**My guidance counselor is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Contact Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_\_) -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**What date did/will you meet with your guidance counselor?**

Semester 1: Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Semester 2: Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**1st Quarter**

* Create a GPA goal to reach for each semester and review your 4 year final cumulative.

**12th Grade GPA Goal Semester 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 12th Grade GPA Goal Semester 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4 Year Cum Goal: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Remember your community service hours.

**Service hours earned to date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Stay involved in at least **one** school club this year. **What Club? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* What are your top three choices for college majors: 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Explore the scholarship application process. Look at the applications, essay/biographical requirements, average GPA, exam requirements, recommendation requirements, etc.
* Register for either the SAT or ACT

[sat.collegeboard.com/register/sat-dates](http://sat.collegeboard.com/register/sat-dates) [www.actstudent.org/regist/dates.html](http://www.actstudent.org/regist/dates.html)

**What dates will you take the test: SAT: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ACT: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Search for scholarships using *this website:* [*bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/scholarships-grants*](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/scholarships-grants)
* Don’t forget about: [www.actstudent.org/testprep/](http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/) & [sat.collegeboard.org/practice/](http://sat.collegeboard.org/practice/) for **free** practice questions, tips, study guides, and tests for the ACT and SAT.
* Complete the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). All students need to complete the **FAFSA**.

The application: [www.fafsa.ed.gov/](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/) *application opens October 1st*

* Gather tax forms and any other necessary documents before filing.
* Check your email daily for financial aid and scholarship deadlines and any additional information that may be required. Colleges often require additional documentation of income called a verification worksheet. Make sure you fill out any forms asked for in a timely manner. If you have any concerns or questions, contact the financial aid office at the college.

**2nd Quarter**

* After December 1st: apply for the **Florida Bright Futures Scholarship**. This application will also apply you to other local scholarships and must be completed before you graduate. [http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org](http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/)
* Look for a way to volunteer and earn service hours during the winter holiday.

 **Where: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Goal Hours: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Update your high school resume with awards/achievements, paid or volunteer work, extracurricular activities, classes taken, fluent language(s), and technical skills from 1st semester.

**3rd Quarter**

* Did you reach your 1st semester GPA goal? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Stay focused! Keep going, you’re almost there!

**4th Quarter**

* Are you on track to reach your 2nd semester GPA goal? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No
* Update your high school resume with awards/achievements, paid or volunteer work, extracurricular activities, classes taken, fluent language(s), and technical skills from your 12th grade school year.