



Junior Curriculum 2009 - 2010

ADMISSION POSSIBLE

SESSION	TOPICS & ACTIVITIES	PORTFOLIO ITEMS
1 Welcome to the Program!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get to Know Each Other • Introduction to the Admission Possible Program • Financial Literacy Survey • Introduce “Life in a Bag” Activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information card • Acceptance packet
2 Computer Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Life in a Bag” Activity • Set Up Email Account • Create Students’ Naviance Accounts • Career Opportunities & Inventory 	• None
3 Why College? What Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Life in a Bag” Activity • Charting Types of Schools & Degrees • Getting Ready for Campus Visits • Guidance Counselors • Naviance “Do What You Are” Review 	• Written reflection
4 Why College? Which Ones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Life in a Bag” Activity • “Why Go to College?” • A Reality Check about College & Admission • Explore Schools via Naviance • Set Up College Accounts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of schools explored and any related notes • Preliminary list of colleges for ACT application
5 Bank Accounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Savings Accounts • Checking Accounts • Online Banking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledge to talk with parents about saving for college
6 Campus Tours Part I - Shopping for College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Types of Schools and Degrees • Shopping for College • Introduction to Virtual Tour 	• <i>Shopping for College</i> worksheet
7 Campus Tours Part II - Virtual Touring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflection on the ACT Baseline • Virtual Tours - Create & Present • Prepare for the Upcoming Sessions 	• None
8 Preparing for Resumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a Profile: <i>All About Me!</i> • Course Selection & Federal Grants • Introduction to Resumes 	• <i>All About Me!</i> worksheet
9 ACT Review: Order of Operations & Solving for a Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Order of Operations • Review Solving for a Variable 	• None

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10 Creating a Resume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Sample Resumes • Create Resume 	• Resume
11 The ACT: Baseline Reflection & Review - Fractions & Percentages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math Review - Fractions & Percentages • Reflection on the ACT Baseline • ACT Format & Content • Reviewing Scores • College Q & A 	• None
12 Saving, Spending and Budgeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How Money Works • Spending Wisely • Make a Budget 	• Budget worksheet
13 ACT Review: Periods, Commas, Colons & Semicolons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Punctuation - Commas & Periods • Punctuation - Semicolons & Colons 	• None
14 Looking Ahead: College Applications & Making a Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate Common Applications • All About Me & Resume: How Does it Look? • College Application Timeline • Identify New Challenges • Make a Personal Timeline/Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All About Me</i> • Action Plan
15 Essay Writing I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ACT Essay in Context • Taking a Stance • The Paraburger • Writing: Introductions 	• Writing sample
16 Summer Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Do Summer Plans Matter? • Admission Possible Expectations • Research & Apply for Summer Activities 	• Action plan (updated)
17 ACT Review: Negative Numbers & Exponents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Math Review - Negative Numbers • Math Review - Exponents & Radicals 	• None
18 ACT Review: Possessives, Summary Statements, & Data Representations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possessives - Apostrophe Use with Possessive Nouns • Possessives - Pronouns & Adjectives • Introduction to Reading Actively • Science Review - Data Representation Review 	• None
19 Essay Writing II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review: <i>Taking a Position</i> Meets <i>Back it Up</i> • Deconstructing Essay Prompts • From Prompt to Paraburger Outline • Introduction to Writing Practice • Practice Writing 	• Writing sample
20 ACT Review: Geometry - Angles, Lines & Triangles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geometry Review - Lines & Angles • Geometry Review - Triangles 	• None
21 ACT Registration	• Online ACT Registration	• Student ACT tickets

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22 Season Wrap Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Accomplishments • Overview of Next Season • Update Timelines & Action Plans • Writing “Thank You” Notes • Celebration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action plan (updated)
23 Celebrating the ACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Accomplishments • Reflection • Celebration • College Consortium Fair • Questions for the Fair: Review - <i>Person or Pamphlet</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACT reflection
24 Revisit Summer Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Do Summer Plans Matter? • Review Action Plans & Timelines • Research & Apply for Summer Activities • Update Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>College Bound Student Timeline</i> (updated) • List of application “gaps” • Action plan (updated)
25 Recommendation Letters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the Exit Process • Introduction to Letters of Recommendation • Review <i>All About Me!</i> • Collect Adjectives & Evidence for Letters of Recommendation • Write Letter of (Self) Recommendation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All About Me!</i> worksheet (updated) • Adjectives & evidence list • Letter of (self) recommendation
26 Marketing Your College Self	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Resumes • Update Resume 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resume
27 Your Senior Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Senior Year • Student Panel • Update Progress on Summer Enrichment & Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
28 Financial Aid and Summer Budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic Financial Aid • Review Budgeting • Make a Summer Budget 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Budget
29 College List & Special Circumstance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create List of Schools • Special Circumstance Letters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>College List: Quick Summary</i> worksheet • Beginning of Special Circumstance Letter
30 Workshop Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finish Online Exploration of Schools • Update Timelines & Action Plans • Summer Enrichment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>College List: Quick Summary</i> worksheet • <i>College Bound Student Timeline</i> worksheet (updated) • Action plan (updated) • Final draft of special circumstance letter
31 Essay Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss “Why Essays”? • Essay Review Panel • Write the Common Application Essay 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essay topic list • Draft essay
32 Workshop - The Exit Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the Exit Form • Review Summer Plans • Review Database Information • Finalize Portfolio Items • End-of Year Survey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review portfolio for completed items • Collect exit items
33 Season Wrap Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Accomplishments • Overview of Next Season • Celebration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None