



CLASS  
Of 2026

YOUR FUTURE  
WALTON &  
BEYOND

# WHO IS YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR?



**Mrs. Clary**  
**A – Ch**



**Mrs. Alpert**  
**Ci - G**



**Mrs. Dunham**  
**H - K**



**Mrs. Watford**  
**L - N**



**Mrs. Harwood**  
**O - SL**



**Mrs. Fay**  
**Sm - Z**

# SCHOOL COUNSELING SUPPORT STAFF



**Ms. Norrington**

- School Counselor
- Special projects



**Dr. Schwartz**

- Social Worker



**Dr. England**

- College Adviser
- Scholarships
- Volunteer Service Recognition Program



**Mrs. Schrenk**

- Registrar
- Records Room



# HOW TO STAY IN THE KNOW



WALTON HIGH SCHOOL  
SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



**CHECK OUT**  
OUR WEBSITE



**FOLLOW US**  
ON SOCIAL MEDIA



# REASONS TO SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

## We assist with:

- Academic planning
- Career exploration
- Future planning for college
- Personal & social situations

## Referrals:

- Self-referral
- Administrative, teachers, parents, and friends



# HOW TO SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

## Lunch

- Stop by during your lunch period. No appointment is needed.

## Email

- Set up an appointment by emailing your counselor.

## Emergency

- If you are having an emergency, come to the counseling suite and speak with any available counselor.



[www.waltonhighcounseling.com](http://www.waltonhighcounseling.com)

# THINGS TO KNOW...

## Safety

- No harassment & bullying policy
- Tell an adult (teacher, counselor, assistant principal) if you're being harassed/bullied or know of others.

## Crisis

- A life-threatening situation
- Tell an adult immediately

## Confidentiality

- Danger to self or others



# WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE & BEYOND?



Essential  
Question



# LET'S TALK ABOUT...

GPA (Calculating/Importance/Types)

Finding a Balance with Course Rigor

Graduation Requirements

Promotion Requirements

Dual Enrollment

Student Responsibilities in the Classroom

# WHAT IS GPA?

Grade Point  
Average

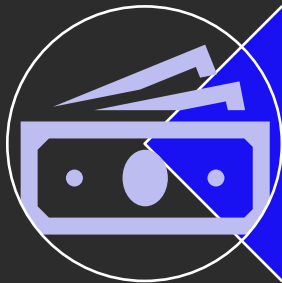
Cumulative,  
Core, HOPE

Weighted and  
Unweighted

# WHY GPA IS IMPORTANT



Some extra-curricular clubs require a certain GPA



Some scholarships require a certain GPA



A high GPA is helpful towards gaining college admission.

# HOW DO I CALCULATE MY GPA?

Step 1: Assign each grade a numeric value

A = 4.0 (90%-100%)

B = 3.0 (80%- 89%)

C = 2.0 (74%- 79%)

D = 1.0 (70%- 73%)

F = 0 (0%- 69%)

AP and Honors courses  
earn quality points  
AP = +1 quality point  
Honors = +0.5 quality  
point

Step 2: Multiply the numeric point value by the credit attempted

Step 3: Total the values from step 2 & divide by the total number of credits attempted



# WEIGHTED GPA EXAMPLE

Honors 9 <sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp	B	$3.5 \times 0.5 = 1.75$
GSE Algebra I	A	$4.0 \times 0.5 = 2.0$
Honors Physics	B	$3.5 \times 0.5 = 1.75$
AP Human Geography	A	$5.0 \times 0.5 = 2.5$
Spanish II	A	$4.0 \times 0.5 = 2.0$
Health	A	$4.0 \times 0.5 = 2.0$

$$\text{Weighted GPA} = 12 / 3 = 4.0$$

# ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

- The faculty and students of Walton High School honor academic and personal integrity.
- We believe that every student has the right to learn in an environment free from academic dishonesty.
- Each individual has the duty to display honesty, integrity, respect, and responsibility, as these characteristics are essential in achieving and sustaining academic excellence.
- Academic integrity is expected on classroom assignments as well as on summer or supplemental assignments.

# CONSEQUENCES OF ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

Type of Infraction	Consequence
<b>Minor Infraction:</b> Copying another person's homework/classwork or allowing another person to copy homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student receives a zero on the assignment</li><li>• N in conduct for that class that semester</li><li>• Administrative Referral Form</li><li>• Teacher will contact parent</li></ul>
<b>Major Infraction:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Minor Infraction in same class OR Any other act of academic dishonesty or violation of Walton Honor Code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student receives a zero on the assignment</li><li>• Loss of final exam exemption/incentive privilege for that class for that semester</li><li>• Forfeiture of 4.0 pass (if applicable)</li><li>• U in conduct for that class that semester</li><li>• Administrative Referral Form</li><li>• Other consequences may be applied in accordance to Cobb County and/or state policy</li><li>• Legal actions may be taken if warranted</li></ul>

- Academic dishonesty may result in the permanent removal or ineligibility from honor societies as well as other leadership positions in extracurricular activities, clubs and student government at the club sponsor's discretion.
- Academic dishonesty infractions are cumulative. Increased penalties apply.

