

SYLLABUS



College Prep

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Welcome to College Prep! 🎓 Your Year of Growth & Purpose Starts Now!

Dear Students and Families,

I'm excited to welcome you to College Prep. A unique, faith-rooted journey designed especially for our high school students. Attached to this email, you'll find the College Prep Class Syllabus outlining everything we'll be covering throughout the year, from discovering personal purpose to preparing college applications, developing life skills, and growing spiritually.

This course is not just about getting into college, it's about becoming the person God created you to be. Through projects, guest speakers, mentorship, and hands-on learning, students will explore their calling, prepare practically for college, and strengthen their biblical worldview in the process.

 Class Days: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays

 Volunteer Days: Thursdays

 Homework Due: Fridays (submit in Mrs. Moore's office turn-in bin)

Each quarter focuses on a different theme:

- Quarter 1: Discovering Purpose
- Quarter 2: Academic & Admissions Mastery
- Quarter 3: Life Skills & Independence
- Quarter 4: Spiritual Growth & Final Prep

Please review the attached syllabus and let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to partnering with you in this exciting and meaningful year ahead!

Blessings,

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Duration: 36 Weeks (1 School Year)

Class Days: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays

Volunteer Days: Thursdays (Students will assist with grading, organizing, mentoring, classroom support, or other staff-assigned tasks.)

Homework Due: Every Friday (Place in turn-in bin in the office before dismissal. Early submissions allowed.)

Homework Frequency: At least 1 assignment per week (varies by topic and quarter focus)

Project Frequency: 1 major project per quarter

Special Assignments: 2 per quarter, aligned with current topics

Required Materials

To participate fully and stay organized throughout the course, students must bring the following items to class each day:

- 1 Agenda or Weekly Planner (for scheduling deadlines, events, and personal tasks)
- 1 College Prep Notebook (for class notes, journaling, and reflections)
- 1 Three-Ring Binder (1.5” or 2” recommended) with Dividers:
 - Syllabus & Schedule
 - Homework & Assignments
 - Project Guidelines
 - Notes & Handouts
 - Research
- Pens, Pencils, and Highlighters
- Access to a Google account (for collaborative work, online forms, and digital submissions)
- Bible (physical)
- Poster board or printed materials as needed for projects (**will be notified in advance**)
- If the student has a laptop, Ipad, or phone for educational purposes may bring it to this class.

This College Prep Class Syllabus offers a comprehensive and structured curriculum designed to prepare high school juniors and seniors for the academic, personal, and spiritual challenges of college. The course is built to ensure students are well-rounded and equipped for life beyond high school, with a focus on practical life skills, a strong sense of purpose rooted in a biblical worldview, and mastery of the college admissions process.

Class Outline

Week	Date	Topic	Assignment	Important Announcements
Quarter #1				
1	08/11-08/15	Course Introduction & Why College Prep Matters	Homework: Create a personal college goals vision board using Canva or poster board.	08/11 First Week of School
2	08/18-08/22	Biblical View of Calling vs. Career	Homework: Write a one-page reflection on what it means to be “called” by God.	
3	08/25-08/29	Personality & Spiritual Gifts Assessments	Homework: Take the MBTI and Spiritual Gifts tests, then write 3 takeaways.	
4	09/02-09/05	Interpreting Results: Who Am I & What Am I Called to Do?	Special Assignment 1: Passion Reflection Essay	09/01 No School - Labor Day
5	09/08-09/12	Passion Projects: Exploring Interests & Hobbies	Homework: Interview a parent/mentor about how they discovered their calling.	
6	09/15-09/19	Researching Careers & Majors Based on Gifts and Interests	Homework: Present a 3-minute “Passion Pitch” to your class on something you love.	
7	09/22-09/26	Understanding Different Types of Colleges	Homework: Research 2 careers that match your gifts and write a brief comparison.	
8	09/29-10/03	How to Choose the Right College for YOU	Special Assignment 2: College Comparison Matrix	
9	10/06-10/10	Guest Panel: Alumni/College Students Q&A	Quarter Project: Personal Calling Poster Presentation <u>Turn in your notes:</u> Write a summary reflection from the panel and your biggest takeaway.	
Quarter #2				
10	10/13-10/16	College Application Timeline & Organization	Homework: Create a color-coded application timeline using Google Sheets.	10/13 End of First Nine Weeks 10/17 No School - UF Homecoming
11	10/21-10/24	Common App & Other Platforms Overview	Homework: Create a Common App checklist for one college of your choice.	10/20 Student’s Holiday/ <u>Teacher</u> Work Day

12	10/27-10/31	Writing the College Essay (Brainstorming & Drafting)	Homework: Begin writing a rough draft of your college essay.	
13	11/3-11/07	Revising & Peer-Editing the Essay	Homework: Peer review 2 classmates' essays and provide feedback.	
14	11/10-11/14	Résumé Building Workshop	<u>Special Assignment 1:</u> Résumé Draft & Peer Review Homework: Create or update your professional résumé using a template.	11/11 No School - Veterans' Day
15	11/17-11/21	Letters of Recommendation & Communication	Homework: Draft an email to request a recommendation letter.	
16	12/01-12/5	SAT/ACT Overview & Test Prep Resources	<u>Special Assignment 2:</u> Recommendation Request Simulation	
17	12/08-12/12	Dual Enrollment/AP/CLEP Opportunities	Homework: Write a one-page letter to your future self summarizing your growth so far.	
18	12/15-12/18	Mid-Year Reflection & Goal Check-In	Quarter Project: College Essay Portfolio	12/19 No School - Holiday (Flex-Day)
Quarter # 3				
19	01/06-01/09	Budgeting Basics for College Students	Homework: Create a sample monthly college budget using Google Sheets.	01/06 - Classes Resume
20	01/12-01/15	Understanding FAFSA, Scholarships, Grants, and Loans	Homework: Complete the FAFSA simulation on MyStudentAid.gov.	01/12 End of First Semester 01/13 Begin Second Semester 01/16 Student's Holiday/ <u>Teacher</u> Work Day
21	01/20-01/23	Applying for Scholarships	Homework: Scholarship application essay.	01/19 No School - ML King Day
22	01/26-01/30	Student Budget Simulation Activity	<u>Special Assignment 1:</u> College Budget Plan Worksheet Homework: Track your personal spending for one week and analyze it.	
23	02/02-02/06	Time Management & Study Skills	Homework: Create a personal weekly planner & time-blocked study schedule.	
24	02/09-02/12	Week 24: Health, Wellness & Mental Health Management	Homework: Write a journal entry on how you care for your mental health.	02/13 No School - Presidents Day

