

Redefining the Senior Year



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Welcome!

- In 6 words or less, can you identify why you think redefining the senior year is needed?

Examples:

Create transition(s) to college or career.

Pursue passions with guidance and guardrails

Prepare students for future they desire



National Commission on High School Senior Year

The nation faces a deeply troubling future unless we transform the lost opportunity of the senior year into an integral part of students' preparation for life, citizenship, work, and further education.



College and Career Readiness

College and career ready means that students graduate from high school prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary opportunities whether college or career.



How Do We Support Students?

Transitions

- Catch-Up Initiatives
- Speed-Up Initiatives
- Outreach Opportunities



CATCH-UP INITIATIVES

Literacy Courses

College Career Math Ready Course - SREB

Credit Recovery

Alternative School

Summer School

What is available in your district?



SPEED-UP INITIATIVES

Advanced Placement

International Baccalaureate

Concurrent Enrollment

CLEP

Industry Credentials

Industry Certification

Industry Certificate

Competency-Based Education

Career Technology Academies



OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Apprenticeships, Internships, Mentorships

Career Endorsements

National Academy Foundation

What is available in your district?



Transitions

Perhaps nowhere are the deficiencies [of American high schools] more pronounced than during the senior year of high school. Some students who have already been accepted to college routinely ignore the high school's academic demands. "Senioritis" sets in. Senior year becomes party-time rather than a time to prepare for one of their most important life transitions. Students are bored and studying becomes irrelevant.

The Lost Opportunity of the Senior Year. Preliminary Report. <http://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED453604.pdf>



Supports

- **For all 12th Graders**

- Assessments of readiness
- College success courses and advising
- Community service & internships

- **For 12th graders who are “ready”**

- Dual enrollment
- Begin college course of study
- Begin industry certification

- **For students who are “not ready” by 12th grade**

- Transition course (prepare for credit-bearing courses)
- Dual Enrollment with Co-Requisite Course for Academic Support



THANK YOU!

