

Morristown Hamblen High School West
Graduation, Honors, and College Requirements



To Graduate with Honors

Students who score
at or above all of
the subjects area

The ACT
Benchmarks are
as follows:

English: 19

Math: 22

Reading: 22

Science: 23

Graduation with Distinction

- Nationally recognized industry certification
- Tennessee Governor's School
- All State Musical Organization
- National Merit Finalist or Semi-Finalist
- A composite of 31 or higher on the ACT
- A score of 3 or higher on two AP exams
- 12 or more hours of transcribed college credit

Semester Grade:

A = 4
points

B = 3
points

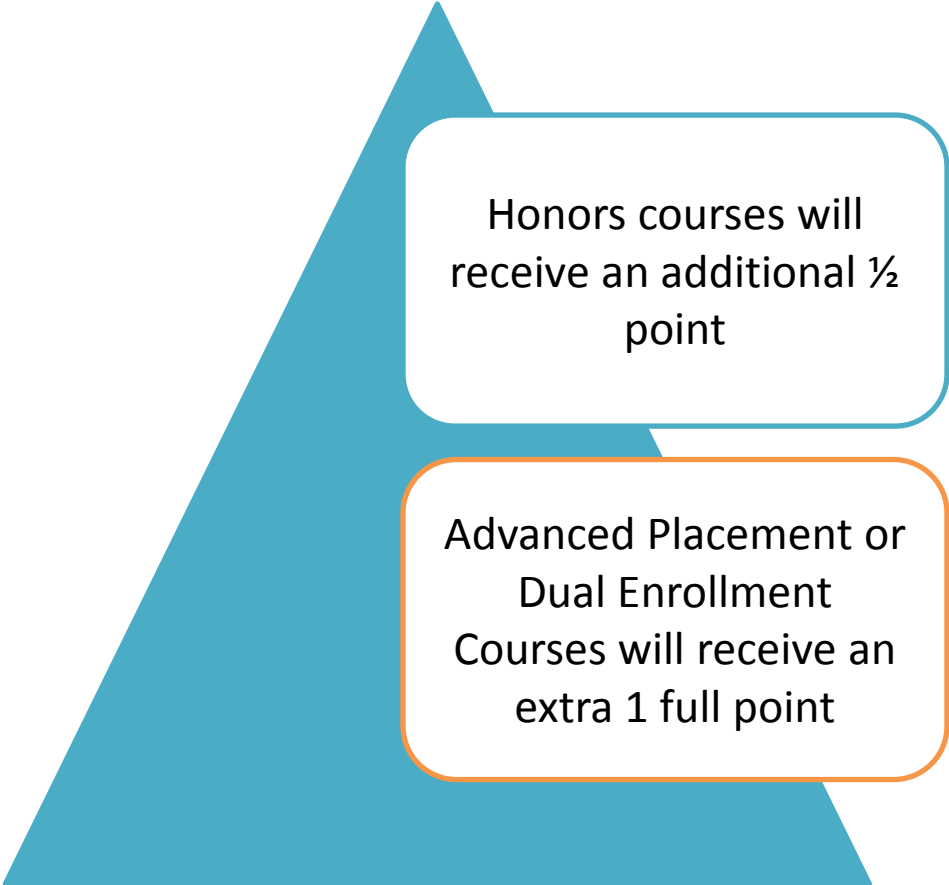
C = 2
points

D = 1
point

F = 0
points

Equation:
Total
Points/ Total
of Credits
= GPA

Weighted Scale for GPA



Honors courses will receive an additional $\frac{1}{2}$ point

Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment Courses will receive an extra 1 full point

Class Rank

Class rank is based on your cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA).

This takes into account all semester grades from your freshman year through the 7th semester of your senior year.

Review Graduation Requirements

ALL
students
must take
and pass
the
following:

- **English: 4 credits** - I, II, III, IV (one per year)
- **Math: 4 credits** - Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry and one upper level course (one per year)
- **Science: 3 credits** – Biology, Physics/Chemistry, one additional lab science
- **Social Studies: 4 credits** – World Geography, U.S. Government, U.S. History and Economics

Review Graduation Requirements

Foreign Language – 2
credits

Fine Arts – 1 credit

Wellness and Physical
Education 1.5 credits

Electives – 6-10 credits

Program of Study – at
least 3 credits

What is a “Program of Study?”