# COURSE RIGOR & YOUR GPA

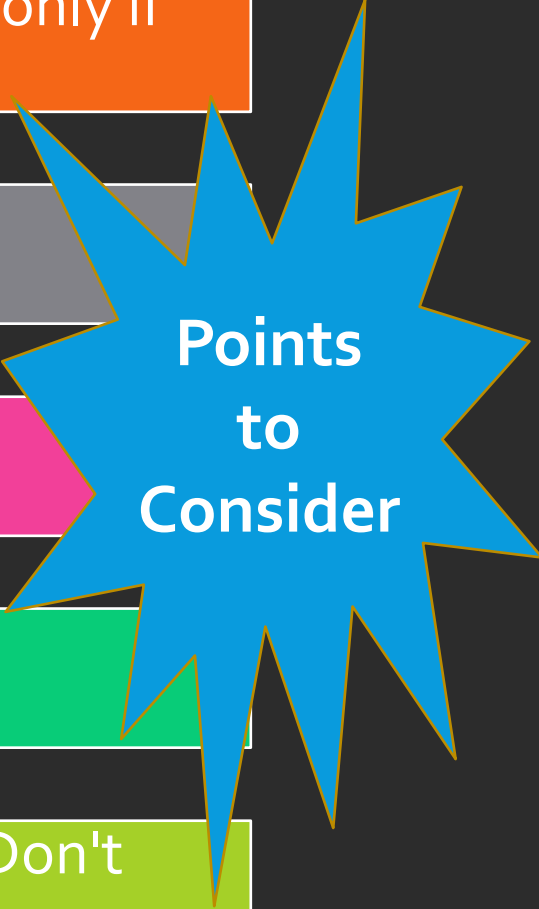
AP and Honors classes can boost your GPA, but only if you do well in those classes

Prepares you for tests (ACT, SAT)

Helps prepare you for college

AP Courses/Exam can earn college credit

\*\*\*You must find the right balance for YOU. Don't compare yourself to others.



Points  
to  
Consider



# PROGRESS REPORT VS. TRANSCRIPT

## Progress Report

- Grades at every six weeks of the semester
- Unofficial document
- Used by parent or guardian
- Found on StudentVue & ParentVue

## Transcript

- Record of all high school final grades
- Official legal document
- Used by colleges, military, and employers
- Includes cumulative weighted & unweighted GPAs, attempted credits, and earned credits

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Area of Study	Required Credits
English/Language Arts	4 credits
Mathematics	4 credits
Science	4 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
World Language/Technical/Fine Art	3 credits
Personal Fitness	0.5 credit
Health	0.5 credit
Electives	4 credits
<b>TOTAL CREDITS:</b>	<b>23</b>

# GRADE PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

Grade Level	Required Credits
10 <sup>th</sup>	5 credits (1 credit each in core English, Math and Science)
11 <sup>th</sup>	10 credits (2 credits each in core English, Math, and Science)
12 <sup>th</sup>	16 credits

# DUAL ENROLLMENT

DE is a state funded program that allows 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders to take college classes while completing their high school diploma.

DE also provides limited options for 10<sup>th</sup> graders

DE pays for 100% tuition, mandatory fees, and required textbooks up to a maximum cap of 30 semester hours

Any 10<sup>th</sup> grader can take CTAE classes at a Technical College

10<sup>th</sup> graders who have earned a 1200 SAT or 26 ACT (in one sitting) are eligible to apply to any DE program

[www.waltonhighcounseling.com/  
dual-enrollment](http://www.waltonhighcounseling.com/dual-enrollment)



# TIPS FOR SUCCESS IN HIGH SCHOOL

## Basic Requirements

- Come to school
- Be on time
- Have your materials
- Pay attention
- Complete and submit your assignments
- Find out what you missed when absent and make up work in a timely manner
- Check your grades

## Going Above & Beyond

- Review & preview notes
- Attend tutoring
- Communicate with your teachers
- Take detailed notes
- Study nightly
- Keep a calendar
- Stay organized

# SERVICE HOURS

- Service hours are not mandatory.
- Use x2Vol to track hours for graduation service cord – need 180 approved hours.
- Guidelines are listed on the Walton Counseling website ([www.waltonhighcounseling.com/volunteer-service](http://www.waltonhighcounseling.com/volunteer-service))
- Service hours are due at the end of each school year.
- Deadline for freshmen is May 15, 2023.
- Questions? See Dr. England in the College Corner.



Home Information College Corner Documents Presentations Quick Links

Course Registration  
Dual Enrollment  
FAQ  
Graduation & Grade Promotion Requirements  
How to Update ParentVue Portal  
Naviance  
New Student Registration  
Online Course Information  
School Profile 2021-22  
Senior Recommendation Packet  
Volunteer Service Recognition Program  
Walton A to Z  
X2Vol  
YouScience

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Counseling Department

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# NOW LET'S TALK ABOUT...

