## College Readiness Checklist

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10th Grade

#### Fall

- ☐ Practice makes perfect! Take the PSAT to get some practice and to familiarize yourself with the SAT.
- ☐ Check out the official ACT Prep Guide and begin studying and taking practice tests.
- ☐ Get involved with your extracurricular and volunteer activities. Be a leader both inside and outside of school.
- ☐ Visit the FloridaShines career pages to learn more about careers that interest you.

### **Spring**

- ☐ Begin your college search. Go to FloridaShines and check out the **Explore Institutions** section for detailed information about each of Florida's public colleges and universities.
- ☐ Consider taking the SAT or ACT. Ask your school's school counselor for more information about valuable prep tools.
- ☐ Assemble your resume. Even if you're not ready to get a job, learning how to write and present a resume is a skill that will come in handy throughout life. Visit the FloridaShines career pages to learn the ins and outs of writing a resume.

#### Summer

- ☐ Check with your school counselor to decide if summer classes are appropriate for you.
- ☐ Plan a challenging 11<sup>th</sup> grade course load. Be sure to contact one of your school counselors to discuss

  Dual Enrollment courses.
- ☐ Find a summer job! A steady summer job can offer valuable work experience, an opportunity to network, and will help you along your path to college and a successful career. Plus, it looks great on your college application!
- $\Box$  Find programs and camps to attend.

