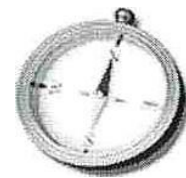


# The Counselor Compass



## Riverview Jr-Sr High School

School Counseling Department

### College Planning Checklist - Freshman Year

It's never too early to plan for the future!!

#### Fall:

- Enroll in challenging academic courses that develop critical thinking skills
- Study hard and get excellent grades
- Strengthen your vocabulary by increasing your reading
- Become involved in co-curricular activities, join clubs, sports, or organizations

#### Winter:

- Know the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) requirements if you want to play sports in college
- Research where you can do community service hours – 5 hours recommended
- Become familiar with Naviance Software
- Research careers based on survey results
- Develop a Resume
- Study hard for midterm exams and projects – do your best!

#### Spring:

- Stay organized and balance school work with your co-curricular activities
- Meet with your School Counselor for Academic Planning
- Research colleges
- Find out what high school courses to take for college admission
- End your Freshman year STRONG!
- Study for final exams – they count!

#### Summer:

- Complete summer assignments on time
- Continue to volunteer when possible
- Attend a summer program in an area that interests you
- Visit a few college campuses, local ones to start
- Save money!!!