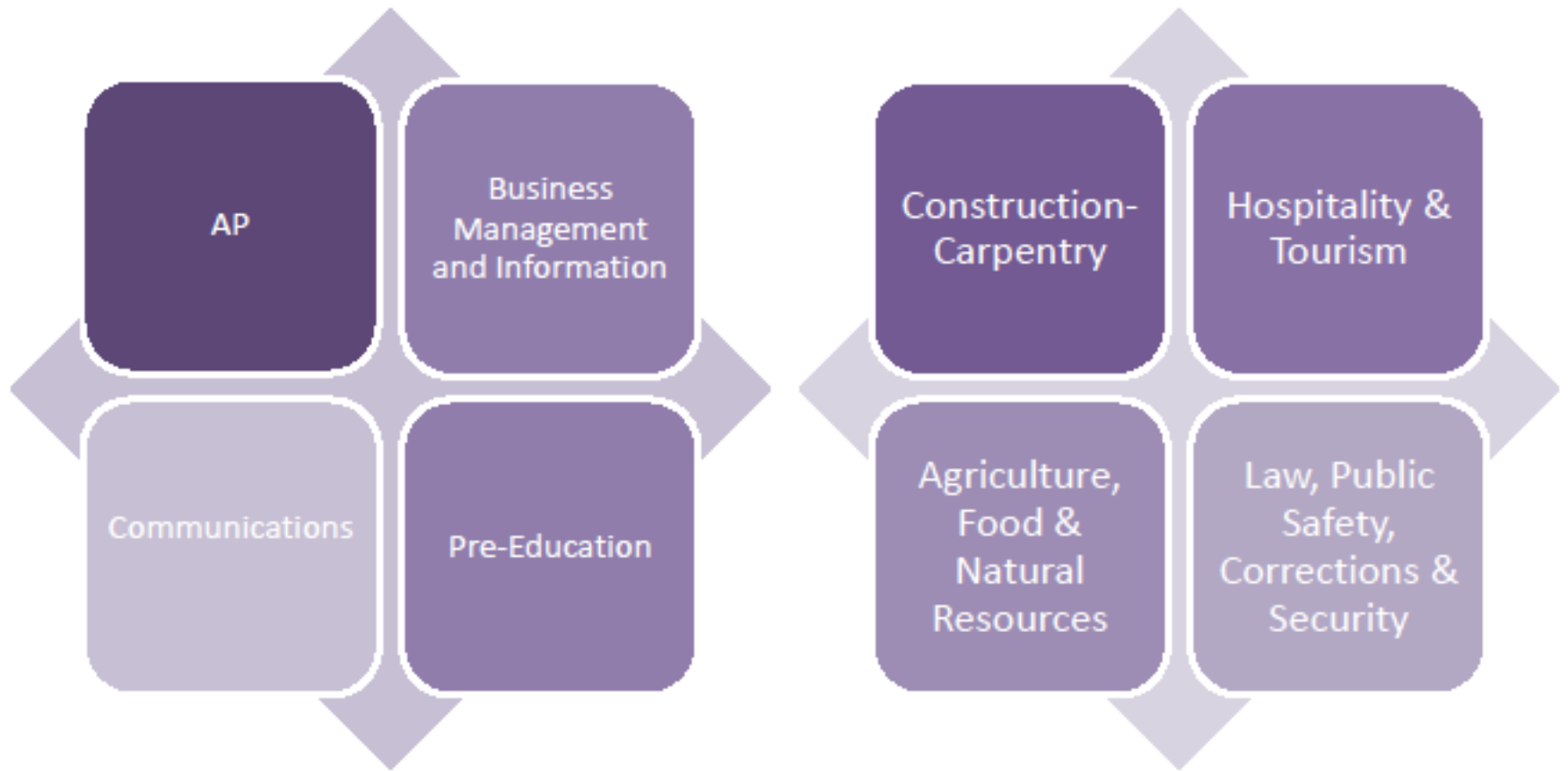
A concentration of classes in a certain area taken by the student

Contains a minimum of 3 classes

Can either be an academic program of study or career and technical education program of study

Please talk with the school counselors to determine what program of study is best fit for you

Examples of some Programs of Study



What happens if I fail?