Naviance

Personality  
Assessment

Where will you be in  
10 years?

What type of career do  
you want?

# NAVIANCE

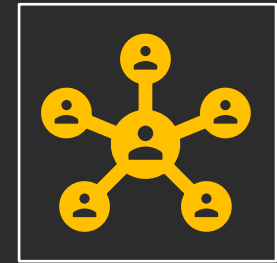


## College and career readiness system:

offering college planning and career assessment tools.



Delivery system – we send your transcript, letters of recommendation, school profile, etc. directly to the colleges



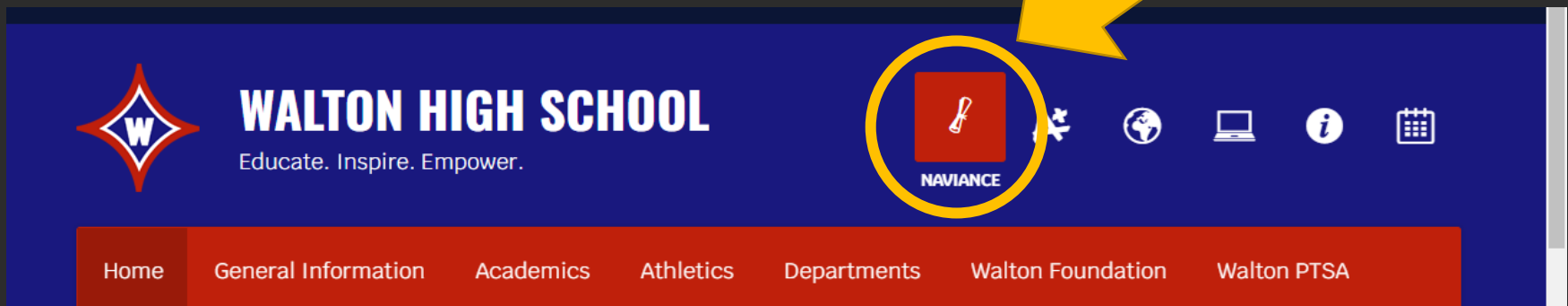
## Communication system

- with YOU and your parents throughout the year.



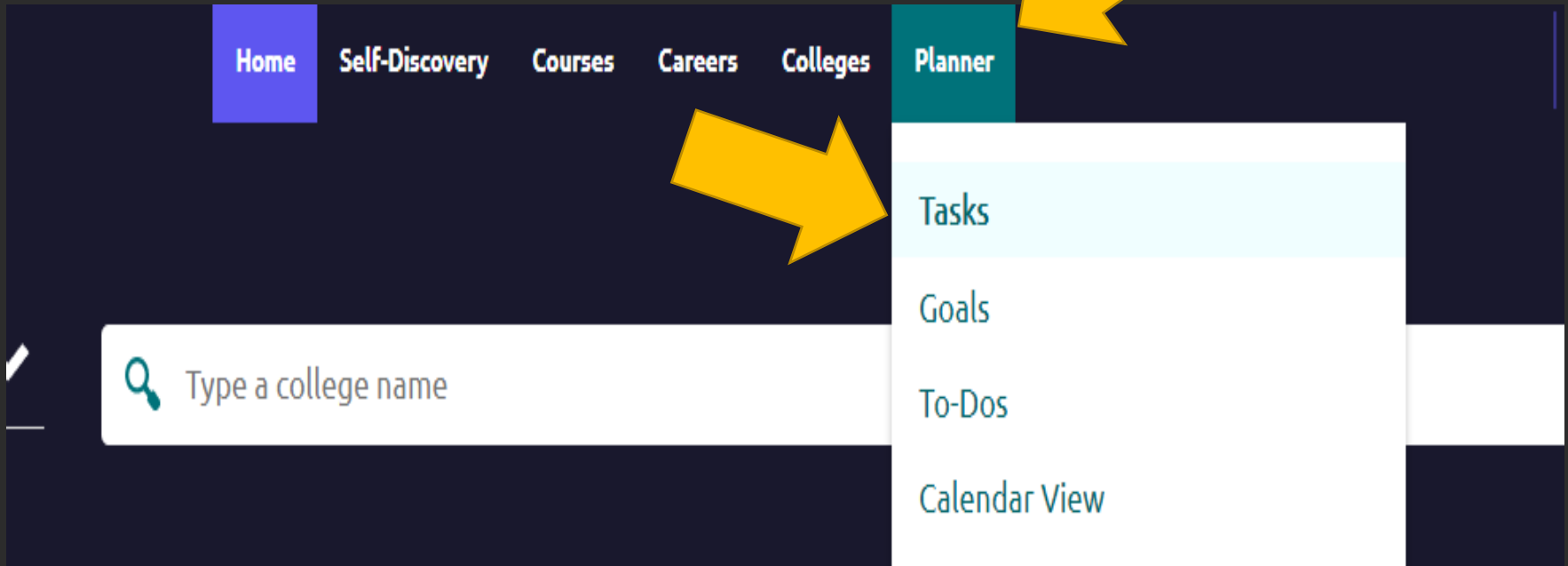
# LOGGING INTO NAVIANCE

- Go to:
  - Go to the Walton High School homepage at [www.waltonhigh.org](http://www.waltonhigh.org)
  - Look in the top right corner.
  - Click on the diploma icon that says Naviance.



