

Our tool: **xello**

In alignment with the mission of Vancouver Public Schools, and Washington State’s graduation requirements, the High School and Beyond Plan is a requirement for all graduates and includes five components.

1. The activities in **Xello** encourage students to explore their learning styles, abilities and career and education interests; set goals relative to their future; and compile school and community involvement throughout sixth through 12th grades in an electronic portfolio. Requirements are outlined below:

Grade Level	Required Lesson(s)	Required Assignment(s)
6 th Grade	Interests	
7 th Grade	Exploring Learning Styles (Learning Style Quiz) College Bound Scholarship	
8 th Grade	Skills Exploring Career Matches (Matchmaker Quiz) College Bound Scholarship	4 Year Plan
9 th Grade	Getting Experience	4 Year Plan (update)
10 th Grade	Workplace Skills and Attitudes	4 Year Plan (update)
11 th Grade	Choosing a College or University Goals & Plans	Resume, 4 Year Plan (update)
12 th Grade	Job Interviews Goals & Plans Financial Aid	

2. The **course planner** in Xello allows students to develop a four-year plan of high school courses aligned with their career and post-secondary plans and is the vehicle by which students will forecast for next year’s classes. The plan is developed in eighth grade and reviewed annually by students in cooperation with counselors, career specialists and parents.
 - This plan outlines equivalency credit opportunities, Personalized Pathway options
3. The **resume** will prepare students for a successful transition to work and other post-high school opportunities. (Completed in 11th Grade English)
4. The **budget** will be completed as part of a financial literacy unit of instruction in the classroom designed to increase awareness of important financial information and skill-building for life-readiness. (Completed in 12th grade Social Studies)
5. To incorporate the **family connection**, students will be given the opportunity to share the components of their High School and Beyond Plan annually with parents as part of the student-led conferences. Students can share their profile with parents from the top right corner of their Xello account.

