

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE PARENT PORTFOLIO

DOCUMENTS TO COLLECT:

Freshman: Student Schedule (high school office)
Sophomore: Unofficial transcript (high school office)
4-year academic plan (template included)
Past test results
2014-2015 Calendar
FAFSA 4Caster need determination
(<https://fafsa.ed.gov/FAFSA/app/f4cForm?execution=e1s1>)
GOAL sheet (included)
Testing plan (included)

THINGS TO DO:

Complete 4 year plan check with student
Goal setting exercise with student
Complete FAFSA 4 caster
Complete Net Price Calculator (go to financial aid webpage at any university)
Create a College Visit Calendar (give "open dates" for your student to schedule a college visit)
Create a file for all college material
Attend Columbus Suburban College Fair
Register with Naviance

DECISIONS TO MAKE:

Determine financial parameters for college
Expectations for student regarding their role in school-related meetings and conferences
Expectations for student regarding who organizes college visits
Expectations for student regarding who pays for college

MEETINGS TO ARRANGE:

Counselor meeting to discuss goals and academic plan
Parent/Teacher conferences

CONVERSATIONS TO HAVE:

Academic expectations (focus on behaviors—amount of study time, asking for help, homework completion, etc) *Try to avoid expecting a letter grade
Expectations regarding college mail (where it will be stored, reading it, etc.)
Financial parameters for college

THINGS TO WATCH OUT FOR/CHECK UP ON:

Periodic email communication from college counselor

EVENTS TO ATTEND/UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR:

Columbus Suburban College Fair (9/28: www.college-fair.org)
College Awareness Workshops: 1/28 6-9pm BHS

