

Preparing for College

9 th Grade	
Classes & Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Choose classes that prepare you for college; choose challenging courses in your 4 year plan ➔ Establish positive relationships with teachers ➔ Meet and get to know your counselor
Resume Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Get involved at school and with community activities (sports, clubs, UIL, community service) ➔ Create a portfolio – create your own or use the Bridges program at school (community service, awards, clubs, memberships, report cards)
Career & College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Verify your college and career interests align with your four year plan ➔ Discuss college possibilities with parents ➔ Attend College 101 night for parent and students
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ At the end of the school year re-assess your 4 year plan to confirm your goals and interests align with your college and career plans

Checklist	
<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with my counselor	<input type="checkbox"/> Create a Portfolio
<input type="checkbox"/> Speak to my parents about college	<input type="checkbox"/> Create a folder for college and financial aid information