If you fail a required class, you will have to either:

- Earn that credit back by either **re-taking the class *OR***
- Participate in the **Credit Recovery Program**

Credit Recovery Program

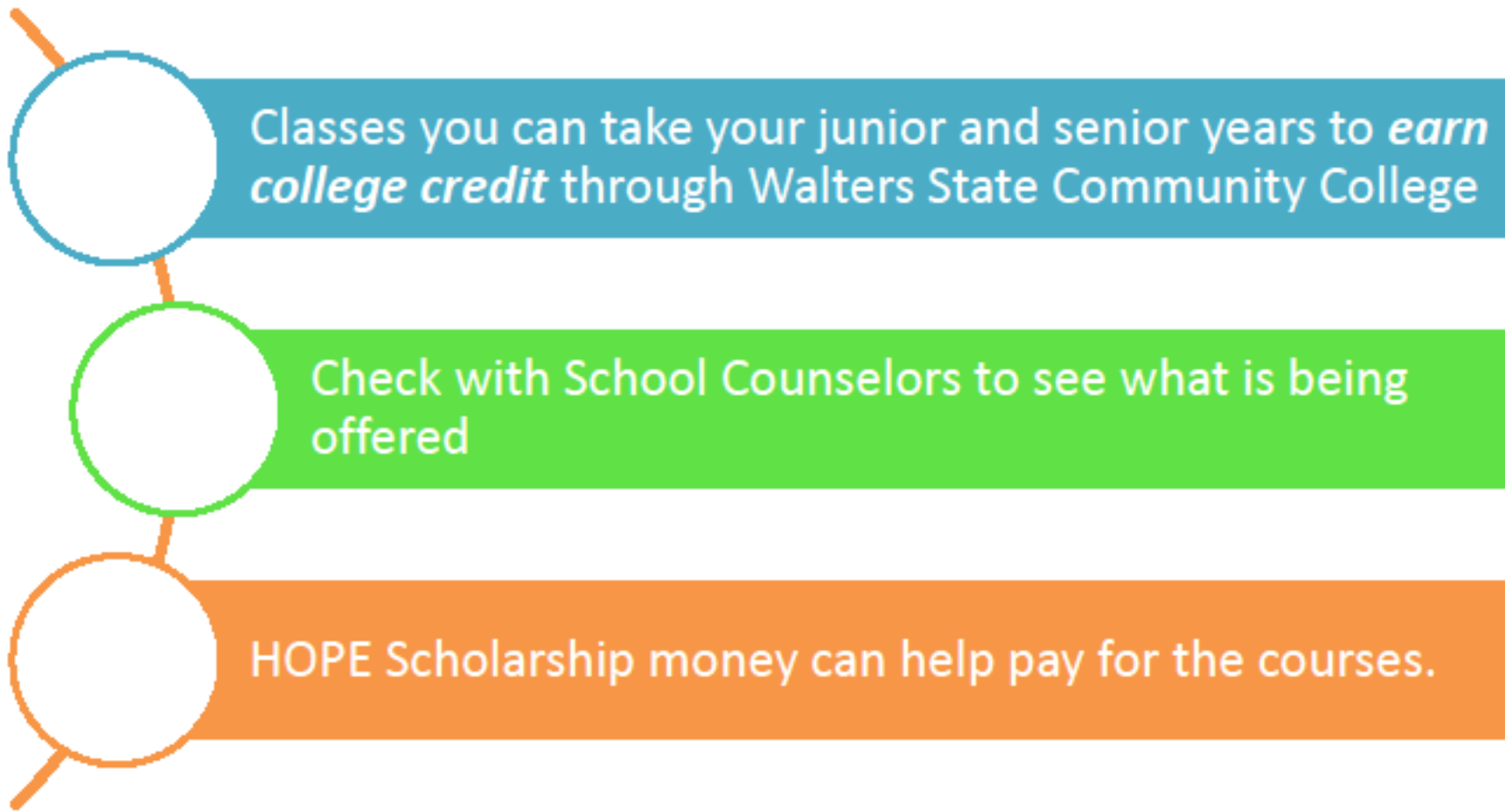
When: After School – Ask School Counselors

Not all courses are available; however most academic classes are (i.e. math, science, social studies, English, etc.).

A \$50 fee is required each time a student signs up for the program. Also, to be eligible, a student must have at least a 50 semester average in their failed class. Can only make a D in the class!!!

A student can only use the program to recover 4 credits throughout high school and can only work on recovering 1 credit per semester.

What is Dual Enrollment?



Classes you can take your junior and senior years to *earn college credit* through Walters State Community College

Check with School Counselors to see what is being offered

HOPE Scholarship money can help pay for the courses.

