

Cornerstone Christian School

High School Planning Calendar: High School and Beyond

Grade 8

- Plan 9th grade course schedule in March; explore elective options
- Create initial High School and Beyond portfolio

Grade 9

- Start thinking about college and career possibilities
- Get involved in extracurricular activities such as STAMP or other leadership and volunteering opportunities
- Plan 10th grade course schedule in March; explore elective options
- Update High School and Beyond portfolio
 - List awards, honors, or achievements
 - Brief description of volunteer work and extracurricular involvement
 - Academic course load evaluation

Grade 10

- Get involved in extracurricular activities such as STAMP or other leadership or volunteering opportunities
- Take PSAT in mid-October
- Talk with college representatives who visit CCS
- Plan 11th grade course schedule in March; choose elective options based on post-secondary or vocational plans
- Update High School and Beyond portfolio
 - List awards, honors, or achievements
 - Brief description of volunteer work and extracurricular involvement
 - Academic course load evaluation

Grade 11

- Get involved in extracurricular activities such as STAMP or other leadership or volunteering opportunities
- Take PSAT (NMSQT) in October
- Talk with college representatives who visit CCS
- Attend College Fair hosted by Lynden Christian High School
- Take SAT or ACT in spring
- Plan 12th grade course schedule in March; choose elective options based on post-secondary or vocational plans; propose possible Senior Project area or specific plan

- Update High School and Beyond portfolio
 - List awards, honors, or achievements
 - Brief description of volunteer work and extracurricular involvement
 - Academic course load evaluation

Grade 12

- September: Get involved in extracurricular activities such as STAMP or other leadership or volunteering opportunities
- September: Formalize Senior Project
- October-February: Apply for FAFSA
- October: Attend College Fair hosted by Lynden Christian High School
- October-November: Take SAT or ACT in fall
- October-November: Talk with college representatives who visit CCS
 - Arrange for interview if possible
 - Narrow down list of colleges and decide where you will apply
 - Research college application essay requirements
- October-November: Consider college financing strategies and research scholarship opportunities
- November: Complete any applications necessary to meet December deadlines
- December: Complete any applications necessary to meet January deadlines
- January: Complete any applications necessary to meet February deadlines
- January-February: Apply for Whatcom Scholarships (WCC)
- March-April: Choose which college you will attend and notify all colleges to which you have applied of your decision
- April-May: Register at Whatcom Community College (as default college option) and take placement tests
- April-May: Present Senior Project
- June: Finalize High School and Beyond portfolio
- June: Graduation!