

A close-up photograph of a yellow and black scientific calculator with a digital display showing '225/25 = 9' and '10000'. The calculator is resting on a worksheet filled with math problems involving right triangles and trigonometric functions like sine, cosine, and tangent. A large white number '9' is overlaid on the left side of the image, and a yellow checkmark is on the right side.

9TH GRADE

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit StepUpUtah.com

Get involved in your school and community.

- Volunteer in your community. Find volunteer opportunities with U Serve Utah (heritage.utah.gov/userveutah) and United Way 2-1-1 (uw.org/211/volunteer).
- Sign up for at least one school club or after school program. Talk to your school counselor or a teacher about what opportunities are available.

Explore college options.

- Read through the Utah College Directory at StepUpUtah.com to discover what colleges in Utah may be right for you.
- Talk with your parents, friends, and community members about their college experience and start thinking about what you want out of yours.

Do high school right.

- If you haven't already, sign up to be a StepUp Utah Scholar.
- Meet with your school counselor and develop a four-year high school plan.
- Sign up for the monthly StepUp newsletter at StepUpUtah.com/newsletter to get college preparation and scholarship tips.
- Review the Regents' Scholarship requirements at RegentsScholarship.org.

Learn about the different ways to pay for college.

- Read about the various ways to pay for college, including scholarships, grants, work-study, and student loans on StepUpUtah.com/paying-for-college.
- Make a plan to pay for college with your parents.
- Start to build a scholarship and college admissions resume to track your achievements. Use the scholarship toolkit at StepUpUtah.com/scholarship to get you started.
- With the help of an adult, open a college savings account. Learn more at my529.org. If you already have a saving account, contribute what you can to it.