

CHECKLIST TO STAY ON TRACK

Meet regularly with your school counselor and complete these activities to stay on track for high school graduation and to prepare for life after high school. For a complete list, download a grade-specific insert at www.learnmoreindiana.org/plan.

8th Grade

Activity	✓
Read <i>OnTrack</i> and completed its activities	
Downloaded and filled out the 8th grade insert* for my Graduation Plan	
Applied for the Twenty-first Century Scholars GEAR UP program by June 30	
Completed a career interest inventory* and then updated career plan (<i>see inside</i>)	
Visited DriveOfYourLife.org to explore careers	
Explored careers through career profiles*, job shadowing, etc.	
Learned about the requirements for Core 40, Core 40 with Academic Honors and Core 40 with Technical Honors	
Set a diploma goal (<i>see front</i>)	
Attended high school orientation program	
Created four-year course plan (<i>see inside</i>) and signed up for 9th grade classes	

9th Grade

Activity	✓
Read <i>OnTrack</i> and completed its activities	
Downloaded and filled out the 9th grade insert* for my Graduation Plan	
Reviewed four-year course plan (<i>see inside</i>) and made changes as needed	
Reviewed testing plan (<i>see inside</i>) and made changes as needed	
Finished Algebra I or signed up to take it in 10th grade	
Signed up for 10th grade classes	
Learned about the different options for college (two- and four-year degrees, certificates, apprenticeship programs, military)	
Completed a career interest inventory* and then updated career plan (<i>see inside</i>)	
Explored careers through career profiles*, job shadowing, etc.	

10th Grade

Activity	✓
Read <i>OnTrack</i> and completed its activities	
Downloaded and filled out the 10th grade insert* for my Graduation Plan	
Reviewed four-year course plan (<i>see inside</i>) and made changes as needed	
Reviewed testing plan (<i>see inside</i>) and made changes as needed	
Took the PSAT/NMSQT, PLAN or both in the fall and updated testing plan (<i>see inside</i>)	
Used PSAT/NMSQT results at www.collegeboard.com/quickstart to prepare for the SAT and to explore colleges and careers	
Discussed Advanced Placement and dual-credit courses with my school counselor and asked about the prerequisites that may need to be taken	
Met GQE requirement	
Signed up for 11th grade classes	
Completed a career interest inventory* and then updated career plan (<i>see inside</i>)	

* available at www.learnmoreindiana.org/plan

11th Grade

Activity	✓
Read <i>NEXT Indiana</i> and completed its activities	
Downloaded and filled out the 11th grade insert* for the Graduation Plan	
Reviewed four-year course plan (<i>see inside</i>) and made changes as needed	
Reviewed testing plan (<i>see inside</i>) and made changes as needed	
Took the PSAT/NMSQT, PLAN or both in the fall and updated testing plan (<i>see inside</i>)	
Took the SAT or ACT in the spring and updated testing plan (<i>see inside</i>)	
Signed up for 12th grade classes—including advanced math, Advanced Placement and dual-credit courses, and world languages	
Registered for Indiana e-Transcript (<i>see your high school's Web site</i>)	
Explored careers through career profiles*, job shadowing, etc.	
Visited at least three different colleges	

12th Grade

Activity	✓
Read <i>NEXT Indiana</i> and completed its activities	
Downloaded and filled out the 12th grade insert* for the Graduation Plan	
Retook, if necessary, the SAT or ACT in the fall	
Applied to at least three different colleges before Thanksgiving	
Visited final college choice before deciding to enroll there	
Filed the FAFSA by the receipt-date deadline to get the most money for college	
Graduated from high school	

Apply for Twenty-first Century Scholars by 8th grade

Income-eligible students that enroll in the Twenty-first Century Scholars program by the end of 8th grade get tuition scholarships to help pay for college. Plus, Scholars get to participate in college tours, conferences, summer camps and more.

Middle school students should submit enrollment forms for the Twenty-first Century Scholars GEAR UP program. Enrollment forms must be received by the end of 8th grade (June 30) and are available at www.scholars.in.gov.

Date application submitted: _____

Enrolled in the program (circle one)? Yes No

Update contact information when needed

When students in the Twenty-first Century Scholar program transfer schools or move, school counselors need to update the SEAS database.

Affirm in 12th grade

To receive their tuition scholarship, Scholars must submit an affirmation form in 12th grade. (This is in addition to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.) Affirmation forms are available at www.scholars.in.gov.

Date affirmation submitted: _____



SCHOOL USE:

Learn More Indiana has free information to help Indiana students and families succeed in school, complete college and connect to careers. Try it out: Call 1-800-992-2076 or visit www.learnmoreindiana.org today.

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GRADUATION PLAN Grades 8 to 12



This Graduation Plan will help you prepare for your future. Keep the plan updated by reading your grade's **OnTrack** or **NEXT** Student Success Guides each year and by working with your school counselor and parents. You can also get grade-specific inserts and other planning worksheets for your Graduation Plan at www.learnmoreindiana.org/plan.

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION

Name	Year of Graduation
Address	Phone
City, State, Zip	Parent/Guardian
E-mail	

GRADUATION PROMISE*

Student

I understand that education is key to my future and therefore commit to graduate from high school. I will also take the time to plan and prepare for life after high school by:

- being a responsible citizen and making good decisions;
- going to school and actively participating in my learning;
- studying hard and turning in my homework;
- pushing myself to complete Core 40 and considering going beyond it to complete an advanced diploma like Core 40 with Academic Honors or Core 40 with Technical Honors;
- exploring different careers and learning how college means lots of options: two- and four-year degrees, certificates, apprenticeship programs, and the military; and
- asking for help when I need it.

signature of student

date

Parent/Guardian

I/We will continue to help my/our student succeed in school and prepare for success after high school.

signature(s) of parent(s)/guardian(s) (optional)

date

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA PLAN

My diploma goal:	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIANA CORE40	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIANA CORE40 with Academic Honors	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIANA CORE40 with Technical Honors
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* The Graduation Promise may have been previously completed in 6th grade as part of an initial graduation plan.