



# Academic and Career Exploration

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Juniors - December



# Why are we here?

These are the goals for this year  
in this group

1. Help you build skills to manage time, tasks, and goal setting
  2. Talk about some specific timelines and due dates
  3. Explore career choices in depth and link these to education / financial requirements
  4. Make connections to the community that align with future plans
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What's going well  
this school year?

What is something  
you need to  
improve?

# Tasks from September

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# National Exam Schedules

#1

By the next time we meet in March, all juniors will have taken the “state test” ACT, and the deadline for AP Exam registration will have passed!

1. PSAT
    - Registration is immediate
    - Test is October 10
  2. ACT
    - All juniors take “state test” in February
    - Other “national” test dates throughout the year
  3. AP Exams
    - Look for reminders in early 2019
  4. SAT and SAT Subject Tests
    - Depends on the college
  5. ASVAB
    - A military aptitude
    - Contact recruiter first
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# Junior Conference

#2

Did you do this yet?

1. Make an appointment in the Guidance Office

[juniorconferences@arrowheadschoools.org](mailto:juniorconferences@arrowheadschoools.org)

2. Are you able to communicate your college and career goals?
  3. What questions will you bring to the conference?
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# Focus Your Options

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Did you complete this?  
Did you save it to your plan?

1. Review Matchmaker and Career Clusters on Career Cruising
2. Complete Career Selector
3. Select "Save to My Plan"!!



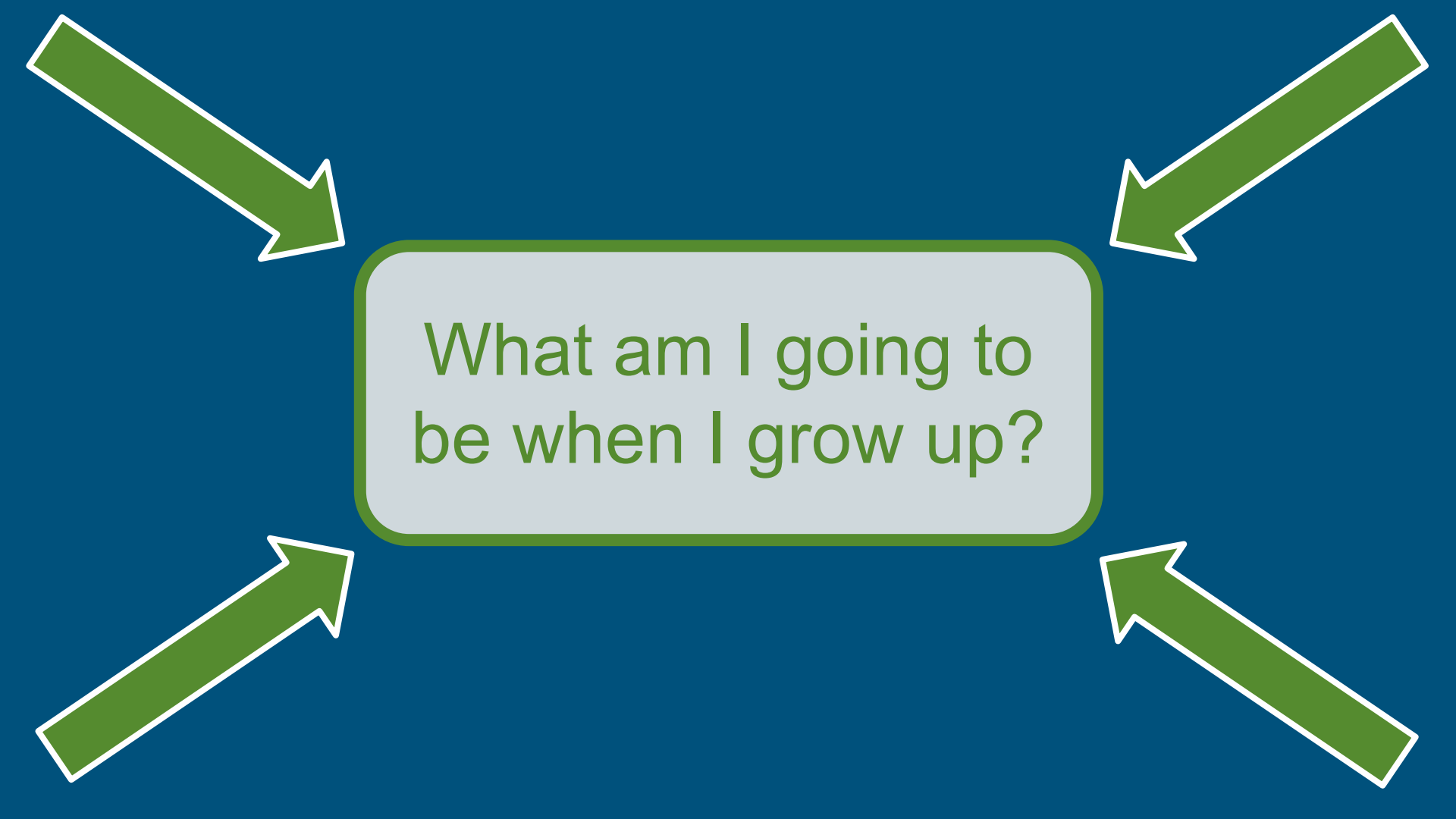
