

# Post-Secondary Planning Checklist

## Freshman Year

- Meet with your RHS counselor at least once a year
- Set up your personal portfolio online at the “Missouri Connections” website (login information is available from your counselor if you did not set this up in middle school)
- Continue to take rigorous and challenging courses
- Keep your grades up!
- Join at least one academic club/organization
- Think about the reasons that you would attend college
- Continue or start a college savings plan
- Explore careers on the internet by visiting ACT’s free interactive World-of-Work map
- Visit with college representatives during lunch at RHS throughout the year
- Become familiar with college entrance requirements
- Think about and research the kind of training/education that different careers require
- Visit colleges and talk with college students
- Be ready with a list of questions to ask on your college visit
- Start a portfolio/folder where you keep your grade cards, lists of activities/organizations, and any volunteer work you have done in the community
- If possible, plan college visits during the summer months
- Attend a summer camp at a college to experience the campus atmosphere