JUNIOR CHECKLIST

<u>September – October – November (continue all year)</u>

- ✓ Keep your grades up!! Your cumulative GPA at the end of your junior year is what colleges look at.
- ✓ Colleges are looking for the following:
 - Challenging coursework
 - Strong grade point average (GPA)
 - Involvement in extracurricular school and community activities
 - Volunteer!! It looks great on your college application and your resume.
 - What else are you doing to set yourself apart to earn scholarship money?
- ✓ Research careers that interest you.
- ✓ Go on a job shadow.
- ✓ Attend college fairs to research colleges that interest you.
- ✓ Meet with college admission counselors that come to PCHS.
- ✓ Begin preparing for the SAT which will be given in April.
- ✓ Start planning out what classes you will take in your Senior year.

<u>December – January – February</u>

- ✓ Go on college visits to schools that interest you. (Take your parents with you!!)
- ✓ If you are interested in KCTC, go on a program visit.
- ✓ Start researching colleges that interest you.

March - April

- ✓ Take the SAT which is part of the MME (Michigan Merit Exam)
- ✓ Consider taking the ACT.
- ✓ Start putting together a list of colleges that you are interested in.

May - June

- ✓ Seek out job opportunities for the summer.
- ✓ Make time to volunteer.
- ✓ Enjoy your summer break!!