## **Timeline**

## **Junior Year:**

**October** – Attend the Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) – usually at MSTC. Great way to make contacts with a number of post-secondary institutions in a short amount of time.

Jan.-March – Begin to identify what is most important to YOU in choosing a post-secondary path (career interests, big school/small school, close to home/far away, etc.) Career Cruising can be a big help! <a href="http://www.careercruising.com">http://www.careercruising.com</a>

February – Register for the ACT at <a href="http://act.org">http://act.org</a>

March – AHS ACT Boot Camp (Mr. Klein, Mrs. Minarcin, Mr. Klinkhammer) Great way to prepare for the ACT!

April – 1<sup>st</sup> ACT Test – All juniors should take the ACT (most will take it multiple times). Good scores on the ACT can pay off financially with many schools (including UW schools (Pointer Payback among others) and private universities)

- Some schools may require the ACT to be sent directly to them.

Mar.-Aug. – Research, compare and visit different post-secondary institutions

– Use the following websites prior to visiting to help inform you:

https://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu

http://www.privatecolleges.org

http://wistechcolleges.org

https://uwjourney.wisconsin.edu

- Private College Week July 9-14, 2018 Statewide open house for all private universities
- See UW handouts for Campus Preview Days and Tours

## **Senior Year:**

September – Senior Class Meeting

- -Scholarships
- -Letters of Recommendation
- -Senior information
- College Goal Wisconsin Great resource for filling out the FAFSA!

## October – Junior/Senior Student & Parent Night

- Representatives from UW schools, Private Universities, and Technical Colleges are available to give overviews and answer questions
- Financial Aid Representative from UWSP will be available to discuss financial aid questions and the FAFSA (can start submitting by October 1<sup>st</sup>)

**Sept.-Nov.** – Start submitting post-secondary institutions

**Nov.-April** – Make final decisions (acceptance letters, financial aid award letters/packages, housing, etc.) **June** – Send final transcript to chosen post-secondary institution