# TASKS TO COMPLETE

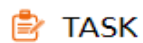
- Go to:
  1. Click on "Planner"
  2. Click "Tasks"



# ACHIEVEWORKS PERSONALITY TASK

1. Scroll down to "Tasks You Need to Work On"
2. Click "Complete AchieveWorks Personality"

## Tasks you Need to Work On



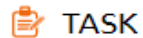
TASK

Complete AchieveWorks® Personality

No Due Date

Assigned by clarissa delgado

REQUIRED



TASK

9th Bridge Survey

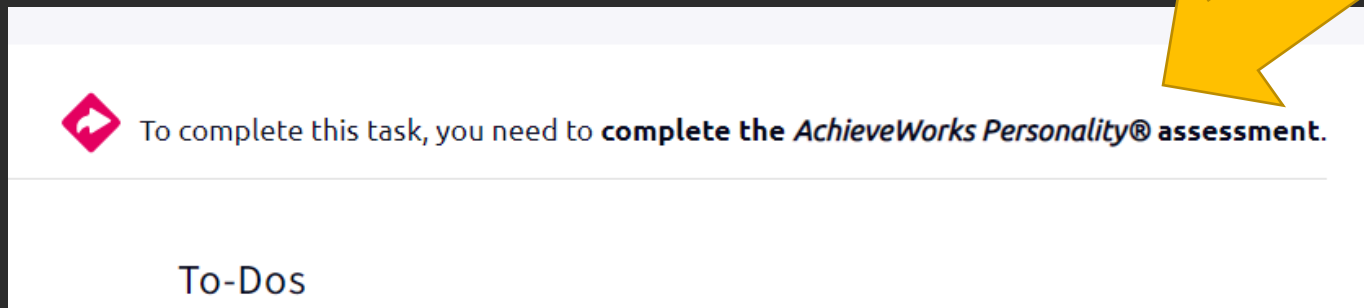
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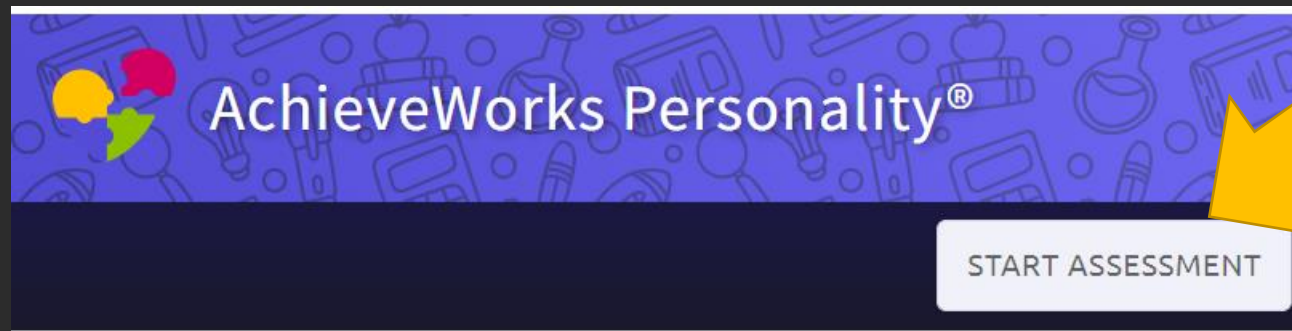
REQUIRED

