

Category: Academic/ Social skills and Life skills/Post Secondary
Advisory Goal: Almost seniors - Seniors discuss with Juniors transition from 11th to 12th grade

Grade:

Opening: Seniors will discuss how the 11 th graders are almost done and should start to look at their role and responsibilities as 12 th graders	2-3 minutes
Activity / Topic: Transition to 12 th grade	5-6 minutes
Closing: Explanation	1-2 minutes
Supplies: Almost Seniors Worksheet - <u>MAKE COPIES</u>	
Grouping: Individuals/ Whole group	
LOOK AT THE ALTERNATIVE OPTION IF YOU WISH	

Rationale: To explain to juniors how to make a smooth transition into senior year

Opening: Distribute the handout to the class.

Activity / Topic: Transition from junior year to senior year

Directions:

- Options: a) As a class review the handout with your students. Go through each statement and ask the students those questions and to check off their boxes as they go through the list. b) Have the students individually go through the list and check off what they have done.
- If any of the students had answered "no" to their questions. Options: a) Answer the questions yourself. b) Direct the student to seek out their guidance counselor to get the proper answer.

Debriefing:

Option One:

Summarize: After participating in this activity I realized

Option Two:

Summarize: How can you use this information from today's activity?

Closing: Explain to the students the importance of getting themselves in order to be prepared to take the next step in their life in high school and after high school as well and how its not to late if they have not done this yet.

ALMOST SENIORS...

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Senior year will be here sooner than you think! Are you ready for the responsibilities of being a senior?

- Do you have all the classes you need to graduate behind you?
- Do you have the proper amount of credits to graduate on time?
- Have you passed your C.A.P.T? If not, have you meet the alternative requirements?
- If college is your desired route, have you made the necessary plans?
 - Have you made any college visits?
 - Did you begin to gather applications and fees?
 - Have you taken any entrance exams (ACT or SAT)?
 - Did you consider any financial aid considerations? F.A.F.S.A – Federal Aid and Scholarships
- Are you planning to go to work?
- Do you have a specific plan in place?

If your answer is "no" to any of these questions, now is a good time to plan how you will go about accomplishing these goals!

Other things to consider...

(use the blank arrows to add items that come up during discussion today)

- **There will be senior fees next year to cover things like prom, graduation, etc. How will you cover these fees?**
- **Do you have any debts at school, like overdue library books? These will have to be paid before you graduate or the school won't release your transcripts!**
- **Are you short credits? CHECK WITH YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSLER. Go to summer school this year to make them up!**

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As a senior, you will be the role models for younger students in the building. You can help younger students to be their best by being the best you can be!

Alternative Options: *If you wish seek out a Senior advisor and have their advisory come and talk to yours*