

## Grade 10 - How to Support Your Child's Education

- Encourage your child to take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT) offered in October at no cost to on-target sophomores
- Encourage your child to consider applying for Hugh O'Brien Summer Leadership Program
- Help your child prepare for the math and reading sections of the Proficiency Exam; check out <http://www.supermathtutor.com/> for practice math exams
- Begin researching post-secondary schools with your child
- Review PSAT results with your child to determine areas of improvement
- Make sure your child attends school in the spring the day the Math/Reading sections of the Proficiency Exam is administered
- Encourage your child to take Advanced Placement (AP) courses in the junior year
- Discuss with your child the possibility of attending one of the magnet schools
- Visit local college campuses with your child and take visitor tours during the summer after 10th grade
- Encourage your child to check the school's Job Bank for summer employment opportunities
- Check your child's credits – must have 11 credits by the end of summer school to be promoted to 11th grade
- Continue to:
  - Set academic goals with your child
  - Monitor your child's grades putting special emphasis on math and English and stay abreast of your child's weekly progress using the school's online communication tool
  - Understand and discuss with your child the high school graduation requirements and diploma options listed in the school's course catalog
  - Discuss the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Course of Study and how it provides postsecondary educational opportunities for your child
  - Discuss Nevada's Millennium Scholarship with your child and the new GPA and core requirements <http://nevadatreasurer.gov/millennium/>
  - Research the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) scholarship requirements, if applicable <http://www.ncaa.org/>
  - Encourage your child to utilize the NCIS - Nevada Career Information System to explore career, college, scholarship information, and the Career Interest Inventory using the free Zip Code Access [www.nvcis.intocareers.org](http://www.nvcis.intocareers.org)
  - Monitor your child's meeting with counselor in the spring to review their CCSD Academic Plan and select courses for junior year <http://ccsd.net/schools/eduplan>
  - Attend College Fair Plus with your child <http://www.ccsd.net/collegefair>
  - Contribute to a college savings plan website <http://nevadatreasurer.gov/College/>
  - Encourage your child to stay involved in school and community-based extracurricular activities
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  - Assist your child with organization and time management
  - Talk about career choices focusing on the level of education needed for specific jobs
  - Help your child update their resume file, collecting lists of awards, activities, community service, employment, etc.
  - Remind your child to request and complete make-up assignments when absent
  - Encourage summer reading <http://www.collegeboard.com/>