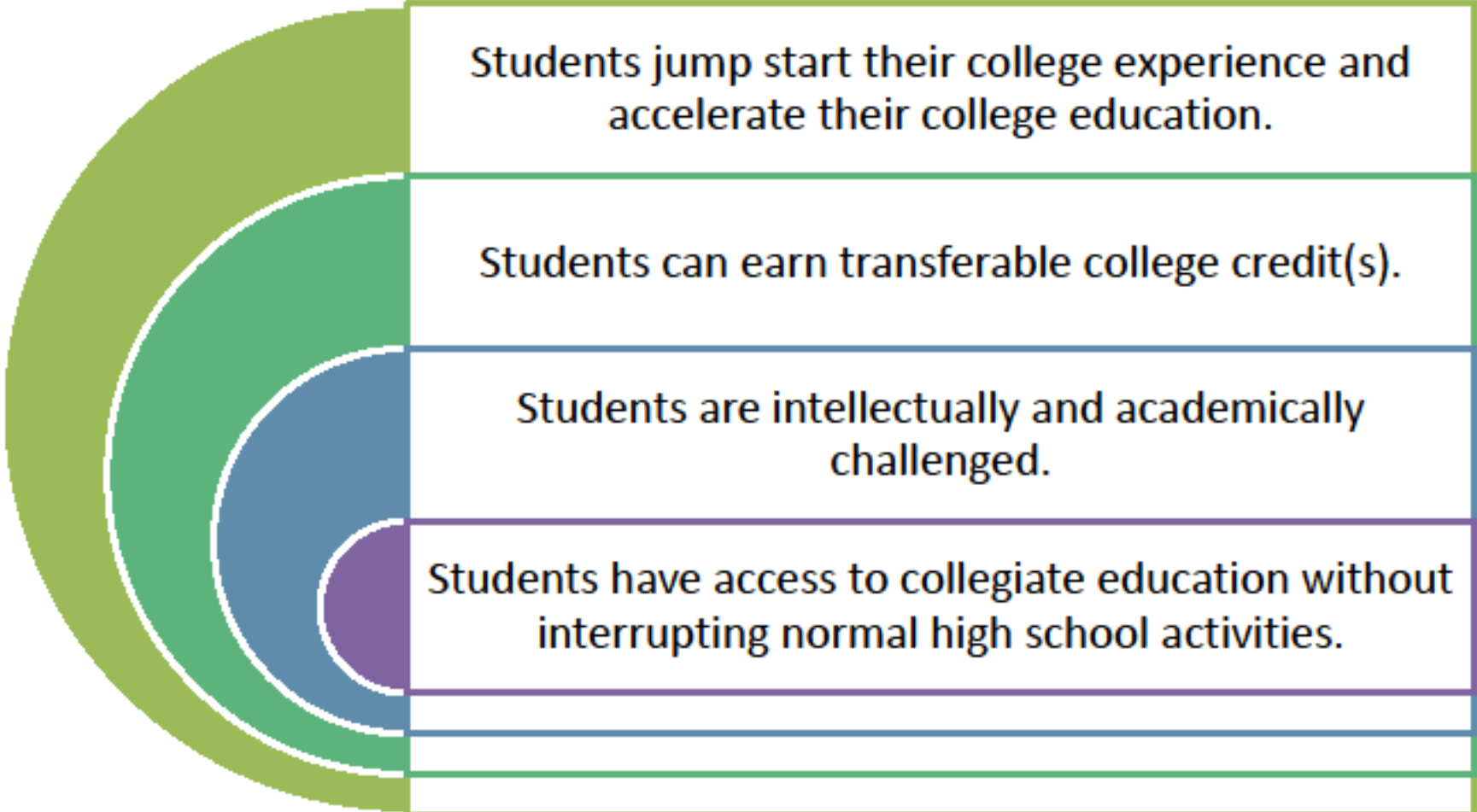
In Order to Qualify for Dual Enrollment Classes through Walters State

Students must have a “B” average (88%)

Students enrolling in a math course must have earned a 19 sub-score or above on the Math portion of the ACT or the PLAN test.

Students enrolling in an English course must have earned an 19 or above on the English sub-score on the ACT or the PLAN test.

Advantages of Dual Enrollment



Students jump start their college experience and accelerate their college education.

Students can earn transferable college credit(s).

Students are intellectually and academically challenged.

Students have access to collegiate education without interrupting normal high school activities.

