

# College Readiness Checklist

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## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Fall

- Practice makes perfect! Take the PSAT to get some practice and to familiarize yourself with the SAT.
- Check out the official ACT Prep Guide and begin studying and taking practice tests.
- Get involved with your extracurricular and volunteer activities. Be a leader both inside and outside of school.
- Visit the FloridaShines [career pages](#) to learn more about careers that interest you.

### Spring

- Begin your college search. Go to FloridaShines and check out the [Explore Institutions](#) section for detailed information about each of Florida's public colleges and universities.
- Consider taking the SAT or ACT. Ask your school's school counselor for more information about valuable prep tools.
- Assemble your resume. Even if you're not ready to get a job, learning how to write and present a resume is a skill that will come in handy throughout life. Visit the FloridaShines [career pages](#) to learn the ins and outs of writing a resume.

### Summer

- Check with your school counselor to decide if summer classes are appropriate for you.
- Plan a challenging 11<sup>th</sup> grade course load. Be sure to contact one of your school counselors to discuss Dual Enrollment courses.
- Find a summer job! A steady summer job can offer valuable work experience, an opportunity to network, and will help you along your path to college and a successful career. Plus, it looks great on your college application!
- Find programs and camps to attend.