# ACHIEVEWORKS PERSONALITY TASK

1. Click "Complete the AchieveWorks Personality Assessment" next to the pink arrow

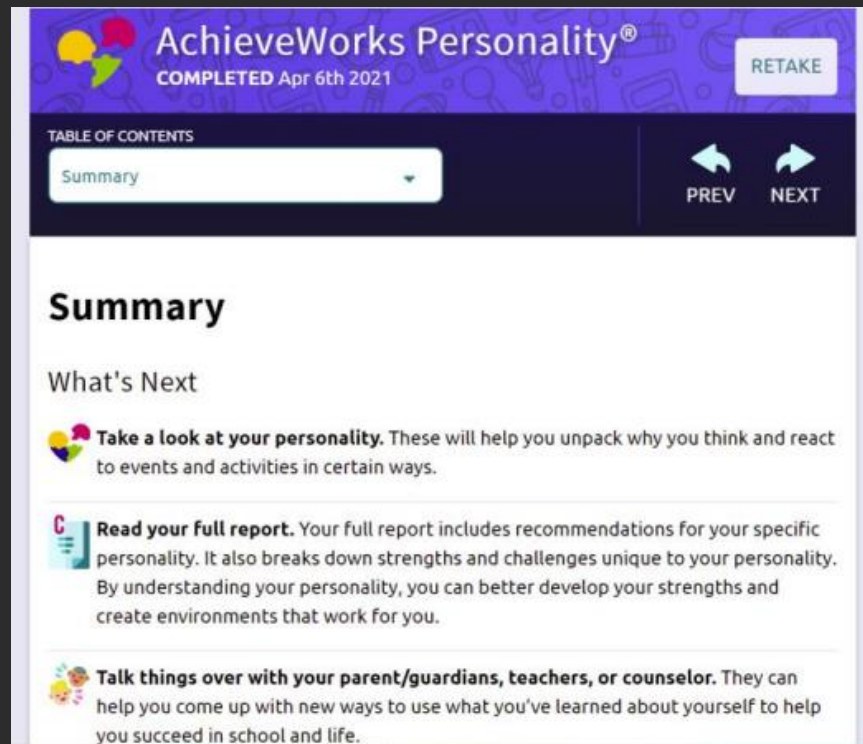


2. Click "Start Assessment"



# ACHIEVEWORKS PERSONALITY TASK

1. After completing the AchieveWorks Personality Task, you will receive a report about your personality.
2. Rate the accuracy of this profile.



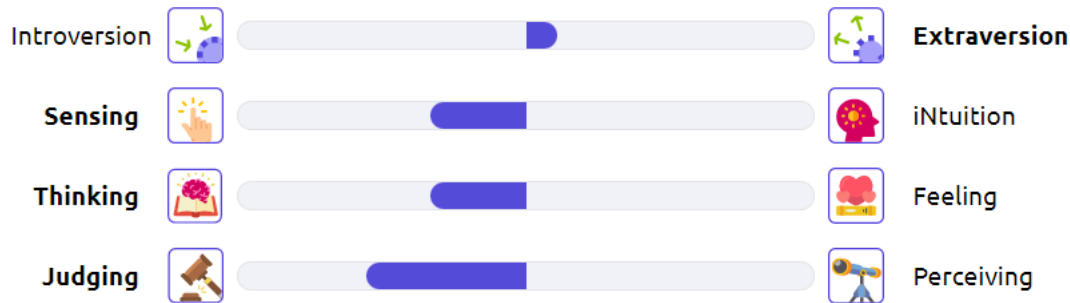
The screenshot shows the AchieveWorks Personality report interface. At the top, it says "AchieveWorks Personality®" and "COMPLETED Apr 6th 2021". There is a "RETAKE" button in the top right corner. Below this is a "TABLE OF CONTENTS" section with a dropdown menu currently set to "Summary". To the right of the dropdown are "PREV" and "NEXT" navigation buttons. The main content area is titled "Summary" and "What's Next". Under "What's Next", there are three items:

- Take a look at your personality.** These will help you unpack why you think and react to events and activities in certain ways.
- Read your full report.** Your full report includes recommendations for your specific personality. It also breaks down strengths and challenges unique to your personality. By understanding your personality, you can better develop your strengths and create environments that work for you.
- Talk things over with your parent/guardians, teachers, or counselor.** They can help you come up with new ways to use what you've learned about yourself to help you succeed in school and life.

# ACHIEVEWORKS PERSONALITY TASK




Review results related to your personality.

Your personality type is ESTJ



### Judging (J) vs. Perceiving (P)

More structured (finalize decisions) or more spontaneous (keep options open).

Judging    Perceiving

**Judging**

- Enjoy work that allows them to make decisions
- Prefer a predictable work pattern and environment
- Work towards completing their responsibilities before relaxing
- Like to maintain control of their projects

**Perceiving**

- Enjoy flexible and changing work situations
- Like to be able to respond to problems as they arise
- Are more satisfied with fewer rules and procedures
- Need to have fun in their work

## Learning

### Strengths

- Disciplined
- Analytical
- Learn well with others
- Team building
- Methodical
- Focused
- Good with facts, details, memorization

### Challenges

- Need practical application
- Need time to absorb learning material
- Need clear expectations
- Abstract or theoretical material
- Struggle with disorder, lack of structure