25	02/16-02/20	Basic Life Skills	Homework: Record a 1-minute video of you doing a basic life task (laundry, cooking, etc.).	
26	02/23-02/27	Digital Responsibility & Email Etiquette	<u>Special Assignment 2:</u> Social Media Audit & Professional Email Draft	
27	03/02-03/06	Self-Advocacy & Communicating with Professors	Homework: Create a skit or script of a mock conversation with a professor.	
28	03/09-03/13	Project Assistance	Quarter Project: “Life in a Dorm” Simulation Presentation	
Quarter # 4				
	03/23-03/27	Review / State Testing		03/23-03/24 - Review Days 03/25-03/27 - State Testing 03/27 End of First Semester
29	03/31-04/03	Keeping the Faith in College <u>Special Assignment 1:</u> Devotional Plan for College Life (Due 05/01)	Homework: Create a weekly devotional plan using your favorite Bible verses.	03/30 Student’s Holiday/ <u>Teacher</u> Work Day
30	04/06-04/10	Apologetics: Defending Your Faith	Homework: Write a 1-page response to a common challenge to Christianity.	
31	04/13-04/17	Political & Cultural Challenges on Campuses	Homework: Create a comic strip, meme series, or journal entry on campus culture.	
32	04/20-04/24	Gap Year & Alternative Paths	Homework: Research and present one gap year or vocational option in class.	
33	04/27-05/01	Capstone Work Week	Homework: Work on finalizing all portfolio pieces.	
34	05/04-05/08	Mock Interviews	Homework: Submit final resume, application, and prep sheet for interviews.	
35	05/11-05/15	Final Presentations & Commissioning Ceremony	Homework: Submit final reflection journal on your College Prep experience.	
36	05/18-05/22	Final Project Assistance	Quarter Project: Capstone Portfolio & Presentation	
37	05/26-05/29	FUN WEEK		05/25 No School - Memorial Day 05/26 All Pending Assignments are due 05/29 Last Day of School

Projects & Special Assignments

Quarter 1 Projects & Special Assignments

Quarter Project: Personal Calling Poster Presentation

- Description: Students will design a poster or digital board that creatively showcases their gifts, personality traits, career interests, spiritual calling, and future goals.
- Goal: Encourage reflection on identity and purpose in God's plan.

Special Assignment 1: Passion Reflection Essay

- Description: Write a 500-word essay exploring what you're passionate about, how it relates to your faith, and how it might align with your career path.
- Goal: Tie in purpose, personality, and calling.

Special Assignment 2: College Comparison Matrix

- Description: Create a comparison chart evaluating 3 colleges based on factors like location, cost, size, programs, spiritual life, and more.
- Goal: Practice informed decision-making and personal alignment.

Quarter 2 Projects & Special Assignments

Quarter Project: College Essay Portfolio

- Description: Submit a polished college application essay, revised drafts, feedback notes, and a short reflection on the process.
- Goal: Build a writing portfolio ready for real applications.

Special Assignment 1: Résumé Draft & Peer Review

- Description: Create a professional résumé with feedback from classmates. Include extracurriculars, volunteer work, and honors.
- Goal: Teach résumé formatting and peer review skills.

Special Assignment 2: Recommendation Request Simulation

- Description: Write a mock email requesting a letter of recommendation from a teacher or mentor. Include background info and why you're asking them.
- Goal: Practice professional communication.

Quarter 3 Projects & Special Assignments

Quarter Project: “Life in a Dorm” Simulation Presentation

- Description: Create a visual or live presentation of your ideal dorm setup, daily routine, meal plans, budgeting hacks, and social boundaries.
- Goal: Teach practical independence and self-management.

Special Assignment 1: College Budget Plan Worksheet

- Description: Fill out a realistic monthly budget based on actual college expenses (use FAFSA estimators or sample data).
- Goal: Build financial literacy.

Special Assignment 2: Social Media Audit

- Description: Audit your social media for professionalism and submit a before/after summary.
- Goal: Promote digital maturity and online self-awareness.

Quarter 4 Projects & Special Assignments

Quarter Project: Capstone Portfolio & Presentation

- Description: Present your completed college prep portfolio: essay, résumé, devotion plan, college choices, calling poster, mock application, and reflection.
- Goal: Showcase readiness and growth.

Special Assignment 1: Devotional Plan for College Life

- Description: Design a personal devotional plan (weekly or daily) using Scripture, prayer prompts, and goals for spiritual growth during college.
- Goal: Foster spiritual independence.

Special Assignment 2: Worldview Debate Response Essay

- Description: Choose a cultural or political topic relevant to college campuses. Write an essay presenting both sides and your reasoned response through a biblical lens.
- Goal: Strengthen critical thinking and respectful engagement.