

# PLANNING CALENDAR FOR GRADE 11

## FALL

- Meet with your counselor.
- Continue with a rigorous and challenging course load that will prepare you for your post high school plans.
- Confirm that you are on your way to meeting all graduation requirements.
- Continue participation in school activities, volunteering and community service opportunities.
- Take the PSAT/NMSQT in October. You can register in the Counseling Office in September. Look for registration details in the Student Bulletin and in Advisory.
- Continue to utilize Naviance (<https://connection.naviance.com/haverfordshs>), a comprehensive post high school planning resource that you can use to identify your interests, research careers and colleges, organize personal data, maintain a list of prospective colleges and track the application process.
- To log in to Naviance:
  - Email (ID): first initial, last name, homeroom (example: jdoe2018w)
  - Password: student ID number (five digit number assigned by the school district)
- Continue to explore your post high school options by gathering information. Meet with your Counselor, use Naviance, look at websites, examine catalogs in the Counseling Office and talk to friends, family, teachers and recent graduates of Haverford to gather information on careers, majors and schools.
- Attend local college and career fairs.
- Check postings on Naviance to find out when college/career representatives will be visiting Haverford and attend their presentations.
- Create a personal email address that can be used for post high school planning. Your school district email should not be used.

## WINTER

- Sign up to take the SAT and/or ACT in the Spring.
  - For the SAT and SAT Subject Tests (if required by the schools you are applying to) register online at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Fee waivers are available for students who meet College Board's eligibility requirements.
  - For the ACT register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). Fee waivers are available for students who meet ACT eligibility requirements.

## **SPRING**

- If you are enrolled in Advanced Placement courses, register for the AP Exams that are given in May.
- Schedule another meeting with your counselor to discuss the results of your post high school research and to review your plan for senior year.
- Take the SAT, SAT Subject Tests (if required by the schools you are applying to) and/or the ACT.
- Start visiting schools that you are interested in. Get a feel for what works for you. Develop a list of 10-15 schools that interest you.
- If you are interested in playing sports in college, research the National College Athletic Association eligibility requirements. The NCAA requires completion of certain core courses. You can find the specifics at NCAA Eligibility Center Online ([www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)).
- If applicable, start to gather material for a portfolio (drama, music, art, sports, etc.).
- Explore summer opportunities and enrich yourself by volunteering, getting an interesting job or internship, or signing up for a summer learning program (a listing can be found on Naviance).

## **SUMMER**

- If you are an athlete planning on playing a sport in college, register with the NCAA Eligibility Center ([www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)).
- Find a part-time or full-time job, participate in a summer learning program (a listing can be found on Naviance), internship or volunteer.
- Visit schools, sign up for campus tours, schedule appointments with admission counselors and sit in on classes, if possible.
- If you will be requesting your Counselor to write a Letter of Recommendation or to complete a form, complete/update the following surveys on Naviance (log in and click About Me).
  - Student Evaluation
  - Activities Record
  - Parent Information Sheet, completed by your parent(s)/guardian(s).
- The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available for completion online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) on October 1<sup>st</sup>. To complete the FAFSA, you will need tax information from two years prior. For example, a high school senior planning to enroll in college in the fall of 2017 would file the FAFSA using tax data from 2015.

**HHS Website:** <http://haverford.k12.pa.us/hhs>, click Counseling Department.

**Naviance:** <https://connection.naviance.com/haverfordshs>