

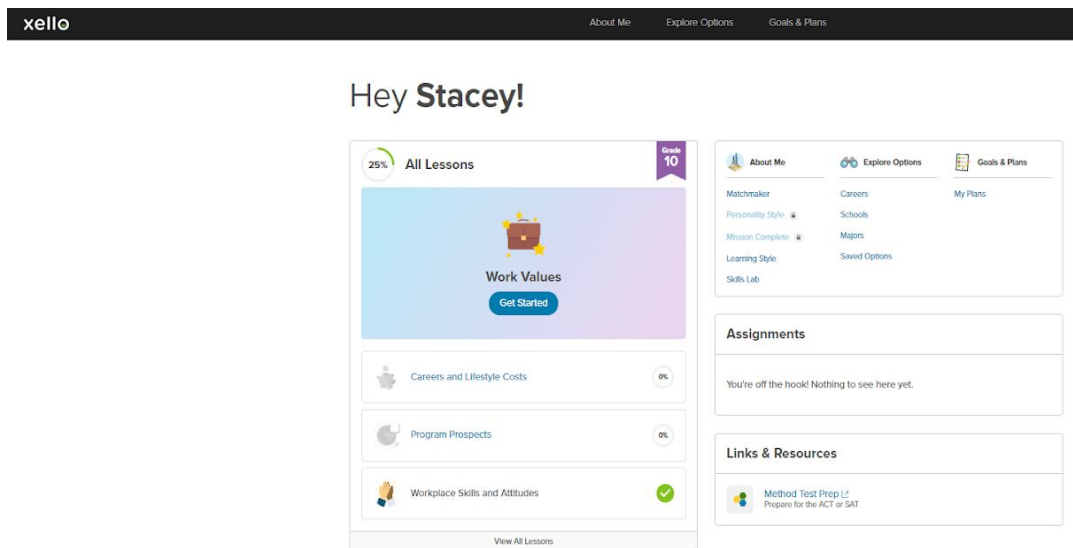
**NO MATTER WHAT YOUR PLAN IS FOR AFTER GRADUATION,
HERE ARE SOME TIPS TO KEEP YOU ON TRACK WITH YOUR GOALS...**

SOPHOMORES SHOULD PLAN TO:

- ❑ Continue taking challenging classes and courses that have alignment to the goals you have for the future.
- ❑ Try new classes and extracurricular activities - explore interests!
- ❑ Consider taking the optional PSAT Exam in October. Cost is \$17.
- ❑ Think about how your skills and interests might lead you toward possible career paths.
- ❑ Complete a job shadow.
- ❑ Develop good study habits and time management skills. If you need help, ask a teacher or other trusted adult.
- ❑ Work with your school counselor to create a yearly schedule and **ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLAN** for meeting graduation requirements and planning for after graduation.
- ❑ Log into **XELLO** (through our school website) and start building a plan for after graduation!
 - ❑ What's **XELLO**? **XELLO** is a new program that helps students plan their own unique journey whether it involves a trade, college, university, entrepreneurship, or other training. Every student at IGHS has an account!
- ❑ If you are thinking about going to **COLLEGE** (university or technical college) after high school, start exploring college options and thinking about the colleges you might want to attend. Once you have narrowed down the list of postsecondary schools in which you are interested, consider taking a tour of the campuses. It's never too early!
 - ❑ Talk to the school counselor about taking Transcribed Credit courses, AP courses, or early college credit courses.
- ❑ If you are thinking about enlisting in the **MILITARY** after high school, you can talk with a recruiter when they visit IGHS! You should also talk with Mom/Dad/Guardian about this as well.
- ❑ If you are thinking about going into the **WORKFORCE** after high school you should start connecting with our career and technical education teachers, set up job interviews, and think about getting your first job.
- ❑ Attend college, career, and military information events at IGHS and beyond IGHS. You can meet with military recruiters, colleges, and employers we host at school, during the school day, or on your own.
- ❑ Get involved with school-based, community-based, and leadership-oriented activities and then keep a running list of your accomplishments, awards, and recognitions to use in preparing college applications, scholarships, and resumes. You can easily keep track of all of this in **XELLO**!

LOGGING INTO XELLO:

1. Go to <https://www.igs.k12.wi.us/>
2. Click on For Students.
3. Click on Academic and Career Planning.
4. Click on Xello.
5. Click on your Google account and you will automatically be logged in.
6. Once you are in Xello, you can begin exploring careers, colleges, take interest inventories, record
7. extracurriculars, awards, volunteer hours, and start creating plans for your future and so much more!



SOPHOMORES - EXPLORE XELLO

<p>ABOUT ME</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on ABOUT ME • Complete the Matchmaker and/or Matchmaker Mission Complete questions. • Add 3 volunteer experiences in the EXPERIENCES Timeline (Work, Volunteer, Education, and/or Life) • Complete the LEARNING STYLE quiz and SKILLS LAB questions. • Create a professional resume using RESUME BUILDER. • Save interesting and helpful resources to help bring plans to life in STORYBOARD.
<p>EXPLORE OPTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on EXPLORE OPTIONS. • Choose career profiles of interest and then look through the EARNINGS and SAMPLE CAREER PATH sections of those profiles. • Review saved careers, update list and further investigate preferred careers. • Explore schools and majors, experiment with the filters to see how different factions affect the options. • Save schools and majors of interest.

GOALS AND PLANS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on GOALS AND PLANS. • Revisit and revise four-year course plan prior to registering for junior year courses (consider AP, Transcribed, or Advanced courses).
LESSONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Values • Careers and Lifestyle Costs • Workplace Skills and Attitudes • Program Prospects

OTHER ACADEMIC AND CAREER TOPICS EMBEDDED THROUGHOUT CURRICULUM

SELF-AWARENESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACT Aspire Exam • PSAT Exam (Optional - Cost \$17)
CAREER EXPLORATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore and discuss careers in the Career and Technical Education programs - Agriculture Building and Trades, Business, and Technology. • Explore and discuss careers in the area of English and Foreign Language. • Explore and discuss careers in the area of Leadership, Fitness, and Health. • Explore and discuss careers in the area of Science, Mathematics, and Social Studies. • Explore and discuss careers in the area of Art and Music. • Participate in class field trips and interact with guest speakers. • Tour EPIC. • Participate in IGHS Spring Career Fair. • Attend military information events. • Participate in a Job Shadow Day.
EDUCATION PLANNING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend College, University, and Technical College Admission Rep Visits at IGHS. • Tour Madison College. • Discussion in the areas of Career and Technical Education courses (Agriculture, Business, and Tech Ed) about Transcribed credits. • Discussion in the areas of English, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies on college requirements and what AP scores transfer as. • Learn about the Youth Apprenticeship and Work Release options.
FINANCIAL LITERACY AND LIFE SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in Mini Business World.