



FRESHMAN PLANNING CALENDAR

2023-2024

Fall 2023

- Review PSAT materials for the upcoming test in October 2023.
- October 2023 - take the PSAT for practice. This test will be given during the day at TMA. The results will not be used for college admission.
- Save samples of your best work for your academic portfolio (all year).
- Take NCAA-approved courses if you want to play sports in college.
- Sign up, if you have not done so already, for co-curricular activities that interest you. The level of involvement and accomplishment is most important, not the number of activities.
- Keep a record of your co-curricular involvement, volunteer work, and employment (all year).
- Make sure you are "on top" of your academic work. If necessary, meet with your teacher for additional help.
- Receive PSAT testing results. Read materials sent with your score report.
- Consult your guidance counselor to explore ways to improve on future standardized tests and courses to discuss which may be required or beneficial for your post-high school plans.
- Create your SCOIR username and password and complete the interest inventory online.
- Sign up for college visits through SCOIR and attend at least 5 visits in the fall on the TMA campus.

Spring 2024

- Keep studying!
- Volunteer
- Submit community service hours to the Registrar.
- It is never too early to start researching colleges and universities. Visit the guidance office, search on SCOIR, or surf the Web and check out college and university home pages.
- Attend College Night in Spring of your 9th grade year (Spring 2024)
- See your guidance counselor for advice regarding your course selections.

Summer 2024

- Plan for wise use of your summer. Consider taking a summer course or participating in a special program (e.g., for prospective engineers or journalists or for those interested in theater or music) at a local college or community college.
- Volunteer within your community.
- Continue reading to increase your vocabulary.
- Practice PSAT tests to prepare for the October test as a 10th grader.
- Tour college campuses.
- Utilize Khan Academy to strengthen your knowledge in Math, Science and History.

**Some dates subject to change*