

Post-Secondary and Career Expectations (PaCE)

Each student should have an individualized learning plan to help make decisions on postsecondary pathways, plan a course of study and make financial aid assessments with family members.

BY THE END OF 9TH GRADE

STUDENTS WILL....

- Attend Post-secondary workshops to discover and complete "Goal Setting", "Pathway Options" and "Understanding a Transcript" activities.
- Investigate early college readiness options and courses offered within high school.
- Understand the correlation between behavior, attendance, grades and reaching their postsecondary goals.
- Identify a career pathway or cluster of interest through surveys and research the required coursework.
- Develop a personal 4-year Academic Plan related to your career interests and begin to establish your pathway plan.
- Complete ten hours of community service that align to your post-secondary career interests.
- Explore post-secondary expenses and financial aid options.
- Explore ACE careers through Intro to ACE Careers I course at school.

BY THE END OF 10TH GRADE

STUDENTS WILL...

- Attend Post-secondary workshops to discover and complete "Post-secondary Education", "Resume Building" and "Planning your Career" activities.
- Visit a postsecondary pathway related to your career interests.
- Enroll in early college credit courses such as dual enrollment and dual credit (if applicable).
- Visit post-secondary institutions.
- Attend 1-2 career exploration experiences: lunch and learns, site visits, career fairs and/or guest presentations.
- Revisit and update 4-year Academic Plan related to your career interests.
- Complete community service.
- Explore post-secondary expenses and financial aid options.
- Explore ACE careers through Intro to ACE Careers II course at school.
- Select an ACE career focus elective.
- Explore ACE Mentors program.

BY THE END OF 11TH GRADE

STUDENTS WILL...

- Attend Post-secondary workshops in OneGoal course: "Mock Interviews", "Resume Creation", "College admission Requirements", and "What is FAFSA?".
- Visit post-secondary institutions and add your colleges of interest to your Naviance considering list.
- Attend a Junior College Planning Parent Meeting.
- Explore SAT Test preparation.
- Submit a fully completed SAT test on IL State Testing Day
- Meet with college admission representatives at school.
- Attend a college fair.
- Complete a personal statement.
- Determine readiness for college-level coursework in math and english.
- Complete community service.
- Attend 1-2 career exploration experiences: lunch and learns, site visits, career fairs, and guest presentations.
- Revisit and update career interests.
- Explore financial literacy through OneGoal
- Attend monthly Learning the Trades Workshop.

BY THE END OF 12TH GRADE

STUDENTS WILL...

- Attend Post-secondary workshops in OneGoal course: "Post-secondary Application Process", "Financial Aid Completion" and "Understanding your Award Letter".
- Complete at least 5 college applications.
- Determine your final Post-secondary pathway.
- Complete senior exit meeting.
- Complete community service.
- Complete the FAFSA and attend the FAFSA parent meeting.
- Investigate and complete at least 2 scholarships.
- Attend monthly Learning the Trades Workshop.

