



# Welcome to Senior Year!

## Semester One Checklist

- Discuss credit check with counselor.
- Complete testing requirements.
- Complete online courses.
- Request transcript via Naviance (PVHS website) to check for accuracy.
- Apply to universities and colleges.
- Apply for financial aid
- Request nomination from Counselors for specific scholarships/militaryAcademies

### Financial Aid

- Federal Aid – FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid); [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov); opens October 1<sup>st</sup>
- State Florida Aid – Bright Futures; [www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org](http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org); opens October 1<sup>st</sup>
- Institutional Aid – Apply via the college/university you will attend.
- Private Aid – free money from organizations interested in helping students; scholarship opportunities are on the Guidance page of the PVHS website, check your (or your parent’s) place of employment; corporations, local businesses, special interest groups, national, state and local organizations, [fastweb.com](http://fastweb.com), [finaid.org](http://finaid.org), [collegenet.com](http://collegenet.com), [bigfuture.collegeboard.org](http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org)

### Bright Futures

- You must APPLY for Bright Futures by submitting the Florida Financial Aid Application.
- Read over the Bright Futures Student Handbook.
- Know the requirements for the Florida Academic Scholar and the Florida Medallion Scholar.
- Bright Futures GPA is NOT the same as the transcript GPA. Honors, AP and Dual Enrollment classes are weighed equally with 0.5 per credit (not 1.0 for AP or DE). Two academic electives will be accepted toward the GPA if it benefits the student.

## Semester Two Checklist

- Check transcript for accuracy.
- Complete any missing graduation requirements.
- Check your Bright Futures Eligibility; update with accurate institution information.
- Apply to state colleges.
- Apply for scholarships.
- Through Naviance, request a final transcript be sent to your post-secondary institution.
- GRADUATE !**

