



How to Graduate High School + College Early

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RESEARCH PROGRAM

- Research program details & qualifications of the College you would like to attend in your state
- Complete the "Letter of Intent" to enroll by the necessary deadline (if applicable)
- Apply to your desired College (Check for application fees that may or may not be included)
- Complete the college placement exam to place you in the correct classes. (You may retake the exam at a later date for a better score)

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MEET COUNSELOR

- Meet with a high school & college counselor to begin scheduling for classes to receive dual credit.
- You might have to send the college syllabus to your high school counselor before they will approve the course for dual credit.

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MAKE A PLAN

- Make a plan to match up a majority of your required high school classes needed to graduate with a diploma and a college degree.
- Write out your schedule to help you know what to take each semester and allow you to move classes around without compromising your planned graduation date.



Step 4: Check In

- Every semester, check in with your high school and college counselor to schedule new courses.
- Continue to remind them on your plan to graduate and prepare accordingly.

Step 5: Meet The Requirements



- Finish the requirements at your high school including necessary internships and volunteer hours as it comes time to graduate.
- Take the SAT and/or ACT

Step 6: Apply To Transfer

- Begin applying to transfer colleges at least two semesters before you graduate for your continued undergraduate program.
- Update the new college you choose about your dual enrollment scenario.
- Keep your future school informed about when you will be able to send them proof of graduation & completed credits for a transfer credit evaluation.
- Also, let the university know that you are a freshman with junior standing because you could be eligible for more financial aid as a junior.
- If you are starting work after graduation, make sure to apply for jobs & interview early.

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Confirm Graduation

- Confirm with both counselors that you have met the requirements to graduate.
- The principal of your high school may have to receive approval for you to graduate early and/or in the middle of the school year.

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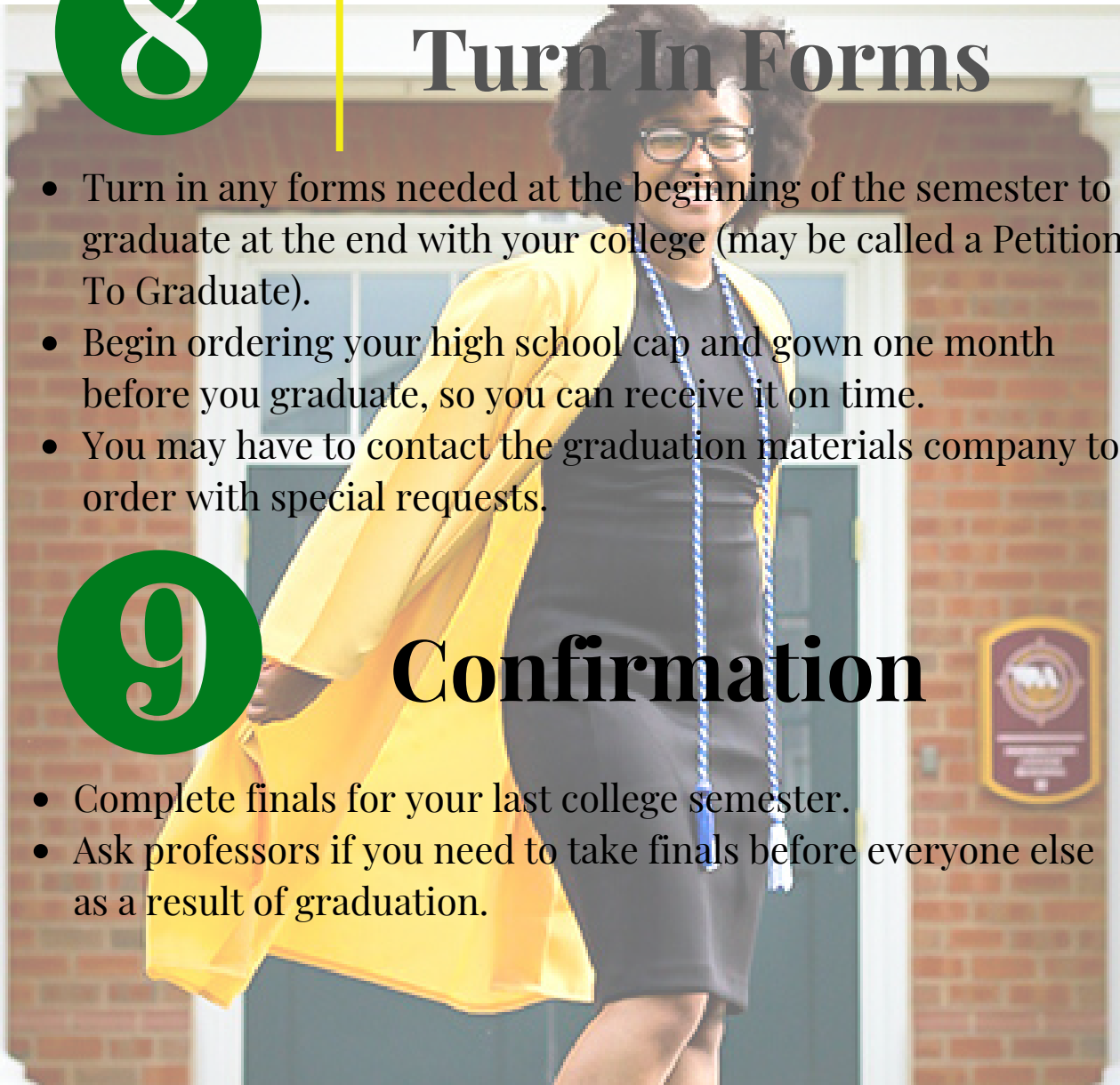
Turn In Forms

- Turn in any forms needed at the beginning of the semester to graduate at the end with your college (may be called a Petition To Graduate).
- Begin ordering your high school cap and gown one month before you graduate, so you can receive it on time.
- You may have to contact the graduation materials company to order with special requests.

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Confirmation

- Complete finals for your last college semester.
- Ask professors if you need to take finals before everyone else as a result of graduation.





Step 10: Celebration

- The high school should present you your high school diploma if you graduate in the middle of the school year.
- You can also walk across the stage with an early or later class.
- I encourage you to at least walk across the stage for college because it is a great honor & you could be featured for your accomplishment.



As a high school and college graduate at 16 years, here is a 10 step guide to do the same. This is your roadmap to achieve financial freedom.



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