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Junior Curriculum

2011-12

SESSION	TOPICS & ACTIVITIES	PORTFOLIO ITEMS
1 Welcome to the Program!	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get to Know Each Other• Introduction to the College Possible Program• Financial Literacy Survey• Introduce “Life in a Bag” Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information card• Completed Acceptance packet
2 Why College? What Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Life in a Bag” Activity• Charting Types of Schools & Degrees• Getting Ready for Campus Visits• Counselors• Team Building	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
3 Computer Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Life in a Bag” Activity• Set Up Email Account• Create Students’ Naviance Accounts• Career Interest Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
4 Why College? Which Ones	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “Life in a Bag” Activity• “Why Go to College?”• A Reality Check about College & Admission• Explore Schools via College Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
5 Campus Tours Part I - Shopping for College	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review Types of Schools and Degrees• Shopping for College• Introduction to Virtual Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Shopping for College</i> worksheet
6 Campus Tours Part II - Virtual Touring	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Virtual Tours - Create & Present• Prepare for Resumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
7 Bank Accounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dollar Works - Using a Bank Account• Discussion of money and college	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pledge to talk with parents about saving for college
8 Preparing for Resumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create a Profile: <i>All About Me!</i>• Course Selection & Federal Grants• Introduction to Resumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>All About Me!</i> worksheet
9 Creating a Resume	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review Sample Resumes• Create Resume	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resume

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10 Looking Ahead: College Applications & Making a Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate Common Applications • All About Me & Resume: How Does it Look? • College Application Timeline • Identify New Challenges • Make a Personal Timeline/Action Plan 	• Action Plan
11 Summer Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Do Summer Plans Matter? • College Possible Expectations • Research & Apply for Summer Activities 	• Action plan (updated)
12 Saving, Spending and Budgeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Terms • Dollar Works: Saving and Investing, Managing a Spending Plan 	• Spending Plan (Budget worksheet)
13 ACT Review: Order of Operations & Solving for a Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Order of Operations • Review Solving for a Variable 	• None
14 ACT Review: Fractions & Percentages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math Review - Fractions & Percentages • ACT Format & Content • Reviewing Scores • College Q & A: Revisited 	• None
15 ACT Review: Periods, Commas, Colons & Semicolons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Punctuation - Commas & Periods • Punctuation - Semicolons & Colons 	• None
16 ACT Review: Possessives, Summary Statements, & Science Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possessives - Apostrophe Use with Possessive Nouns • Possessives - Pronouns & Adjectives • Introduction to Reading Actively • Science Review - Reading 	• None
17 Essay Writing I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ACT Essay in Context • Taking a Stance • The Paraburger • Writing: Introductions 	• Writing sample (Baseline essay)
18 Essay Writing II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review: <i>Taking a Position</i> Meets <i>Back it Up</i> • Deconstructing Essay Prompts • From Prompt to Paraburger Outline • Introduction to Writing Practice • Practice Writing 	• Writing sample
19 ACT Review: Negative Numbers & Exponents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math Review - Negative Numbers • Math Review - Exponents & Radicals 	• None
20 ACT Review: Geometry - Angles, Lines & Triangles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geometry Review - Lines & Angles • Geometry Review - Triangles 	• None
21 ACT Registration	• Online ACT Registration	• Student ACT ticket

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22 Season Wrap Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Accomplishments • Overview of Next Season • Update Timelines & Action Plans • Writing “Thank You” Notes • Celebration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action plan (updated)
23 Celebrating the ACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Accomplishments • Reflection • Celebration • College Consortium Fair • Questions for the Fair: Review - <i>Person or Pamphlet</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACT reflection
24 Revisit Summer Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Do Summer Plans Matter? • Review Action Plans & Timelines • Research & Apply for Summer Activities • Update Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of application “gaps” • Action plan (updated)
25 Marketing Your College Self	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Resumes • Update Resume 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resume (updated)
26 Recommendation Letters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the Exit Process • Introduction to Letters of Recommendation • Review <i>All About Me!</i> • Collect Adjectives & Evidence for Letters of Recommendation • Write Letter of (Self) Recommendation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjectives & evidence list • Letter of Self Recommendation or <i>Letter of Recommendation</i> worksheet
27 College List & Special Circumstance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create List of Schools • Special Circumstance Letters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>College List: Quick Summary</i> worksheet • Draft Letter of Special Circumstance
28 Your Senior Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Senior Year • Student Panel • Update Progress on Summer Enrichment & Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
29 Financial Aid & Summer Budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Financial Aid • Review Budgeting • Make a Summer Budget 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Budget
30 Workshop Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finish Online Exploration of Schools • Update Timelines & Action Plans • Summer Enrichment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>College List: Quick Summary</i> • Action plan (updated) • Final Letter of Special Circumstance
31 Workshop - The Year-End Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the Exit Form • Review Summer Plans • Review Database Information • Finalize Portfolio Items • End-of Year Survey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>College List: Quick Summary</i> (or Top 5 list) • Final Letter of Special Circumstance • Junior Student Summary
32 Season Wrap Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Accomplishments • Overview of Next Season • Celebration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None