



## What is AzCIS? How can I use it?

The AzCIS instruments and tools can be used in any grade level and can be used in so many ways. Students can explore information on:

- Occupations, education and financial aid opportunities
- Take self-assessments to help discover strengths and gifts
- Students can create a high school portfolio to save information
- Search for careers that best fit their strengths
- Create a resume

Check out the 9th-12th Grade AzCIS Checklists attached

To create a profile log onto:

[www.azcis.intocareers.org](http://www.azcis.intocareers.org)

**Username: nwcs**

**Password: 2viewazcis**



*Happy Thanksgiving! So much to be thankful for!*

## Scholarship Spotlight: [StudentScholarships.org](http://StudentScholarships.org)

(In the StudentScholarships.org search engine type the following scholarship names)

- Points Scholarships: \$10,000: Students wanting to enroll in a U.S. college/university
- SP Scholarships: \$10,000: Students wanting to enroll in a U.S. college/university
- Elke Most Valuable Scholarship: \$50,000-Students who are U.S. citizens
- Sixt Scholars: \$5,000-Students graduating in the academic year 2016-2017
- National Space Club Scholarships: \$10,000-Students interested in the STEM fields
- Barbara Lotze Scholarships for Future Teachers: \$2,000-Students pursuing teaching HS physics

**(StudentScholarships.org is a scholarship organization based out of D.C.)**

### **Ronald McDonald Scholarship:**

Ronald McDonald's House Charities U.S. Scholarship Program seeks to invest in students who are exemplary role models in their communities and have initiative to fulfill their educational goals. Apply for a scholarship at:

<http://aim.apply1STS.net/RMHC>

### **November Events: (@NCS & Local)**

- 11/14: FIDM Lunch Visit -Fashion Institute
- 11/15 Boise Bible College Lunch Visit
- 11/15: University Night-6:30-7:30
- 11/17: ARMY Lunch Visit
- 11/29: PVCC Lunch Visit
- 12/3: Portfolio Day-Mesa Comm. College

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade AzCIS Checklist

### AzCIS Checklist (college/career planning)

- Set up “My Career Planning Portfolio” if haven’t done so in 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Create high school course plan if haven’t done so in 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Complete interest inventory

### Academic Goals

- Plan high school courses
- Do they meet your high school graduation requirements?
- Record any awards or achievements you have gotten during this school year.

### Career Goals

- Take an interest survey or career assessment and record results in your ECAP portfolio
- Write your career goal down. What educational requirements will you need to meet that career option?
- Start developing your resume
- Attend a career fair

### Postsecondary Planning

- Write down your post high school educational or career goal.
- Are you planning to take a college readiness test? What do you need to do to prepare?
- Review two colleges\* that meet your post high school goals. Save your results. (\*description )
- Do a review of costs for those two colleges. Write your findings in your ECAP portfolio.
- Learn college and career vocabulary

### Extracurricular Activities

- Document in your ECAP portfolio any club, sports, Fine and Performing Arts, community service, work experiences, including summer experiences.
- Document any leadership experiences you have been involved in.

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade AzCIS Checklist

### AzCIS checklist (college/career planning)

- In-dept self reflection activity
- Identify work values and linked careers
- Update course plans

### Academic Goals

- Plan your high school courses
- Do they meet your HS graduation requirements?
- Record any awards or achievements you have gotten during this school year.

### Career Goals

- Take an interest survey or career assessment and record your results in your ECAP portfolio
- Write your career goal down. What educational requirements will you need to meet that career option?
- Review and update your resume
- Attend a career fair

### Postsecondary Planning

- Write down your post high school educational or career goal.
- Take a college readiness test. Review the results and write down your thoughts in your ECAP portfolio.
- Review two colleges\* that meet your post high school goals. Save your results. (\*description )
- Do a review of costs for those two colleges. Write your findings in your ECAP portfolio.
- Learn college and career vocabulary
- Attend a college fair

### Extracurricular Activities

- Document in your ECAP portfolio any club, sports, Fine and Performing Arts, community service, work experiences, including summer experiences.
- Document any leadership experiences you have been involved in.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade AzCIS Checklist

### **AzCIS Checklist (college/career planning):**

- Complete interest inventory and career sort to link preferences to occupations
- Evaluate occupation and education options
- Begin college planning and evaluate costs

### **Academic Plan**

- Review your high school courses
- Do they meet your high school graduation requirements? Have you passed your AIMS tests?
- Write a post high school goal aligned to your career interests.
- Record any awards or achievements you have gotten during this school year.
- Take the SAT or ACT tests and record your test results.

### **Career Plan**

- Take an interest survey or career assessment and record your results in your ECAP portfolio
- Review your career goal. What educational requirements will you need to meet that career option?
- Review and update your resume.
- Attend a career fair.

### **Postsecondary Planning**

- Review your post high school educational or career goal. Is this still what you want to do after high school?
- Review two colleges that meet your post high school goals. Save your results.
- Do a review of costs for those two schools. Write your findings in your ECAP portfolio
- What are the admissions requirements and applications? When should you apply?
- Create a financial plan for meeting college costs.

### **Extracurricular Activities**

- Document in your ECAP portfolio any club, sports, Fine and Performing Arts, community service, work experiences, including summer experiences.

## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade AzCIS Checklist

### AzCIS Checklist (college/career planning):

- Explore scholarships and other financial aid awards
- Learn about skills and accomplishments and identify occupations using preferred skills
- Establish post-secondary plans
- Consider the military as an option
- Make financial plans

### Academic Plans

- Review your high school graduation requirements, including AIMS. Are you missing anything?
- Review your Postsecondary plans from last year. Are they still aligned to your career interests?
- Record any awards or achievements you have gotten during this school year.
- Do you need to re-take ACT or SAT? Do you need to take AP exams? When do you take them?

### Career Plans

- Review the career assessments results you have taken. Do they still align to your interests?
- Review your career goal. What educational requirements will you need to meet that career option?
- Review and finalize your resume.
- Attend a career fair.

### Postsecondary Planning

- Review your post high school educational or career goal. Is this still what you want to do after high school?
- Review two higher education institutions that meet your post high school goals. Save your results.
- Do a review of costs for those two schools. Review your financial plan for meeting college costs.
- Have you applied for Financial aid including the FASFA? Write your findings in your ECAP portfolio
- What are the admissions requirements and application deadlines? When should you apply?
- Request letters of recommendation, if needed for college or a job
- Attend a college fair
- Make plans to tour the colleges you would like to attend.

### Extracurricular Activities

- Document in your ECAP portfolio any club, sports, Fine and Performing Arts, community service, work experiences, including summer experiences.
- Document any leadership experiences you have been involved in.