

Junior Year Checklist – 2nd Semester

- If college-bound, take the SAT(March @ AHS) and/or the ACT (June @ AHS)
- Use the BigFuture program from The College Board to find colleges that meet your criteria (see the list of resources for college / vocational school information)
- Arrange visits to colleges that are on your list of possibilities
- Finish your year in good standing as these are the last grades colleges usually see when you apply

Senior Year Checklist

September

- Review your schedule to make sure your classes will satisfy your diploma requirements
- Turn in your senior data form
- Create Parchment account
- Register for the SAT or ACT if you did not take it in the spring or you need to improve your scores
- Talk with college reps who visit AHS
- Attend the Parents of Seniors/Financial Aid Info Night with a parent
- Review college information online (see website list)
- Use the College Cost Estimator program (see website list) to check college costs
- Check out the scholarship list from the guidance office (updated frequently)
- Set up a fastweb.com account to search for scholarships (see website list)

October

- Complete college visitations
- Apply to in-state colleges by October 15th
- Attend the regional college fair at Trine University
- Order your transcript through Parchment to be sent to every college to which you've applied
- Register with the NCAA and/or NAIA clearinghouse if playing sports in college
- If required, order your SAT and/or ACT scores to be sent to your colleges from the testing agency (see your counselor)
- Place your cap and gown order
- Apply for a FSA ID (Federal Student Aid ID) so that you can electronically sign the FAFSA
- Submit the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) online. Completing this determines your eligibility for federal and Indiana financial aid.

November and December

- Continue above processes
- Once the FAFSA is filed, check SAR (Student Aid Report) for errors and needed corrections
- Take the ASVAB if you are interested in entering the armed services (see your counselor)
- Make sure to complete your Scholar Success activities verification if you are a 21st Century Scholar
- Make sure you've met college scholarship deadlines
- Check in the guidance office for apprenticeship information, if interested
- Finish all college applications by the end of the year

January and February

- Submit institutional financial aid forms at the college/vocational school you will attend
- Set up a job shadowing experience if you are still unsure of a post-secondary goal
- Fill out Seventh Semester Grad forms if you complete your coursework in January
- Continue reviewing and applying for scholarships
- Start putting together a resume if you will be job hunting after high school

March

- If you haven't already, submit the FAFSA by the March deadline
- Arrange placement testing with colleges, if necessary
- Pay and / or pick up cap and gown order from Herff Jones

April and May

- Start filling out job applications if working after high school
- Ask your counselor to send your final HS transcript to your college, if necessary
- Finalize plans for graduation

Web Resources:

Angola High School

- ahs.msdsteuben.k12.in.us High school website; link to guidance

College / vocational school information

- bigfuture.collegeboard.org College Board college search website
- in.gov/learnmoreindiana/ Learn More Indiana website
- triptocollege.org Trip To College college search website
- www.petersons.com Peterson's college search website
- www.in.gov/collegeweek/2471.htm Website with links to all Indiana colleges (applications, visits links, admission criteria, application deadline and fees)

Financial Aid

- www.fafsa.ed.gov FAFSA application website
- <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm> Website to create a Federal Student Aid ID number
- studentaid.ed.gov Federal student aid website
- www.in.gov/ssaci/ Indiana Commission of High Education website for state of Indiana financial aid
- www.indianacollegecosts.org/ College Cost Estimator

Scholarships

- www.fastweb.com Scholarship search
- www.scholarships.com Scholarship search
- www.steubenfoundation.org Steuben County Community Foundation website (local scholarships)

Testing Information

- actstudent.org ACT registration website
- sat.collegeboard/register SAT registration website

Sports Clearinghouses

- www.eligibilitycenter.org NCAA Clearinghouse website
- www.playnaia.org NAIA Clearinghouse website

Parchment (etranscript)

- www.parchment.com etranscript website to send transcripts electronically

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- www.twitter.com follow Angola High School's guidance department info @angolaguidance