

SENIOR YEAR:

FALL SEMESTER

AUGUST

- Continue to maintain positive grades. Colleges will ask for a midyear report at the end of the semester to evaluate your first semester grades.
- Continue to get involved within the school and community.
 - o Update your resume.
- SAT/ACT test dates are available throughout first semester. Register for a test date that will allow your new scores to be received by a university before the application deadline.
 - o Register for SAT Subject Tests if recommended or required by a university you are applying to.
- Begin completing your college applications.
- Request letters of recommendation from teachers and counselors as needed.
 - o Be sure to make the request at least two weeks in advance of the date the letter is needed by.
- Research and begin applying for private scholarships.

SEPTEMBER

- Complete your college admission essays.
- Make sure you are on track to meet your college application deadlines.
 - o Request to send transcripts and application fee waivers at least two weeks prior to any application deadlines.
- If you do not intend to enroll in college after high school graduation, meet with your counselor to discuss the steps necessary to carry out your post-secondary plan.

OCTOBER

- Submit a FAFSA (Available October 1st).
 - o Attend a FAFSA completion workshop for assistance.
- Submit a CSS PROFILE if required by a college you are applying to.
- Prepare to submit all application materials for any upcoming early action/early decision deadlines.

NOVEMBER

- Submit a FAFSA if you have not already done so.
- Prepare to submit all application materials prior to any upcoming regular decision deadlines.

DECEMBER

- Meet any upcoming application deadlines.
 - o Request to send any application materials that you need sent for any January deadlines (i.e. transcripts, fee waivers, letters of recommendation, etc...) at least two weeks before winter break begins.

SPRING SEMESTER

JANUARY

- Continue to meet any upcoming application deadlines.
- Send midyear report and transcript showing 7th semester grades to colleges that require it.

FEBRUARY/MARCH

- Keep an eye out for financial aid award letters from colleges you were accepted to, as they will be sent by colleges throughout the spring (mail, email, college portal).
 - o Ensure that all required documents are submitted when going through the financial aid verification process.

APRIL/MAY

- Choose the college you are going to commit to and submit all required information by the May 1st deadline.
 - o Follow instructions related to any required deposits, securing housing, attending open houses/orientation, taking college placement exams, etc...
 - o Request that your final transcript be sent to the college you plan to attend.