

Take Stock in Children of Manatee County Student Planning Checklist 2016-2017

All Grades Guide

- Track your quarterly status with TSIC
 - 1st Quarter Ends: 10/13/2016
 - 2nd Quarter Ends: 12/21/2016
 - 3rd Quarter Ends: 03/16/2017
 - 4th Quarter Ends: 05/31/2017
- Create a GPA Goal to reach each semester:
 - 1st Semester GPA Goal _____
 - 2nd Semester GPA Goal _____
- Check FOCUS at least twice a week
- Start Planning for College. Visit these two websites and make a plan:
 - www.BigFuture.collegeboard.org Username: _____
Password: _____
 - www.Floridashines.org Username: _____
Password: _____
- Maintain a **Resume & Portfolio** to include:
 - Awards, achievements, paid or volunteer work, extracurricular activities, classes taken, languages and technical skills.
 - Be sure to highlight "Leadership" activities.
 - Standardized test scores and other college / scholarship information.
- Attend **College Fair** on Wednesday, September 21 at MTC Main Campus from 6:30 - 8 PM if a fall college fair is not offered at your school.
- Complete at least **25 Hours** community service each school year to qualify for Bright Futures.
 - Volunteer at Take Stock Fundraising Events:
 - 10k / 5k / Fun Run - March 5th, 2017
 - Tennis Festival - May 6th, 2017
 - Service Hours Earned this year: _____
- Attend **College Tours**:
 - UF - Monday, October 24th
 - USF - November (TBC)
 - FSU / FAMU - March 7th
- Register for courses in the 5 core subjects each year:
 - English, Math, Science, Social Science, Language
 - 8th - 11th Graders and their parents should plan to attend Take Stock's Course Selection Workshop on **February 25th, 2017 at 9AM.**
- Choose at least one school club to join. Find out what it takes to become a member and who you must speak with to join:
 - What Club: _____
 - Who to Talk To: _____
- Follow Take Stock Manatee and your College Success Coach on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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9th Grade Guide

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- Create a four year cumulative GPA Goal:
 - Weighted: _____
 - Unweighted: _____
- Start Preparing for the SAT / ACT. See if your school offers prep classes. Free preparation resources are available online:
 - www.collegeboard.org
 - www.actstudent.org
- Stay academically competitive; if you are able, take at least 2 Honors or AP courses in 10th grade:
 - Course 1: _____
 - Course 2: _____

10th Grade Guide

- Take the PSAT and PLAN. Students must sign up in advance. The PSAT is offered on **October 19th, 2016**. Save the score report for both tests in your **Portfolio**. Your PSAT results will populate www.khanacademy.org's SAT Prep with materials tailored to you.
- Complete Future Plans workshop through Take Stock Manatee
 - Date: _____ Location: _____
- Consider involvement in the leadership of one or more of the clubs you are involved with. Consider Student Government.
- Choose your **TOP FIVE Colleges** based on your major interest of study. What are the average GPA / Test Scores for these colleges?
 1. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 2. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 3. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 4. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 5. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
- Attend SAT / ACT Prep Course with Take Stock on **January 21, 2017**.
- Stay academically competitive; if you are able, take at least 2 Honors **AND** 1 AP course in 11th grade:
 - Course 1: _____
 - Course 2: _____
 - Course 3(AP): _____

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11th Grade Guide

- Keep up your leadership involvement in your club(s) and / or student government.
- Plan to take the PSAT on **October 19, 2016**. This will enable you to participate in the National Merit Scholarship Corporation Program AND update your Khan Academy SAT Prep program.
- Complete Future Plans workshop through Take Stock Manatee
 - Date: _____ Location: _____
- Choose your **TOP FIVE Colleges** based on your major interest of study. What are the average GPA / Test Scores for these colleges?
 1. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 2. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 3. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 4. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
 5. _____ Average GPA _____ Average SAT _____ Average ACT _____
- Begin looking for scholarship opportunities and cataloging them in their **Portfolio**. Visit your College and Career Advisor to find local opportunities.
- Register for the SAT & ACT - Take at least once in the Spring of Junior Year. Make sure you get your **Fee Waiver** before registering online. Make sure your TOP FIVE Colleges receive your scores.
- Attend SAT / ACT Prep Course with Take Stock on **January 21, 2017**.
- Register for at least 2 Honors and 2 AP courses in 12th Grade
- Complete the Common Application and Coalition Application over the summer.
 - <https://apply.commonapp.org/Login>
 - <http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/>
- Request Letters of Recommendation

12th Grade Guide

- Complete applications to State Universities by **October 1st, 2016**.
- Complete Mentor of the Year Application by **November 4th, 2016**.
- Attend all Senior Monday Workshops with Take Stock:
 - September 12th
 - October 10th
 - December 12th
 - January 9th
 - February 13th
 - March 13th
 - April 10th
- Register for SAT & ACT and retake by **December 2016**.
- Complete all College Applications by **December 1st, 2016**
- Apply for Bright Futures after **December 1st, 2016**
- Complete FAFSA by **December 31st, 2016**.
- Attend Leadership Prayer Breakfast at 7AM on **January 26th, 2017** at Bradenton Area Convention Center
- Attend Graduation Celebration on **April 13th, 2017**.