

SOPHOMORE CHECKLIST

Goals at Cypress:

- Review your four year plan, and make sure that you are on track to graduate.
- Talk to your Guidance Counselor regarding any graduation concerns.
- Verify that you are meeting the college requirements of the universities that interest you.
- Challenge yourself by choosing your 10th grade courses wisely. Take the highest levels of classes possible for you - the higher the rigor, the better. If you choose AP classes, be sure that you will be able to succeed in them academically (grade of A or B).
- Maintain the best grades you possibly can! Colleges look at grades from 9th-11th grade.
- Continue to develop good study and time management skills.
- Learn about Dual Enrollment options.

Build your resume for college:

- Join, or continue your participation in 2-3 clubs and stay with them throughout high school. Make some impact on the club, and contribute through leadership when possible.
- Continue earning your service learning hours (40 for graduation; 100 for Bright Futures; 250 for honors graduation cord).
- Volunteer with organizations that relate to your future career path.
- Consider working or volunteering over the summer break.
- Continue working on your resume by keeping track of your activities, volunteering, honors and awards.

Gather college information:

- Attend the Cypress Bay College Fair in the Spring.
- Attend college visits when the representatives visit Cypress Bay between September-November.
- Visit college campuses that interest you when traveling on vacation.
- If you haven't already, take the Choices Interest Inventory (www.facts.org) to research possible careers and educational requirements.
- Consider taking the ASVAB (Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery), another interest inventory exam, even for those that have no interest in the Armed Service.
- Take the PSAT in October - free for all 10th graders. It's good practice for the SAT!
- Look into summer ACT/SAT preparation classes.
- Make sure you and your parents are on BRACE's email list, and look for updates on the BRACE website, Facebook (Cypress Bay High School Brace) and Twitter (@cypressbaybrace).

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