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Senior Academy Summer Project

Coming into the Senior Academy your teachers want you to realize that this is your *FINAL* and *BEST* opportunity to get yourself back on track in order to *GRADUATE ON TIME*. We have created this summer project for you to understand what is needed for you to succeed beyond your high school years. Your teachers are here to help you succeed, but you *MUST* understand that the responsibility is on *YOU* to achieve your goals.

You are to type in Times New Roman, 12-point font, and double spaced a minimum 5 page report which includes the following:

Part I (25 points):

What are the benefits of going to college? How does not having a college degree limit your opportunities?

Part II (25 points):

What is the importance of the PSAT and SAT exams? How are they scored? What is it testing you on? What the scores used for? What are the advantages for doing well? How do you intend on preparing for the tests?

Part III (25 points):

Choose 3 career paths that you may be interested in pursuing after college. For each of these identify the skills/education necessary to pursue that career. Create a graph (examples: circle, bar, line) for the pay scale for each of the three career paths you choose.

Part IV (25 points):

Analyze your transcripts. What credits and regents exams do you need in order to graduate by June 2012? Using this information create a realistic action plan that will help you get into a college of your choice. In your report include 2 colleges and the requirements necessary for admission.

This project counts as 15% of your first marking period grade for *All* your classes.

