**3rd Quarter Looking to the Future**

For many of you, college may seem like a LONG way away! However, in early spring you will be planning your high school program. Then – in just 4 short years, you will be embarking on this journey. Now is the time to begin envisioning your future. College can bring about a mix of emotions in many people. Apprehension, nervousness, excitement, anxiety, frustration, anger, and happiness are all common when preparing for this process. To help alleviate some of those feelings, to improve your research skills, and to enhance your writing, we’re going to delve into the college world – middle school style!

You will be completing a variety of activities in order to accomplish your goal in the unit. The chart below will help you to check off what you a have done and what you still need to accomplish for the next few weeks.

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| **ACTIVITY** | **DUE DATE** | **CHECK COMPLETE** |
| **Activity 1 – The Preparation** |  |  |
| 1-Watch the power point |  |  |
| 1-Complete the Career Interest Survey |  |  |
| 1-Annotate and Discuss AoW Choice |  |  |
| 1-Discuss colleges with parents |  |  |
| **Activity 2 – The Research** |  | **Classwork Grade** |
| 2-Complete Research on one college |  |  |
| 2-Complete Research on 2nd college |  |  |
| 2-Complete Research on 3rd college |  |  |
| **Activity 3 – The Business Letter** |  | **Quiz Grade** |
| 3-Rough Draft of Business Letter |  |  |
| 3-Edit of Business Letter |  |  |
| 3-Final Copy of Business Letter |  |  |
| **Activity 4 – The Application** |  | **Quiz Grade** |
| 4-Complete the College Application |  |  |
| **Activity 5 – The Essays** |  | **Test Grade** |
| 5-Rough Draft of Short Essay |  |  |
| 5-Edit of Short Essay |  |  |
| 5-Final Copy of Short Essay |  |  |
| 5-Rough Draft of Long Essay |  |  |
| 5-Edit of Long Essay |  |  |
| 5-Final Copy of Long Essay |  |  |