HOPE Scholarship (Lottery Scholarship)

Requirements:

- Have a **3.0 grade point average** at the end of all 4 years of high school
- *OR*
- Make at least a composite score of **21 on the ACT exam or 980 on the SAT**

Lottery Scholarship Explained

Up to \$6,000 per year at an eligible four-year postsecondary institution or a two-year eligible postsecondary institution that offers on-campus housing.

Up to \$3,000 per year at an eligible two-year postsecondary institution.

Divided equally between fall, spring, and summer semesters.

PSAT Test

National
Test
given in
October

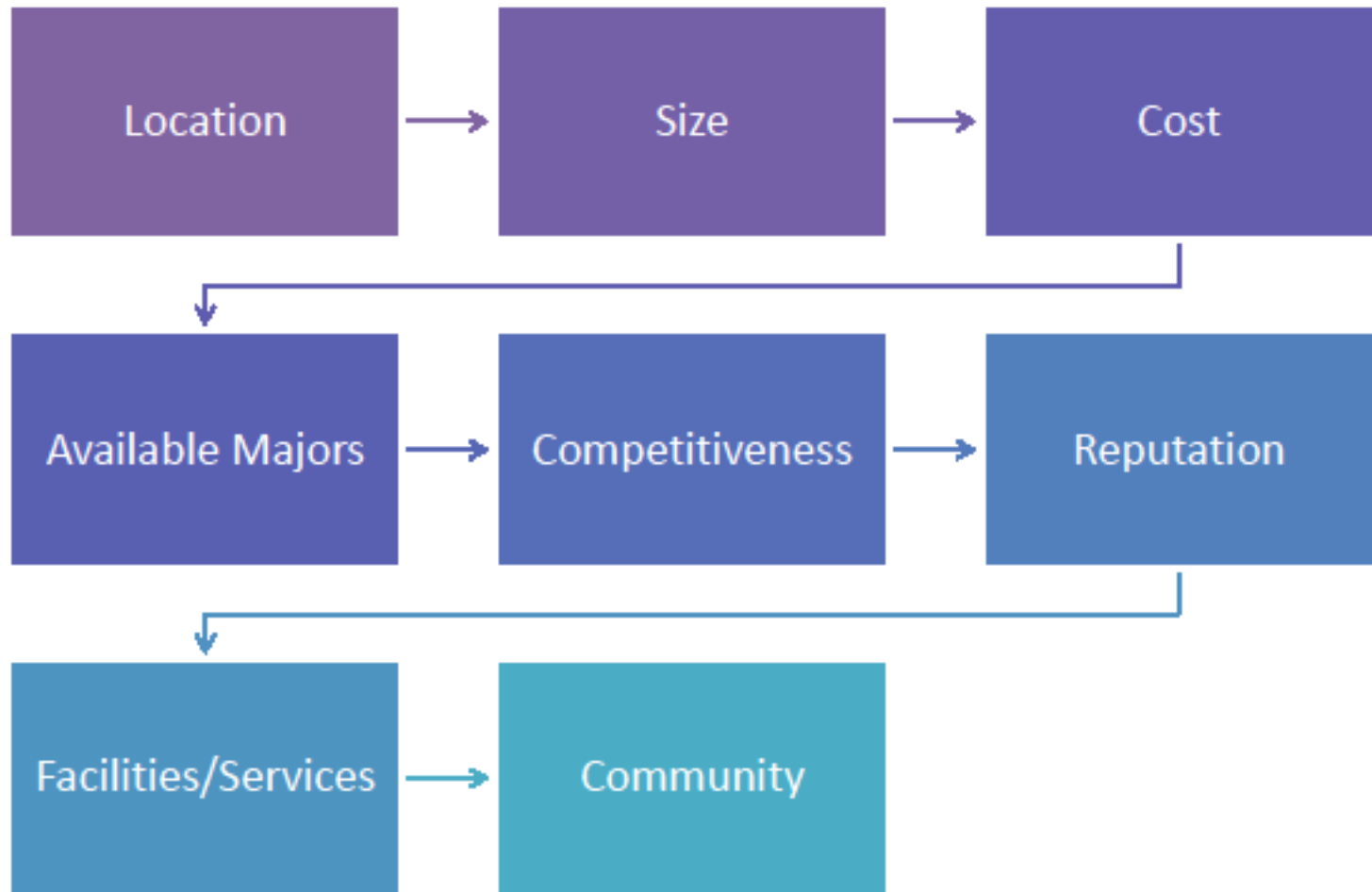
- 5 sections – (2 verbal, 2 math, 1 writing)
- Good practice for the ACT or SAT, gives students an idea of how they may score on the national tests.
- Students can see how their academic skills compare to those of college bound students across the country
- Those who score high are recognized by the National Merit Foundation – CAN HELP LEAD TO SCHOLARSHIPS!!!

