**AF AHS Pre-College Scholar/Parent “To Do” List**

***Top five things parents/scholars should address at least two weeks before their pre-college programs:***

1. **Submit required forms/documentation**
It’s important that you carefully check your program website to make sure that you have sent in all of the required forms for your programs. Medical forms, dorm forms, class selection forms—the website will be totally clear in what you need to do! It is also crucial that you continue to check your e-mail and be responsive to your program. If you are unsure about how to respond, please feel free to forward the e-mail to Ms. Holland so she can help.
2. **Create a transportation plan**
Transportation can be really stressful if left to the last minute. Please take time (if you haven’t already!) to discuss a transportation plan for your scholar to get to and from the program. Carpooling is a really excellent way to alleviate transportation issues—talk amongst the people at your table!
3. **Check the program website for a packing list**
Again, it is imperative that you read through your program website carefully! There are scholars coming from all over the country, and they are prepared to answer questions and help people come to their program as prepared as possible.
4. **Have a family conversation about spending money**We have already taken care of the majority of tuition for all of the programs—between scholarships and the AFAHS contribution, that is all set! Any additional expenses (namely, spending money) will need to be handled by the family. Sit down and have a talk about what your scholar will reasonably need in terms of extra money. Scholars do get a little down time where they can go out to dinner, see a movie, etc. We want to make sure scholars are able to participate in fun activities with their new friends!
5. **Discuss a scholar support plan**It is really hard to be away from home for any extended period of time. It’s helpful to establish times that you and your scholar will connect—perhaps via video chat, phone? Sometimes it can make scholars feel more at ease knowing they will have contact from home on a daily basis.