

Opportunities For Juniors

Your junior year is an important year in your preparation for college. Here are some tips and opportunities for you.

- Keep your grades up
- Participate in AP and or concurrent enrollment
- Prepare for the ACT (take an ACT prep class at school or online or buy an ACT study guide.)
- Check to make sure you are on track for Regents (should have 3 math, 3 eng, 3 lab science, at least 1 foreign language by end of junior year)
- Get involved, Join a variety of clubs
- Do service. Either through a service club at school or with a community organization or both.
- Search for scholarships on the WHS website and on scholarship search engines

Programs with scholarship opportunities:

Apply to attend Boys or Girls State on the Weber State University campus the summer after your junior year. There are scholarship opportunities available for participants.

Boys State

At American Legion Boys State, participants are exposed to the rights and privileges, the duties and the responsibilities of a franchised citizen. The training is objective and practical with city, county and state governments operated by the students elected to the various offices. Activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, chorus and recreational programs.

High school juniors are selected by local American Legion Posts to attend the program. Many Universities offer college credits for the Boys State and the Girls State program.

Girls State

High school girls, who have completed their Junior year, spend an intensive week of study, working together as self-governing citizens at Auxiliary-sponsored Girls State programs in every state. Participants learn how to participate in the functioning of their state's government in preparation for their future roles as responsible adult citizens. Activities include legislative sessions, campaigning, party rallies, debating and voting. Girls State gives participants the experience of living together as self-governing citizens with the privileges, rights and responsibilities of American citizenship. This learning experience helps educate young women about their duties as United States citizens. Two girls are selected from each Girls State program to attend Girls' Nation. <https://sites.google.com/site/deptofutah/programs>

Governor's Honors Academy at SUU

Apply your junior year to attend the summer between your junior and senior year. Participants will earn 6 college credits and earn a 4 year scholarship to Southern Utah University. You spend a week on campus and participate in workshops, visit national parks and do service activities. Acceptance to the program is based on GPA, ACT and Essay.

<http://www.suu.edu/prostu/gha>

Engineering State at Utah State University

Apply to attend Engineering State at USU. Apply during your junior year to attend the summer between junior and senior year.

The purpose of E-State is to positively impact high school students and create an interest in science, technology, engineering & mathematics. To offer students experiences a hands-on, in-depth view of engineering using the strategies and tools of today's engineers.

Give students the opportunity to work with world class faculty Biological (BE), Civil and Environmental (CEE), Computer Science (CS), Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE), Engineering Education (EED), Mechanical and Aerospace (MAE) Engineering.

Students have opportunities to explore future careers.

Scholarships are available for participants based on GPA, ACT and Essay

<http://www.engineering.usu.edu/htm/engineering-state>

Spirit of America Youth Conference at Valley Forge

Apply for a sponsorship to attend the conference at Valley Forge Pennsylvania.

A program for high school students, the Spirit of America Youth Leadership Program offers an opportunity to participate in a four-day residential program. Participants, from across the country, will be challenged to articulate their views and perceptions of citizenship through interaction and collaboration with their peers. Experienced and expert faculty and staff will conduct leadership workshops, and historical tours of Philadelphia and Valley Forge.

<http://www.freedomsfoundation.org/>

Boost your college resume by earning the Congressional Award

Program participants can work toward a Congressional Award Certificate or Medal. In either category there are three achievement levels: gold, silver, and bronze. Minimum requirements must be met regarding the number of hours devoted to each of the four program areas, total hours worked toward the award, and for the duration of the participant's efforts. Senators and Representatives present the awards at local, city, or state ceremonies. Gold medal recipients are recognized each year at the Congressional Award Gold Ceremony at the U.S. Capitol.

*For more information about any of the above opportunities contact Mrs Lees in the counseling office or your assigned counselor.