ACT

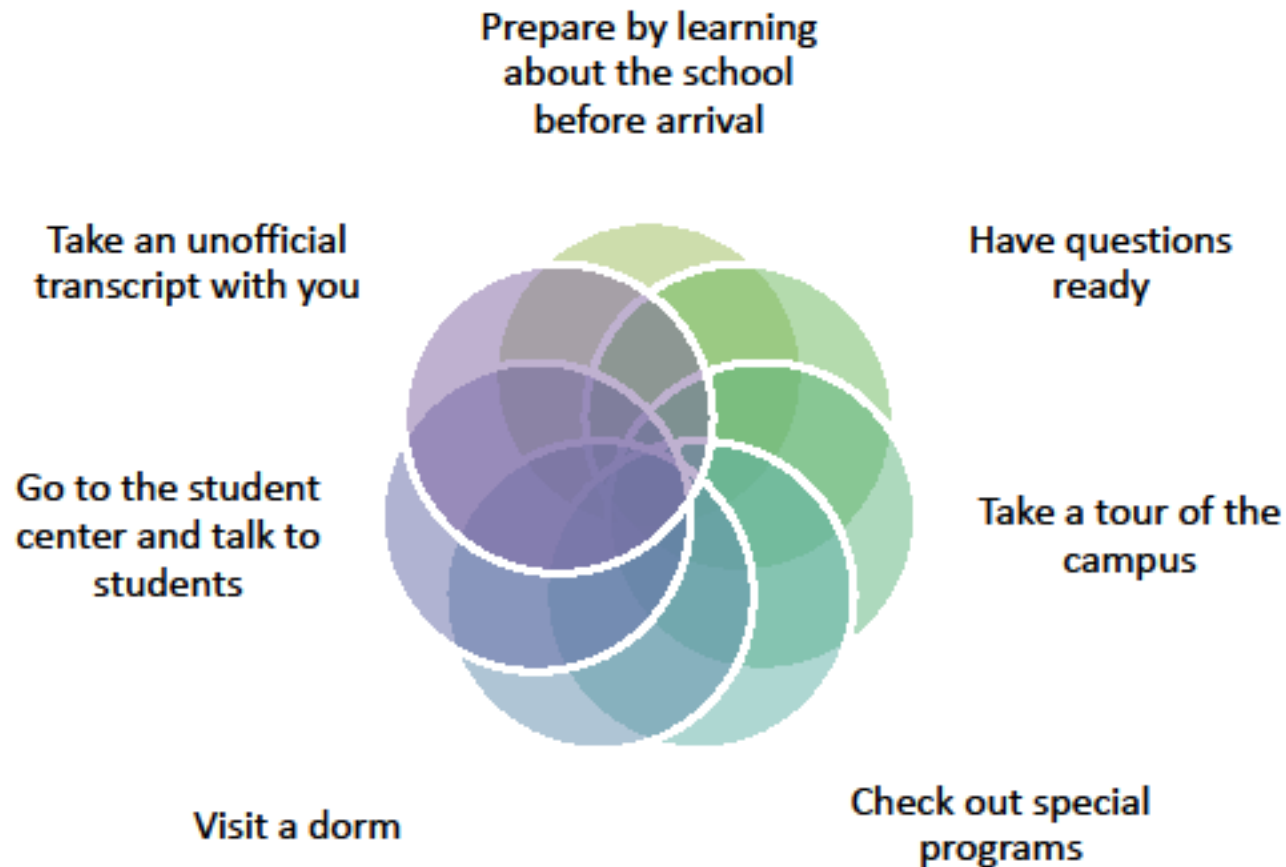
www.actstudent.org

See your Counselor
for study materials!

Research College Options



Make the most of your college visits!



Scholarships

Look online and in the counseling office for the most current and up to date scholarships being offered.

The Senior Newsletter will be posted in the counseling office and online.

Scholarships are kept in the counseling office in red files.



College and Career Resources

www.bls.gov/oco

<http://tcids.tbr.edu>

<http://pathways.tbr.edu>

www.collegepaysTN.org

www.collegeforTN.org