



# Summer Focus by Grade:

## A Purposeful High School Roadmap

A simple guide to help Muslim students use each summer intentionally — building skills, character, and direction over time.



### Rising Sophomore (Grade 10)

Focus: Exploration & Foundations

What to focus on:

- Explore interests through clubs, online courses, or light volunteering
- Build strong study habits and time management
- Try low-pressure programs (summer camps, short courses)
- Begin light, consistent community service

**Goal:**

**Discover what you enjoy and where your strengths may lie.**



### Rising Junior (Grade 11)

Focus: Skill-Building & Early Direction

What to focus on:

- Commit to 1–2 activities consistently
- Build tangible skills (writing, coding, research, leadership, etc.)
- Take on more responsibility in volunteering or school programs
- Explore enrichment aligned with academic interests

**Goal:**

**Begin shaping a coherent student profile through consistency.**



### Rising Senior (Grade 12)

Focus: Depth, Leadership & Impact

What to focus on:

- Step into leadership roles
- Pursue meaningful internships, research, or part-time work
- Lead or contribute to community impact projects
- Begin college list development and essay reflection

**Goal:**

**Demonstrate commitment, growth, and real-world impact.**



### Before College (Post-Graduation Summer)

Focus: Transition & Readiness

What to focus on:

- Finalize college decisions
- Prepare for scholarships and financial aid
- Build life skills (budgeting, time management, independence)
- Engage in purpose-based service or reflection.

**Goal:**

**Prepare for college life — not just college admission**