# Letters of Recommendation

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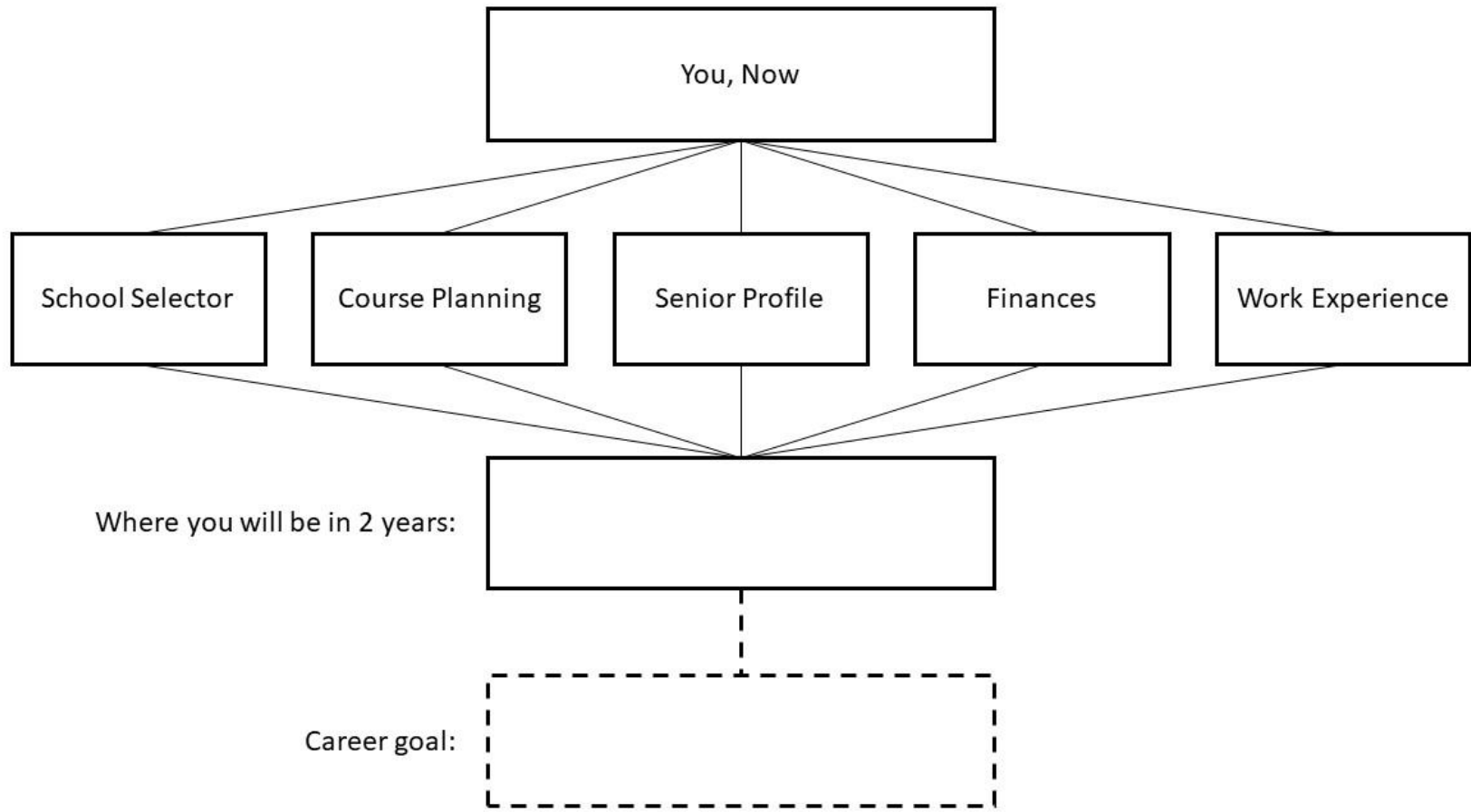
Have you thought about some answers to these questions?

1. Too early!
  2. Why should a school accept you?  
Why should an employer hire you?
  3. Start building a Senior Profile.
  4. Letters support this profile.
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What am I going to  
be when I grow up?



# Career Cruising

- Go to AHS website: [www.arrowheadschoools.org](http://www.arrowheadschoools.org)
- Click on the “CC” (CareerCruising) icon at the top right side of the screen
- Login: same as your google login (Must use your Arrowhead Gmail account!)
- Password: same as your google password

# School Selector

Career Cruising

# Course Planning

Advising and Registration

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## Key Dates

- Week of December 13
    - Course Catalog available online
  - December 12 - January 18
    - Advising Information within classes / subject areas
  - Week of January 28
    - Course Selection Sheets Available
  - Week of January 28
    - Guidance counselor in your English class
  - February 1 through 8
    - Enter course selections using Skyward
    - Registration is online!
    - You will get an email
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# Advising and Registration

## Goals

- Make sure you graduate!
  - Finishing touches
  - Align course selections to your short term and long term goals (2-year goal)
  - Choose the correct balance
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# Advising and Registration

## Technical Considerations

- Prerequisites
  - Is it offered both semesters?
  - Take enough classes
  - Will they fit?
  - Do you have alternates?
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# Recommendations for the next few months

1. Use Career Cruising to research some schools and careers
2. Take course selection seriously
3. Talk to people about their careers

Questions?