

College & Career Vocabulary

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Vocabulary Word	Definition
ACT	A college entrance exam, standardized test that measure a student's skills in core areas: <u>English</u> , <u>Math</u> , <u>Reading</u> , <u>Science</u>
Advanced Opportunities	Can provide funding for students who want to take <u>advanced</u> course work while attending an Idaho Public school (<u>grades 7-12</u>)
Associate Degree	A degree for students that have completed <u>two</u> years of study at <u>Junior</u> college or <u>community</u> college
ASVAB	<u>Military</u> Entrance exam – Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery
Bachelor's Degree	A degree for students that have completed <u>4</u> years of study at college or University
College Application	Process by which individuals apply to gain <u>entry</u> into a college or university – see specific Universities/colleges for deadlines, etc.
College Major	A specific <u>subject</u> that students can <u>specialize</u> in while obtaining their college degree.
Community Service	Unpaid/ <u>volunteer</u> work for your community. A chance to develop leadership skills.
Dual Credit	High school student earning credit at <u>both</u> the High School and the college level
Extracurricular Activities	Can include <u>sports</u> , student government, community service, <u>employment</u> , hobbies, <u>educational clubs</u> , etc.
FAFSA	<u>Free</u> Application for Federal Student Aid - how students <u>access</u> grants, loans, work study.

Federal Grant	After completing the FAFSA – some students will qualify for grants, money to be used for college that does <u>not</u> need to be paid back.
Financial Aid	<u>Money</u> to help pay for college or career school
GPA	<u>Grade</u> Point Average
Letter of Recommendation	Written by someone who can recommend a student's work or <u>academic</u> performance (usually by someone who knows the student well)
Overload	A <u>High School</u> level course that is taken in excess of the regular school day – can utilize Advanced Opportunity Funds for this course
PSAT	<u>Preliminary</u> SAT
SAT	A standardized test of a student's <u>academic skills</u> used for admission to US Colleges.
Scholarship	A grant or <u>payment</u> made to support a student's education
Student Loan	A type of loan designed to help students <u>pay</u> for post-secondary education (two types)
Subsidized Loan	Student loans that do <u>NOT</u> accrue <u>interest</u> while you are in school
Transcript	An official document of a student's <u>permanent</u> academic record
Tuition	The <u>charge</u> or <u>fee</u> for the College/University
Undergraduate	This degree is usually your <u>first</u>
Unsubsidized Loan	Student loans that do accrue <u>interest</u> while you are in school
Work Study	Part of the FAFSA, a college program that allows a student to <u>work</u> part-time while attending school