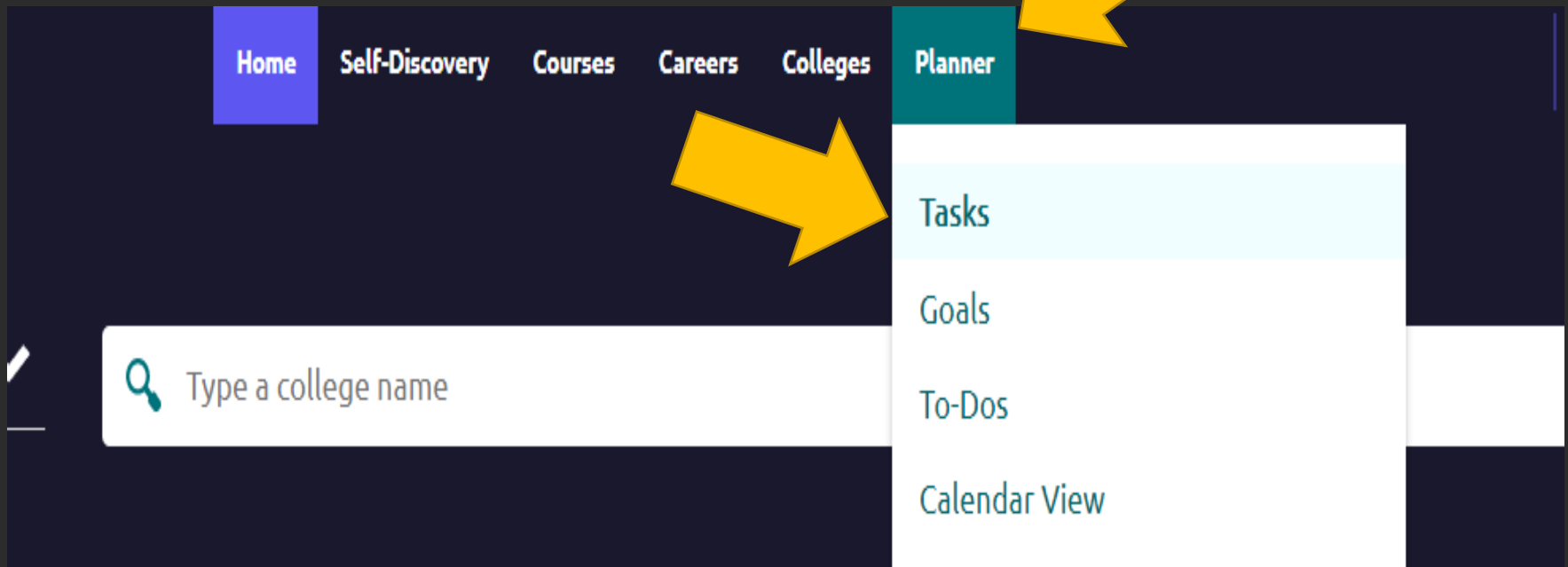
### Recommendations

The following recommendations are based on your results and the ones you think would work best for you.

### For Learning Activities

# NOW LET'S COMPLETE THE 9<sup>TH</sup> BRIDGE LAW SURVEY TASK

- Go to:
  1. Click on "Planner"
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# 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BRIDGE LAW SURVEY TASK

1. Scroll down to "Tasks You Need to Work On"
2. Click "9<sup>th</sup> Bridge Survey"

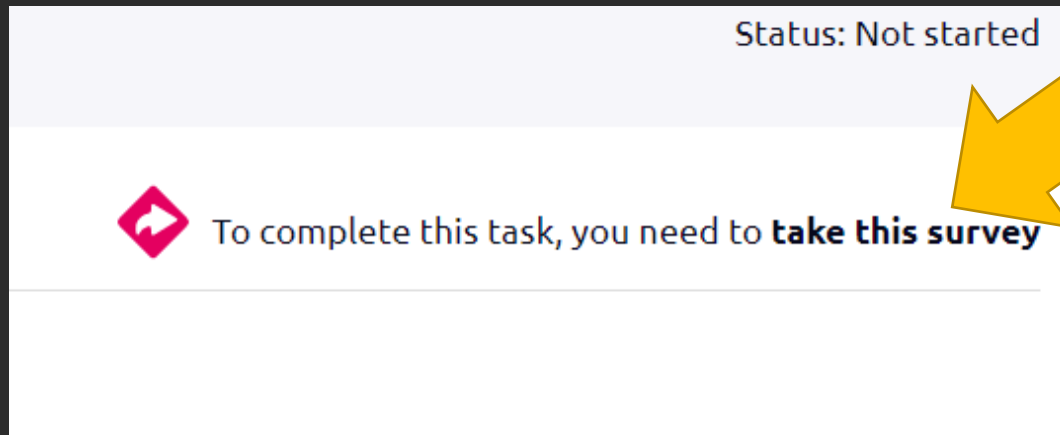
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# 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BRIDGE LAW SURVEY TASK

