

High School SENIOR Calendar & Checklist

Summer Before Senior Year	September	October	November
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Review your post graduate plans and decide which path is right for you (if you need a plan, contact your Guidance Counselor). <input type="checkbox"/> Pathways include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - College or University - Vocational School - Career or Job - Military Career 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with admissions representatives who are visiting your school. <input type="checkbox"/> Visit the schools your are interested in. Call for campus tours. <input type="checkbox"/> Narrow your college list, review college applications & begin to apply for admissions. <input type="checkbox"/> Organize applications by creating files for each of your target schools. List all requirements and deadlines. <input type="checkbox"/> Ask your English teacher or Guidance Counselor to review your application essay. <input type="checkbox"/> Register for the college exams, SAT & ACT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Take SAT and/or ACT exams. <input type="checkbox"/> Submit your admissions applications (most applications are online) and notify your Guidance Counselor where your applied. <input type="checkbox"/> Attend college fairs. <input type="checkbox"/> Keep working hard all year. Grades can affect scholarship eligibility. <input type="checkbox"/> Request letters of recommendation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Take SAT and/or ACT exams. <input type="checkbox"/> If you have not done so, submit admissions applications (by Thanksgiving). <input type="checkbox"/> Visit fastweb.com to find scholarships. <input type="checkbox"/> Check out www.finaid.org to learn more about financial aid.
December	January	February	March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Visit Scholarship Center in the Guidance Office to look at outside funding options or scholarships. <input type="checkbox"/> Register for a PIN so you can complete and sign the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) forms online at www.pin.ed.org 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> File student & parent Federal tax returns as soon as possible and complete the FAFSA application online at www.fafsa.ed.gov (ASAP after January 1). <p>* Keep copies of all forms you submit.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Allow 4-5 weeks to process your FAFSA. <input type="checkbox"/> Check with your Guidance Counselor to be sure your mid-year transcripts have been sent to the schools you have applied to (forms are in the Guidance Office). <input type="checkbox"/> Watch the mail for college acceptance letters! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Watch for the Student Aid Report (which are the results of the FAFSA). <input type="checkbox"/> After March 1, go to crcfonline.org to apply for Community Foundation Scholarships. <input type="checkbox"/> You will be starting college before you know it! Start looking for a summer job.
April	May	June	July
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Watch for your college financial aid award letter. Remember to sign & return it. <input type="checkbox"/> By May 1, make your final college decision and notify the other schools that you will not be attending. <input type="checkbox"/> Watch for important deadlines at your college of choice (housing, financial aid, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Finalize summer school or summer job plans. <input type="checkbox"/> Contact the financial aid office to make certain that your application is complete. <p>*Most deposit deadlines are May 1st.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Notify the Guidance Office of where to send your final transcript. <input type="checkbox"/> Have a great summer! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Packets from the college should be arriving regarding registration for classes, campus events and organizations, and services available for students.