

## Falcon's Senior Year Checklist

- ❑ Join Mrs. Poston's Office Google Classroom and Follow us on Twitter!  
[Counseling Office Twitter!](#)
- ❑ Meet with Mrs. Poston/Review Credit Check to make sure you are on track to graduate!  
Finish Strong with good grades and attendance!
- ❑ Update Xello Account: Located on your Chrome Book Home Page!
  - ❑ Update Work Experience, Leadership, Awards, Service
  - ❑ Save Careers and Schools of interest
- ❑ Create an Ohio Means Jobs Account: [Ohio Means Jobs](#)
  - ❑ Look at College and Job Resources
  - ❑ Look for apprenticeship programs/on-the-job training programs
  - ❑ What would you put on your resume?
  - ❑ Social Media Profiles Information
- ❑ College Visits: You must bring an official statement from the office of admissions for the visit to be excused. Register for College Visits on each college's website!
- ❑ If you do not have a personal email address that sounds professional., please make one now for all of your college information and for your resume!
- ❑ ACT/SAT Testing or ASVAB for military-bound students
  - ❑ Know your Testing Dates for Summer and Fall
  - ❑ Know the last testing dates prior to applications being due in the fall.
  - ❑ Contact a recruiter to set up ASVAB testing for the military
- ❑ Create your Common App Account/download the app
  - ❑ Common App opens on August 1st; check out the resources such as the application dictionary! [Common Application](#)
  - ❑ [Common App Guide for First-Time Applicants!](#)
  - ❑ Early Action (non-binding) vs. Early Decision (binding commitment if accepted)
  - ❑ Ohio State: Must apply by Early Action deadline for Engineers and other In-Demand Majors
  - ❑ Must be aware of deadlines for each school! Early Action and Rolling Deadlines are different!
  - ❑ If applying to Community Colleges (OU-L, COTC, Hocking, Columbus State) use the application on the college's website!
- ❑ FAFSA/FAFSA Mobile App
  - ❑ Opens Oct. 1st.

- ❑ The earlier it is completed the better; know your school's scholarship/FAFSA deadlines
  - ❑ Check Google Classroom and Email for United Way FAFSA Help Sessions
  - ❑ Learn more about Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) and the Student Aid Report (SAR) [Understanding your Student Aid Report](#)
- ❑ College Fairs and Financial Aid Night Presentations: Check Twitter and Google Classroom for updates.
- ❑ Career Expo/Fairfield County Job Development: 33 Corridor
  - ❑ Listen to a presentation regarding job openings for those right out of high school.
  - ❑ Attend the Career Fair in the spring with a resume to find a career opportunity right out of high school and/or to help pay for college
  - ❑ See Mrs.Poston or Ms.Balint for the Job Readiness Packet! This is a great opportunity for anyone wanting a great job opportunity right out of high school!
  - ❑ <https://www.fairfield33.com/interested-student.html>
- ❑ Recommendation Letters
  - ❑ Ask early
  - ❑ Give Teachers a list of activities, awards, service, and future plans
  - ❑ Must be a professional: No family friends, childhood friends, etc. Once in college, use college professors and not just high school letters of rec!
- ❑ Submit a transcript release via the link on the district website for Common App and all other college applications, scholarship, and NCAA/NAIA. You must give at least three days notice! [Link for Transcript Requests!](#)
- ❑ Scholarships: Watch @FUHS\_Guidance for scholarships, your student emails, the high school counseling page, Fairfield County Foundation, Fastweb, Cappex, Scholarship 360, Ohio Means Jobs, and Ohio Higher Education for scholarships.
- ❑ Scholarship Links: [Fastweb](#), [Cappex](#), [Ohio Higher Ed](#), [Fairfield County Foundation](#), [Columbus Foundation](#), [Going Merry](#)
- ❑ Submit Final Transcript information to Mrs.Skinner!
- ❑ Review and compare Financial Aid packages from colleges and make a final decision. Let other colleges know if you will not be attending.
- ❑ Make sure you know deadlines for Housing and other deposit deadlines for your college!
- ❑ Enjoy Graduation!
- ❑ Send Thank-You Notes!

