



11TH GRADE

GET ORGANIZED FOR YOUR FINAL YEAR.

- ☐ Some colleges (and scholarships) require one or more letters of recommendation. Decide which teachers might be willing to write letters of recommendation next year and ask for the letters now.
- ☐ Get a job over the summer to set aside money for college and gain valuable experience you can add to your resume.

RESEARCH POSSIBLE CAREERS.

- ☐ Job shadow at a business/organization that interests you. Check to see if you could do an internship, which provides you with great real-world experience.
- ☐ Talk to professionals currently working in your area of interest. Ask your school counselor or parents/guardians to help you find them.

LEARN ABOUT THE MANY WAYS TO PAY FOR COLLEGE.

- ☐ Learn about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and how it can help pay for college.
- ☐ Forecast how much financial aid you could qualify for by using studentaid.gov/aid-estimator.

KEEP APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS.

- ☐ See if your high school has a scholarship coordinator to help you find scholarships to apply for, but don't forget to also look in your community and search online. Arizona schools have counselors and/or college and career specialists to help with this process.
- ☐ Apply to at least three scholarships during your junior year.

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit collegereadyaz.com.

