

PLAN YOUR PATH USING SMARTER BALANCED ASSESSMENTS AND THE HIGH SCHOOL AND BEYOND PLAN

With more than 700,000 job openings coming to Washington by 2021, you can choose the career pathway of your choice. A majority of these jobs will require a credential after high school. How can you make the most of your education before you graduate high school, so you're ready with the skills and knowledge for success? That's where the

Washington State K-12 Learning Standards and your High School and Beyond Plan come in. The standards provide clear, consistent guidelines for what you should know and be able to do, and your High School and Beyond Plan helps you define and plan your education and career goals.

SBA SMARTER BALANCED ASSESSMENT

The Smarter Balanced assessment system is aligned to the Washington State K-12 Learning Standards and administered in grades 3 - 8 and in high school. It measures your progress on those standards throughout the year to help ensure your success.

HS+BP HIGH SCHOOL AND BEYOND PLAN

The High School and Beyond Plan, a requirement for graduation, outlines the courses, exams, resume, and community or work-related experiences necessary to achieve your educational and career goals. It brings you together with parents, guardians, and educators, beginning in middle school, to develop your personalized pathway.

SBA Your **Smarter Balanced assessment** scores will fall into one of four levels. You will receive a score for math and a separate score for English. Whether you score 1, 2, 3, or 4, there is a pathway to success.



YOU'VE GOT THIS!

You have many options after high school, but it's going to take hard work and extra help to get there.



Stay focused! You can do this!
Meet with your counselor, and make sure to focus on areas of improvement.



Use your HS+BP and 10th grade SBA scores to get extra help, take additional classes, or both.



Transition courses
If you scored a 1 or 2, Bridge to College transition courses in math and/or English could help you prepare for education and training after high school. Check with your guidance counselor to see if these courses are offered at your school.



8TH GRADE



HS+BP Check-in

9TH GRADE



Check in regularly with your teachers, parents, and counselor to make sure you stick to your plan.



GREAT WORK!

You're on the college and career ready path!



Keep your parent(s)/guardian(s) in the loop.



Plan ahead!
Find out what rigorous classes you can take and which classes offer college credit.



11TH GRADE



HS+BP Check-in

12TH GRADE



HS+BP Check-in



Earn college credit!
Check out Running Start, Advanced Placement, or other dual-credit options to earn college credit starting in high school. These courses make it easier to transition into education and training after you graduate, and save more money down the road.



Apprenticeship



College or University



Professional / Technical Program



Military

