

JUNIOR YEAR..STUFF TO KNOW

- You are required to complete/pass 24 credits to graduate from Tri-City High School. This includes fulfilling all Tri-City and Illinois State Board of Education graduation requirements (available on the Guidance page of our website).
- Juniors are given 1 college day during the school year. You must complete a college day visit form 2 days prior to your scheduled college visit. Forms are available in the Guidance Office.
- **Begin thinking and looking at colleges/universities.** You will apply to at least 3-4 colleges/programs by the application deadlines (usually in December) during your **SENIOR** year.

Visit *Career Cruising* to search for schools by location, programs of interest, or by certain criteria you are looking for (i.e. size, 2 yr or 4 yr school, etc.)

www.careercruising.com

Username: *tricity* **Password:** *careers*

- **Financial Aid Night** is scheduled for Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at the Riverton High School Fine Arts Auditorium. Listen and look for announcements beginning in early November. Encourage your parents/guardians to attend this **IMPORTANT** informational meeting. The presentation will cover federal and state financial aid, student loans, and the FAFSA application process.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE FAFSA VISIT: www.fafsa.ed.gov <http://studentaid.ed.gov>

- **Resumes** are an essential component when filling out applications and scholarships. Now is the time to start documenting your extra-curricular activities, honors/awards, work history, and volunteer experience.
- **Scholarships** will be available throughout the school year. You will begin applying for scholarships during your **SENIOR** year. A monthly *Scholarship Bulletin* is available on the Guidance page at www.tricityschools.org.

MORE WEBSITES TO SEARCH FOR SCHOLARSHIPS DURING YOUR SENIOR YEAR:

www.fastweb.com www.collegezone.com www.zinch.com www.nextstudent.com

- **OTHER WEBSITES TO VISIT:**

www.collegeboard.com

www.act.org

To re-take the ACT you must register on this website

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All Juniors will take the PSAT/ACT on Tuesday, April 24 and Wednesday, April 25, 2012.

Please be sure to be in attendance on these two days.

FREE online ACT preparation materials are available at <http://tricityschools.org/guidance.html>