

SENIOR SUGGESTION SHEET

Senior year is not a time to slack off...your grades and activities are part of your permanent record. Remember to continue to work hard and you will succeed well after leaving high school. Below are some IMPORTANT things to remember during your senior year:

- 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 graduation requirements (available on the Guidance page of our website).
- **Scholarships** will be available throughout the school year. A monthly *Scholarship Bulletin* will be available on the Guidance page at www.tricityschools.org.

MORE WEBSITES TO SEARCH FOR SCHOLARSHIPS:

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

- Seniors are given 2 college days during the school year. You must complete college day visit forms 2 days prior to your scheduled college visit. Forms are available in the Guidance Office.
- Apply to at least 3-4 colleges/programs by the application deadlines (usually in December). However, many colleges and universities have earlier filing deadlines; check school websites for information on deadlines.
- **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>

- **Letters of recommendation** are an important part of the college and scholarship process. When asking for a letter of recommendation, remember to give the person a few days to complete the letter. In addition, provide them with a list of your honors and activities and/or your resume.

➤ **OTHER WEBSITES TO VISIT:**

www.collegeboard.com

www.act.org

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

www.careercruising.com

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

Here you can search for schools by location, programs of interest, or by certain criteria you are looking for (for example: size, 2yr or 4yr school, etc.)

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Need your transcript sent? *Transcript Request Forms* are available in the Guidance Office. Please complete one of these forms if you need your transcript sent to a college or university.