1. Click “Take This Survey” next to the pink arrow



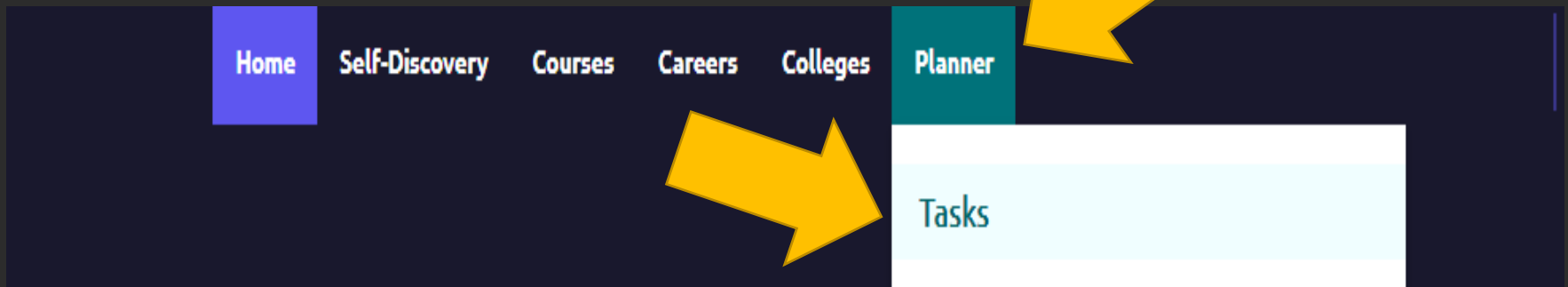
2. Complete the short survey

**DON'T LOG OFF!!!**

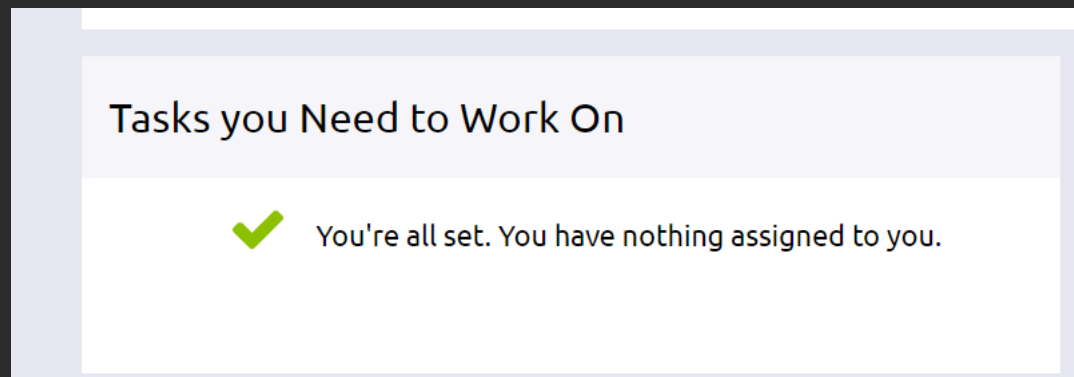


# COUNSELOR CHECK FOR COMPLETION

1. Click on "Planner"
2. Click "Tasks"



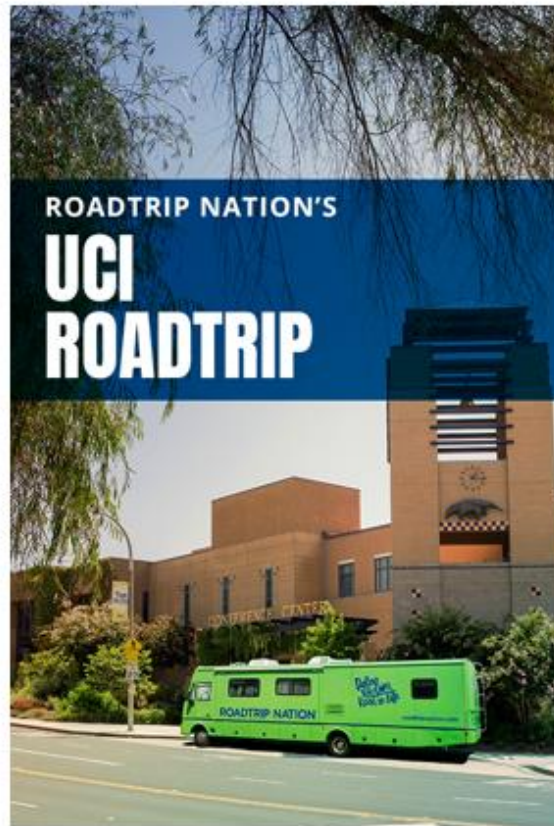
3. A counselor will verify you have completed both tasks.



