

SENIOR CHECKLIST

SUMMER

- Arrange to have senior pictures taken. A picture must be submitted to yearbook staff by the end of November.
- Young men, upon turning 18, must register with the Selective Service (www.sss.gov). Failure to do so may result in future problems with financial aid.
- Plan visits to college campuses. Set up appointments through college admissions offices or websites. Special fall visitations may also be available. If you are unable to make a visit, go online to do research or request information on entrance requirements, application procedures, and financial aid. Virtual tours may also be available.
- Narrow your list of colleges to consider.
- Note deadlines for applications, special programs and housing.
- Arrange for work, leisure, and/or educational experiences outside of school that relate to your career goals.
- Select and plan to participate in extra-curricular activities.
- Prepare a resume for use in applying for scholarships and colleges.

FALL

- Meet with your counselor to complete a Graduation Application.
- Attend Plan Your Future at FNH and the career/college fair.
- Review and discuss career and educational options available (work force, apprenticeship programs, military, technical school, 2 year college, 4 year college) with counselor, career advisor and family. Start finalizing your plans.
- Submit senior picture to yearbook staff by the end of November.
- Scholarships are an ongoing process throughout the entire school year. Seniors should be checking the *Scholarship Update* at www.fargo.k12.nd.us/northcounseling, inquiring about scholarship possibilities through chosen colleges and using the FastWeb site at www.fastweb.com.
- At least two weeks prior to deadlines, visit with teachers, advisors, or counselors you would like to have write letters of recommendation for you. Provide them with necessary forms, resume and deadlines.
- Make plans to take/retake ACT, SAT, or SAT Subject Exams, if necessary. Use actstudent.org and collegboard.com to register. TestGear, a test preparation program, is available as part of the RUPrepareND.com program.
- Sign up in the counseling office to take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) in December.
- Make note of college application deadlines.
- Order your cap and gown by the deadline.
- Attend North High's Financial Aid Workshop during fall PT conferences.
- Register for May AP exams.

- The Career & Counseling Center and school library have a wealth of information regarding careers and schools that students and families are welcome to use. The career advisor is available everyday to help students explore career options.

WINTER

- Complete college applications and see that official transcripts have been sent through your eTranscripts account.
- Review any additional needs for ACT or SAT testing.
- Continue to check on scholarship opportunities.
- Touch bases with faculty that are writing your letters of recommendation.
- Watch for school and military representatives visiting North High School.
- Complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov. This is the first step in applying for financial aid. Complete any other financial aid forms required by your college. North Dakota deadline for FAFSA is March 15, but each state varies, so check colleges' websites.

SPRING

- Continue to review scholarship opportunities.
- Watch for college acceptances, review them and compare financial aid offers, then finalize plans. Send in required deposits and notify other colleges of your decision. Confirm housing and watch for orientation/registration dates.
- Graduation caps, gowns and announcements will arrive in the school store.
- Senior awards breakfast will be held in May.
- Arrange with registrar to have final transcript sent to the school you plan to attend in the fall.
- Graduation! Your immunization record will be included with your diploma.