

Talking to Your Counselor

9 10 11 for 9th, 10th and 11th graders

**NEXT
STEPS**
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Regular, one-on-one conversations with a mentor will make all the difference as you plan for life after high school. Consider these questions and jot down a few notes before you meet with your counselor. You'll show up prepared for your next step.

Have you researched which classes might help you get into the college you want to attend? Or which might be helpful to prepare you for the subject you might want to study?

Do you have a plan to fit all of the required classes into your schedule before graduation?

Do you have room for elective courses that might help you get into a good college or win scholarship awards, or do you have questions about what those might be?

Are you interested in taking advanced placement or dual enrollment classes to earn college credits while you're in high school?

Are you planning to take the SAT or the ACT, or both, for your college entrance exam score?

Have you checked out any of the materials that are available to help you prepare for standardized tests?

Do you understand the college applications process, or do you need help?

Do you know what your GPA needs to be to get into college?
Do you need help finding information about improving your GPA, or what options might be available if yours is a bit lower than you'd like?

Have you done much research about colleges you might like to attend?

Have you considered how you will pay for college?

What things, outside of getting good grades, have you been doing to make yourself a good applicant for colleges and scholarships?



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