

# making DECISIONS

As a student about to enter high school, you will have many important decisions to make, such as “What Career Pathway should I choose?” “What classes should I take?” “Should I get involved in extracurricular activities?” “Do I need to improve my study habits to better prepare for the rigors of high school?” The following activity is designed to help you make these tough decisions so that you have a successful and enjoyable high school experience. The following paragraph will familiarize you with the decision-making process.

When you have a decision to make, you have **alternatives**, two or more things from which to choose. Each alternative has at least one **consequence**. In addition, some alternatives involve **risks**, or chances of loss or injury.

Complete the following decision-making chart using three decisions you will make during high school about your future.

The Decision (What should I do?)	Alternatives (Things I could do)	Consequences or Risks (If I do this, this will happen. Or, if I do this, this could happen)
1	1.	1.
	2.	2.
	3.	3.
2	1.	1.
	2.	2.
	3.	3.
3	1.	1.
	2.	2.
	3.	3.