**[10th Grade To Do List](http://sites.esu7.org/bcsguidance/?page_id=45" \o "Permanent Link to 10th Grade To Do List)**

* Take the Pre-ACT test at Cedar Catholic in the fall, normally in September or October. This is a valuable test to help you prepare for the ACT which you should begin taking during your junior year.
* Review Pre-ACT test results with your parents and school counselor.
* Keep copies of you report cards and your transcripts.
* Keep a file or list of awards and honors you have received.
* Keep a list of school and community activities in which you are involved, including both paid and volunteer work, and descriptions of what you did.
* Think about selecting a college and finding out about the different types. Decide which characteristics are most important to you, such as the size of the school, distance from home, cost, and extracurricular activities.
* Review the high school courses you need to take to meet the requirements of the colleges you are interested in attending.
* Explore different careers – take advantage of job shadow opportunities.
* Take high school classes that challenge you and that will best prepare you for college.
* Establish your high school schedule to make you eligible for college:
* 4 years of English
* 3-4 years of Math (from Alg. I, Geometry, Alg. II, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, or Calculus)
* At least 2 years of Foreign Language (for some 4 year colleges)
* 3-4 years of Natural Science
* 3 years of History/Social Studies
* Continue extracurricular activities, as scholarship committees look at students’ extracurricular activities when considering them for scholarships.
* Talk to your school counselor with any questions you might have about college or career opportunities.
* Always do your best!!