



12TH GRADE

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Stay focused.

- Check in with your counselor about applying to colleges and scholarship opportunities.
- Ask for letters of recommendation. Connect with teachers and counselors early in the fall of your senior year and let them know you'd like a letter of recommendation.

Take math during your senior year.

- Be sure to take the right math for your future career. Use the flowchart on page 9–10 of this guide to help you figure out which math class is right for you.

Apply to college in the fall.

- Apply to colleges during the fall of your senior year. Participate in Utah College Application Week in November. Ask your counselors for more information.

*** If you're planning on serving a religious mission or joining the military, you should still complete your college applications and complete your college's FERPA form so your parents can communicate with the college on your behalf. Once you have been accepted to a college, you can defer your enrollment and most scholarships you have been offered until you return. Find out more information about the deferment process by visiting the admissions page on the college's website. ***

- If you want to improve your score, retake the ACT the fall of your senior year.

Fill out your FAFSA.

- Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as early as October at fafsa.gov.
- Get help completing your FAFSA by attending a FAFSA Completion Open House during the school year. Visit StepUpUtah.com/events to find dates.
- If you are an undocumented student check to see what options might be available for you at educate-utah.org.



Continue applying for scholarships.

- Apply for the Regents' Scholarship if you're pursuing it. Check deadlines at [RegentsScholarship.org](https://regentscholarship.org).
- Research what scholarships are offered by the colleges you've been accepted to.
- Look for scholarships and apply to at least three during your senior year.

Apply for StepUp Utah Scholars recognition.

- Apply for StepUp Utah Scholars Recognition at StepUpUtah.com/UtahScholars.

Narrow it down.

- Visit the websites or call any colleges you've been accepted to and ask about First Year Experience Programs and Summer Bridge Programs.
- Send in your final high school transcripts to your college once you graduate.
- Accept any financial aid you might have received. Talk with your college's financial aid office to make sure you're good to go.

Be proud. Celebrate!

- Participate in your school's Decision Day activities to celebrate your accomplishments. Ask your school counselor for more information.