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## JUNIOR YEAR

### FALL Semester

- You will retake the PSAT (Preliminary SAT & National Merit Scholarship Qualifying test) in October and discuss results during January conferences.
- Review college admission requirements & begin to evaluate college & career options.
- Take on leadership roles in extracurricular & community activities.
- Attend college fairs: In-State College Fairs & Out-of State College Fair in the Fall; Junior College Fair in the Spring; research schools, and visit colleges when on vacation.
- Visit with college representatives that visit MacLaren. Learn about college resources in the Counseling Corner.
- Continue working hard in all of your classes....your achievement during Junior year is your last opportunity to make a positive impression before transcripts are sent to colleges in the Fall.
- Research college testing requirements including deadlines, a Writing Test score and Subject Tests.

### SPRING Semester

- You will take the SAT in April as part of our Colorado State Assessments. Consider taking the ACT sometime in the Spring and if possible, compare your scores with the plan of retaking one of the tests by the end of your Junior year. Consider taking Subject tests in an academic area that is a strength, either in May or June. **MacLaren's CEEB code is 060-251**
- Start a list of colleges you may be interested in based on majors, location, size and tuition. Note application/financial aid requirements and deadlines.
- Meet with Mrs. Fruh for a Junior Conference during which we'll discuss your college search & scholarships. If you are interested in the military academies or ROTC, begin the application process.
- Become familiar with financial aid information; continue researching scholarship possibilities; talk as a family about paying for college. Include concerns about geographic locations and financial issues that may impact your college search.
- If you're potentially a college athlete and want to play at a Division I or II school or at a NAIA school, register at the NCAA Eligibility Center and/or the NAIA Eligibility Center; order transcripts to be sent to the appropriate agency to begin the initial eligibility clearance process.
- Register for the College Opportunity Fund
- Continue saving for college and researching scholarship opportunities including merit scholarships at colleges of interest.
- Make plans for an interesting summer, including stepping into leadership roles and developing independent living skills. Update your resume of activities & achievements.