

## Graduation Requirement

The High School and Beyond Plan is a graduation requirement for all Yelm High School students. The good news is that students have an opportunity to **earn high school elective credit** through the completion of their High School and Beyond Plan.

## Career Cruising

Students will complete tasks and upload final assignments to their portfolio on the Career Cruising website. Career Cruising is an internet-based career exploration and planning tool to explore career and college options and to develop a career plan. Students can access their YHS Career Cruising account by following these steps:

1. Go to [www.ycs.wednet.edu](http://www.ycs.wednet.edu)
2. Choose Yelm High School
3. Go to Counseling Center
4. Click on Career Center
5. Go to Career Cruising Log-in



## YCS Counseling Mission Statement

The Mission of the Yelm Community Schools (YCS) Counseling Program is to prepare each student to reach their academic, career, and social-emotional potential; ensuring equitable access to education and promoting lifelong learning for all students. The YCS Counseling Department supports every student by building collaborative relationships with parents, family, staff, and community members to create foundations for students to achieve their full learning potential.

### Counseling Phone Number

360-458-6234



# YHS: High School & Beyond Plan



*Each student on a path to graduation, continuing education and work.*

## YHS School Counseling



9th-12th Grade Requirement

## WHAT IS THE HIGH SCHOOL & BEYOND PLAN?

*The High School and Beyond Plan revolves around three questions: Who am I?, What aligns with who I am?, and How do I access that career? The High School & Beyond Plan is a graduation requirement that helps students connect meaningfully to high school and think about their future. Students will work with English teachers, School Counselors and Tornado Time advisors to create their plan throughout high school and revise it annually to accommodate changing interests or postsecondary goals. Their postsecondary plan may include pathways for application to four-year colleges or universities, two-year community or technical colleges, apprenticeship programs, industry standard certificate programs, military training, or on-the-job training.*

**HSBP Website:**

[www.ycs.wednet.edu/Page/1490](http://www.ycs.wednet.edu/Page/1490)



## 9th Grade

### Theme: Explore

*Who am I as a High School Student?*

Activities taught through **English** courses:

- SMART Goal: Social and Academic
- Time Management/Organization
- High School Beyond Plan Essay
- Social Emotional Learning
- Student-Led Conference
- End of Year Reflection
- Ready for 10th Grade

#### Career Cruising/Counselor Components:

- Credit Check
- Assessments
- Learning Styles Inventory
- Career Matchmaker/Skills
- 4-Year Planning
- Registration
- Activities/Experience

## 11th Grade

### Theme: Action

*What is my Plan of Action for Post-Secondary?*

Activities taught through **English** courses:

- SMART Goal: Social and Academic
- High School Beyond Plan Essay
- Student-Led Conference
- HSBP: College Essay
- End of Year Reflection
- Ready for 12th Grade

#### Career Cruising/Counselor Components:

- Credit Check
- Assessments
- School Selector + My Saved Schools
- Post Secondary Research
- Job Shadow (2020-21)
- 4-Year Planning
- Registration
- Budget/Financial Aid
- Activities/Experience

## 10th Grade

### Theme: Discover

*What Career Aligns with my Interests/Strengths?*

Activities taught through **English** courses:

- SMART Goal: Social and Academic
- High School Beyond Plan Essay
- Social Emotional Learning
- Student-Led Conference
- Resume
- End of Year Reflection
- Ready for 11th Grade

#### Career Cruising/Counselor Components:

- Credit Check
- Assessments
- My Saved Careers/Clusters
- PSAT
- Registration
- Post Secondary Site Visit (2020-21)
- Activities/Experience

**.5 Credit Earned in 10th upon completion of 9th/10th**

## 12th Grade

### Theme: Commit

*How do I Implement my Plan?*

Activities taught through **English** courses:

- SMART Goal: Social and Academic
- High School Beyond Plan Essay
- College Application/Essay
- Updated Resume/Cover Letter
- Senior Presentation

#### Career Cruising/Counselor Components:

- Credit Check
- Assessments
- Senior Class Meeting
- Financial Aid Selector/Scholarships
- FAFSA/WAFSA
- Senior Parent Night
- College Signing Day

**.5 Credit Earned in 12th upon completion of 11th/12th**