

FRESHMAN YEAR

Plan for the Future

- Talk to your school counselor to make sure your high school course schedule is on a college prep track (CORE 40, Core 40 w/ Academic Honors, Core 40 w/ Technical Honors)
- Master the basics. Strengthen your reading, writing, vocabulary skills, typing skills and become familiar with the internet and different study sites.
- Take an interest inventory during your Preparing for Colleges and Careers class.
- Explore your interests through your classes. Take courses in a variety of subjects that interest you.

Get Involved

- Perform Community Service or get a part-time job. Extracurricular activities show that you're a well-rounded individual and you know how to manage your time.
- Research summer programs. Many colleges offer summer programs, camps or college visitation activities that will get you acquainted with the campus.

Go Above and Beyond

- Do your best in your classes. Remember class rank, GPA and testing scores play a major role in the college admission process and scholarship opportunities.

Get a Head Start

- Research schools, college entrance tests and financial aid.
- Take a "virtual" campus tour on the internet.
- Start saving for college
- Attend the Spring College Fair at NMHS in March