**IMPORTANT TIPS FOR THE**

**SOPHOMORE YEAR**

Graduation requirements: Be aware that a student needs at least 40 credits, 26 of which are required subjects, to graduate. In addition, we offer the Core 40, Core 40 with Technical Honors, and the Core 40 with Academic Honors Diploma. Sophomores should check their credits to see if they are on track to graduate and meet diploma goals.

* Set up a regular time and place for your student to study at home. Homework is assigned regularly in most classes.
* Student athletes, according to the Indiana High School Athletic Association, must be passing six classes each nine weeks and semester. Also, a sports physical is required once a year.
* We encourage student involvement in extracurricular activities. Sports, music, clubs, theater, student government and more are available.
* Some sophomores may wish to take the PSAT offered at North High School on Wednesday, October 12 for practice. The registration fee will be $2.
* The sophomore year is the time to begin corresponding with post-secondary institutions in which your student may have an interest. Getting on an institution’s mailing list is the best way to get up-to-date, accurate information. Internet is a great way to search specific institutions.
* The Counseling Center has several resources available for your student to begin the career and/or college search. Encourage your student to make an appointment with Mrs. Hilber in the Counseling Center to pick up information and/or take the computerized searches.
* The scheduling process will begin for the 2012-2013 school year in February. It is very important to choose courses carefully to meet the individual student's goals.
* *“Learn More Resource Center”* Indiana’s pre-k to college connection. Highly recommended website for students and parents to assist with high school, career, college, and financial aid. www.learnmoreindiana.org

# SOPHOMORE TIPS

### **Columbus North High School**

**Counseling Center**

**2011-2012**

# Report Card & Progress Report are available on Parent Portal, we no longer mail grade reports.

**COUNSELING CENTER**

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