Junior Year Roadmap

Junior Year – Fall

- □ Consider taking the ASVAB as a career inventory tool! See Mrs. McRae for more information
- □ Take the PSAT/NMSQT during the month of October. **REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 13th!**
 - Cost is \$18.00. Please sign up through the SSHS Webstore. Checks payable to SSHS.
 - STUDY by taking a ZAPS seminar (<u>www.zaps.com</u>) or through <u>www.khanacademy.org</u>.
- □ Attend the College Fair on Sunday, Nov. 5th, 2023, at Reno-Sparks Convention Center, 12-4pm

Junior Year - Winter

- NCAA: Students who want to play college sports should go to <u>www.eligibilitycenter.org</u> and complete the initial clearinghouse form. Send ACT/SAT scores directly using code 9999
- □ Analyze your PSAT scores with your counselor.
- □ Review Curriculum Guide to begin making course selections for senior year.
- □ Meet with counselor to go over transcript and graduation requirements.
- □ Note announcements/notices in the daily school announcements, on Infinite Campus, or through remind/Teams regarding College/Career information.
- □ Visit the SSHS Counseling Page at <u>Counseling / SSHS Counseling (washoeschools.net</u>) college planning/financial aid info.

Junior Year - Spring/Summer

- Take the ACT and/or SAT in April, May, or June. SSHS School Code is: 290-270
 - To sign-up for the SAT go to <u>www.collegeboard.org</u>
 - To sign-up for the ACT go to <u>www.actstudent.org</u>
 - STUDY through online resources (<u>www.zaps.com</u>, <u>www.khanacademy.org</u>, Edgenuity) or books you can purchase
- □ Send for view books, catalogs, applications, and search college websites.
- □ Login to your College Board account or create one if you have not already, so you can use **bigfuture**: a step-by-step college planning guide. Visit <u>www.bigfuture.org</u>
- □ Schedule a visit to a College Campus
 - Nevada Bound is a day-long program where you will tour UNR, learn about financial aid/scholarships/admission, Housing information, and more! Visit <u>Nevada Bound Campus</u> <u>Experience (unr.edu)</u> for more information and to sign up.
 - Check college websites for tour options
- Start searching for scholarships. Create a free search account at <u>www.fastweb.com</u> and/or see Mrs. McRae in the College & Career Center
- Develop a RESUME to use for letters of recommendation, job applications, scholarships, etc.
- □ Explore volunteer/internship opportunities.
- □ Not sure what career path you want to follow? Complete a Career Exploration Inventory at <u>https://wcsd.nv.headed2.com/</u> or <u>www.mynextmove.org</u>
- □ Attend the Career Fair at SSHS. Date: April 22, 2024

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PSAT/NMSQT Benefits for Juniors

Did you know that you should take the PSAT in 11th grade, even if you took the test previously? The PSAT has many benefits, including the opportunity to compete for scholarships.

- Eligible juniors will automatically be entered into scholarship and recognition competitions.
- These competitions include the prestigious National Merit Scholarship Program.
- Scholarships not only help you pay for college, but they help you stand apart from others in the college admission process.

Other benefits:

- Receive free information from colleges and scholarships organizations
- Access to MyCollegeQuickstart (an online college and career planning tool)
- Earn a higher score on the SAT. The PSAT is a preliminary SAT exam. Taking the test as a sophomore and a junior will help you score higher on the SAT.

The test will be online, during the month of October Cost is \$18

You may sign up through the SSHS web store (<u>www.washoeschools.net/sshs</u>) or in the main office with Mrs. Svare with check made to SSHS.