



ARKANSAS COMMITMENT

Leadership Development For Black Students.

9TH GRADE – THE FOUNDATION YEAR

Introductory Meeting including Parents/Guardians (August/ September)

Orientation to Program plus College Counseling with advice on grades, course selection, extra-curricular activities, and career exploration

Monthly College Counseling/ PSAT Test Prep Sessions (once a month)

Basic Financial Aid and financial planning session

10TH GRADE – ACTIVITY INVOLVEMENT AND IMPROVING GRADES

Emphasis will be placed on overall mentoring, continued academic progress and leadership development

Monthly College Counseling/ Test Prep Sessions (once a month)

ACT or SAT to be taken once during the year: **REQUIRED**

Financial Aid and planning session – Part 2

11TH GRADE – OFFICIALLY BECOMING PART OF THE COMMITMENT

Monthly College Counseling/SAT & ACT Test Prep Seminars (once a month during first semester; then twice a month in second semester)

Official Candidate Application (first semester)

PSAT prep (September); ACT prep program (starting in January); ACT and/or SAT to be taken once or more during the year and in the second semester at the latest: **REQUIRED**

Spring semester – starting the college search process, researching schools and programs, developing potential “school lists,” and formal interview process with Director: **REQUIRED**

College Tour

Community service projects: **REQUIRED**

Summer Programs research and application

12TH GRADE – COLLEGE SEARCH/ FINANCIAL AID/ SCHOLARSHIPS/ INTERNSHIPS

Numerous College Counseling/SAT & ACT Test Prep Seminars (at intervals during the academic year)

Institutional and Outside scholarship application (entire school year)

Financial Aid Workshop (November-January)

Intern Application (March); Intern Interviews (April)

ACT/ SAT to be taken as needed during the fall semester depending on previous scores: **REQUIRED**

Community service projects: **REQUIRED**