

# 2020-2021

## Junior Year

### Student & Parent Checklist

During the junior year of high school, students are making many important decisions regarding their future plans. These decisions are equally important for students who are planning to go to college, join the military, attend a vocational school, or enter the work force. Many activities and tests are scheduled throughout the year. The following has been compiled so that you will be able to make plans to participate in the appropriate activities.

**PLEASE KEEP THIS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER

<b>EVENT/ACTIVITY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>
<b>JUNIOR MEETINGS</b>	November 18, 2020	Informational meetings using ZOOM for juniors regarding planning for college/future.
<b>JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT</b>	November 18, 2020 @ 6:00 PM	Virtual Meeting with ZOOM: Informational meeting for parents regarding college, timelines, standardized testing, and senior scheduling.
<b>JUNIOR EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING (EDP)</b>	TBD	Students will continue working in Xello by connecting careers to colleges and researching potential schools.
<b>EDUCATIONAL FUTURE PLANNING</b>	Throughout junior year students should be taking time to research colleges, scholarships and careers of interest. Sometimes these matters can get overlooked due to homework, clubs, jobs, sports, social media and TV. It would be best to schedule these activities into your week and make sure they get accomplished 😊  Please make an appointment with your counselor if you would like to discuss your plans.	Log on to Xello: Explore careers, colleges, vocational schools, scholarships, financial aid and much more. Take advantage of this resource!  Go to the Counseling Website and click on the Xello button. Log in with your RHS google email and password.  Other resources: <a href="http://www.cappex.com">www.cappex.com</a> <a href="http://www.petersons.com">www.petersons.com</a> <a href="http://www.princetonreview.com">www.princetonreview.com</a>
<b>SAT/ACT Prep</b>	Get free practice tests online, buy/borrow a practice book, or join a class. See the Counseling website or meet with your counselor for info on classes.	<a href="http://www.khanacademy.org/sat">www.khanacademy.org/sat</a> <a href="http://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a> <a href="http://www.number2.com">www.number2.com</a> <a href="http://www.4tests.com">www.4tests.com</a> <a href="http://www.act.org/workkeys/">www.act.org/workkeys/</a>

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<b>Senior Year Scheduling</b>	Process will take place throughout February-starting with Feb. 8th when students are given scheduling materials/instructions to get started.	If you haven't already put some thought into what your senior year will look like, now is a good time. Remember college prep schedule should have at least 4 hours of academics; selective colleges prefer 5 hours of academics. Don't forget to include any remaining graduation requirements.
<b>MME</b> (Michigan Merit Exam) <b>Testing – 2 days</b> <b>SAT/WORKKEYS/M-STEP</b>  <b>Participation is a graduation requirement!</b>	Students meet with counselors to prepare paper-work for MME April test  <u>April 13:</u> SAT (student will receive an official SAT score that can be used for college application)  <u>April 14:</u> WorkKeys® Tests Applied Mathematics, Reading for Information, and Locating Information.  <u>April 15:</u> M-STEP <b>Note: test takes place right after spring break</b>	Free test taken during the school day (mornings). Bring no. 2 pencils, calculator and ID each day of testing. Get a good night's rest and eat breakfast. ☺
<b>ACT National Testing</b> <b>(dates-not at RHS)</b>	Test dates: Dec. 12, 2020 Feb 6, 2021 April 17, 2021 June 12, 2021 July 17, 2021	Register online at <a href="http://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a> if you would like to take the ACT. Registration deadlines apply.
<b>SAT National Testing</b> <b>(dates-not at RHS)</b>	Test dates: Dec 5, 2020 Mar 13, 2021 May 8, 2021 June 5, 2021	Register online at <a href="http://www.collegeboard.org">www.collegeboard.org</a> to take additional SAT tests. Registration deadlines apply.
<b>Research summer plans:</b> Enrichment Programs, Classes, Volunteer and Jobs	Throughout semester 2	Get a head start on summer plans and get them locked in.  Save summer earnings for college!
<b>College Campus Visits</b>	Winter and spring break, summer and even fall of senior year--whenever you can squeeze it in—but be sure to do it!	Contact school to make an appointment and/or reserve a spot on a tour before heading out to the campus. Usually can sign up online on college webpage.
<b>NCAA clearinghouse</b> <b>(college athletes)</b>	Before junior year ends, please complete registration if you plan to play division 1 or 2 sports in college.  <b>NOTIFY YOUR COUNSELOR!</b>	College student athletes must register at NCAA Clearinghouse Eligibility Center <a href="http://www.eligibilitycenter.org">www.eligibilitycenter.org</a> . Students must also register with <a href="http://www.Parchment.com">www.Parchment.com</a> to send official transcripts to the NCAA at the end of their junior year and also send test scores.
<b>Letters of Recommendation</b>	May – June 2021	Create a plan for receiving a letter of rec. Ask your teacher before leaving for the summer if they are willing to write you a letter in the fall. Usually needs to be an academic teacher.
<b>-Create a Resume</b> <b>-Start drafting college app essays</b> (if your college require them)	June – August 2021	Use the Xello button on the counseling webpage to access the resume builder or create your own document to show colleges what you have done beyond course work. This will also be used to give to teachers that are writing letters of recommendation for you!

## SENIOR YEAR

<b>Begin to fill out college applications</b>	Summer/Fall, 2021	Students can get a head start filling out college applications on-line during the summer and making sure ACT/SAT scores are sent to colleges via the testing website.
<b>Attend Senior meeting</b>	First Friday after school starts in senior year	Seniors will meet with their counselor during school to review the college application process and learn how to send transcripts to colleges—transcripts will not be sent from RHS until after this meeting.
<b>SAT/ACT national retake dates</b>	Sept. & Oct. 2021	Seniors may want to re-take for admissions or scholarship purposes. Check testing websites.

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