expressing an interest in a school and/or their sports program.
- Send the letter of interest and sports interest to 25 schools that you are interested in.
- If an athlete, during off-season, stay in shape. Attend camps given by college coaches who can help you with skills and advice.
- Stay focused on school and stay on track for meeting college goals and investigating careers.
- Make a list of awards, honors, paid or volunteer work, and extra-curricular activities you have participated in.