PROJECT P.R.O.M.I.S.E



Postsecondary and **Career Expectations**

Each student should have an individualized learning plan to help make decisions about career and postsecondary (PS) education or training, to plan a course of study, and to make financial aid assessments with family members.

By the end of 9th grade

A student should be supported to:

- Learn about savings and investment
- Learn and complete mock W-2s and taxes
- Open a bank account
- Develop a budget
- Learn money management skills
- Learn how to write a check and balance a checkbook
- Utilize budget tracking resources
- Complete a career exploration
- Understand and create a general cover letter and resume
- Learn how to dress for success
- Learn about and develop public speaking skills
- Learn and apply for internships within desired field
- · Complete and understand a personality inventory
- Complete a mock job application
- Participate in mock interviews (individual, group, and panel)
- Learn about entrepreneurship
- Work with PS team
- Attend ACT/SAT preparation course
- Research types of colleges (private, public, 2-year, 4-year, etc.)
- Attend college and scholarship
- Attend college tours and visits
- Participate in 1-on-1 PS meeting with Project Promise Counselor

By the end of 10th grade

A student should be supported to:

- Develop a plan to pay for college
- Learn about the car buving process
- Learn about bill paving
- Visit potential employers
- Seek out volunteer opportunities within desired field
- Research professions and careers of interest
- Secure an internship
- Understand and utilize professional communication
- Attend a job/career fair
- Review transcripts to makes sure they are on track to graduate
- Complete a college fit/match inventory
- Attend college and scholarship fairs
- Attend college tours and visits
- Participate in 1-on-1 PS meeting with Project Promise Counselor

By the end of 11th grade

Learn about credit card usage and payments (APR, interest rates, best practices, etc.)

A student should be supported to:

- Learn what affects your credit
- Attend a financial literacy workshop
- Learn how to build credit
- Learn to protect themselves against identity theft
- Attend a financial aid workshop
- Analyze a credit report
- Learn about how a credit card can be important
- Attend a loan workshop
- Interview professionals who are working in desired field
- Understand and develop a career map
- Attend a career panel
- Explore average career salaries within a desired field
- Complete the SAT
- Secure letters of recommendation for college and scholarship applications (teachers, counselors, supervisor, etc.)
- · Research school with desired majors
- Create a personal statement
- Attend college and scholarship fairs
- Attend college tours and visits
- Participate in 1-on-1 PS meeting with Project Promise Counselor

A student should know:

 The deadlines for colleges/universities

By the end of 12th grade

A student should be supported to: Learn about home ownership

- Develop a plan to cover expenses
- Review and learn about promissory notes
- Create a LinkedIn profile
- Apply for and secure acceptance form at least 5 colleges/universities
- Complete the FAFSA
- Seek student services on campus
- Research and apply for at least 5 scholarships
- Show evidence of PS plan
- Understand their award letter(s)
- Understand and sign up for bridge programs, if applicable
- Speak to their regional admissions counselor
- Attend college and scholarship fairs
- Attend college tours and visits
- Participate in 1-on-1 PS meeting with Project Promise Counselor

A student should know:

• The difference between grants and student loans