# EXPLORING ROADTRIP NATION



**Small Town Tech**  
Yuma Tech Roadtrip



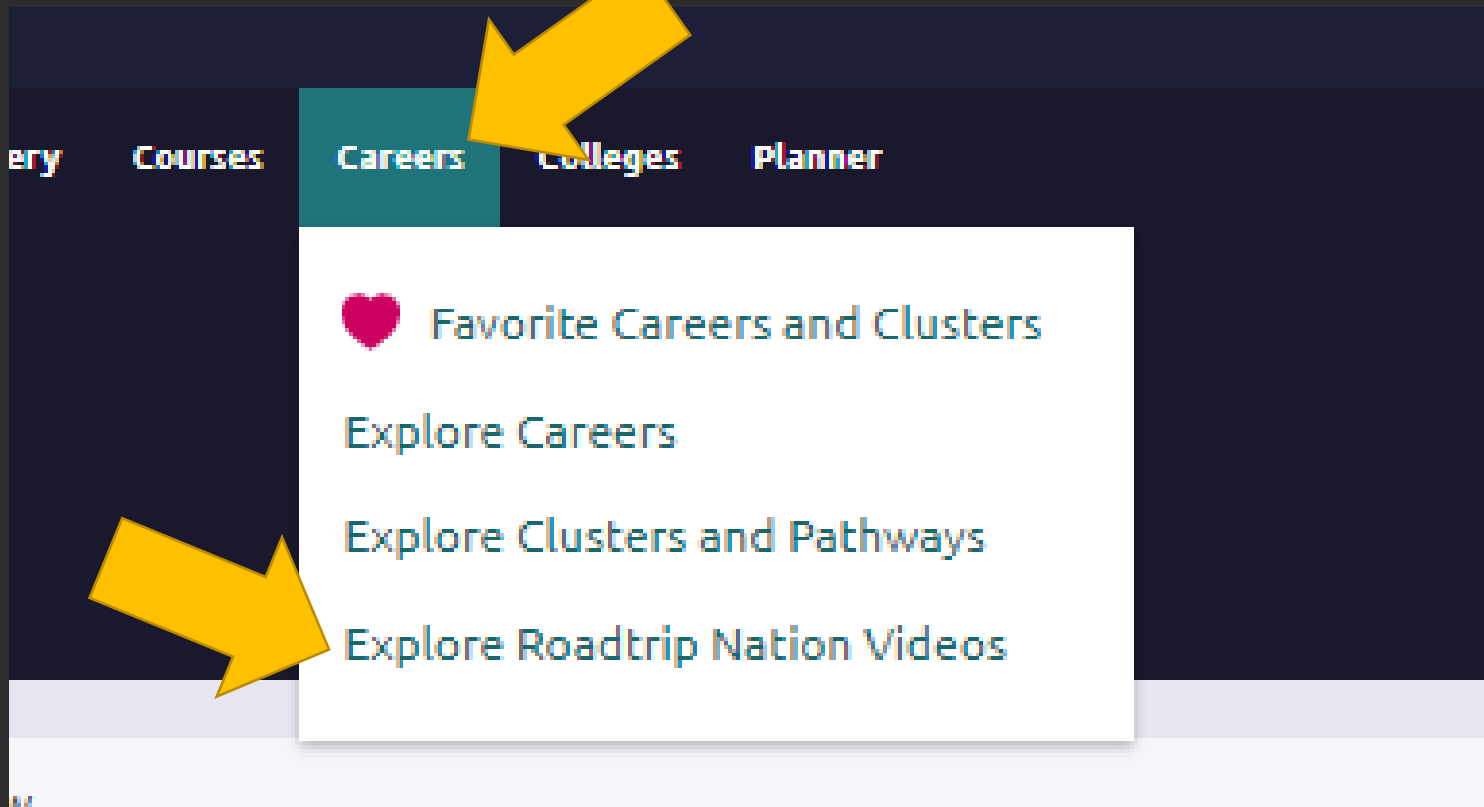
**UCI Roadtrip**



**Risk & Reward**  
Insurance Roadtrip

# ROADTRIP NATION

1. Click "Careers"
2. Click "Explore Roadtrip Nation Videos"



# ROADTRIP NATION

Watch short videos based on your interests, themes, or leaders.

The screenshot displays the Roadtrip Nation website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Explore', 'What's your road?', 'Interests', 'Themes', 'Leaders', and 'Playlists'. Below the navigation is a large banner image with the text 'WHAT'S YOUR ROAD?' and 'Start Here!'. To the right of the banner, there is a section titled 'What's in the Archive?' with the text: 'We've gone on 52 roadtrips and interviewed 1251 leaders creating 10333 videos on struggle, triumph, and self discovery that have been broken into 48 themes and 29 interests.' Below this text is a pink button labeled 'Find your road'. Underneath the banner is a section titled 'Recommended Leaders' featuring four leader profiles with their photos and brief descriptions. At the bottom, there is a section titled 'Search Leader Stories' with three options: 'By Interests', 'By Themes', and 'By Leaders'. Three large yellow arrows point from the 'Recommended Leaders' section to the 'By Interests', 'By Themes', and 'By Leaders' options respectively.

Explore What's your road? Interests Themes Leaders Playlists

What's in the Archive?

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First time here? Click on the Roadmap to watch more interviews with people whose interests are similar to your own.

Find your road

Recommended Leaders

ASA Flight Crew 5202  
First All Female, African-American Flight Crew  
Business Travel

Abelardo Morell  
Photographer/Professor  
Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
Art Education

AJ Rowland  
Aviation Mechanic  
Rowland Dusters  
Engineering Technology

Aaron Appelhans  
Sheriff  
Albany County Sheriff's Office  
Law Government

Search Leader Stories

By Interests  
Politics, Entrepreneurship, Education, Law, Action Sports

By Themes  
Exploration, Goals, Beliefs & Faith, Chance, Failure

By Leaders  
Michael Dell, Cillian Caldwell, Ben Zander, Dennis Muren, Ira Glass



# HAVE A WONDERFUL REST OF YOUR 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE YEAR!!!

The future belongs to  
those who believe in the  
beauty of their dreams.

Eleanor Roosevelt