

Planning Calendar for Juniors

Mark your calendar with important dates and deadlines for the year. Be aware of application and financial aid deadlines for each of the schools that you are considering. Remember: every school has different deadlines and requirements. It is your job to know what they are and that you share those dates with Ms. Coleman.

Fall of your Junior Year

- Register for your PSATs in September/October in the guidance office.
- Get involved in the school! Clubs, athletics, community.
- Research colleges on www.collegeboard.org. Click on Big Future.
- Athletes: be sure you are familiar with NCAA requirements (speak to your coach about the reality of playing for a Division I or II college). Register at NCAA: www.eligibilitycenter.org.

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February of your Junior Year

- The SAT will be administered at Scituate High School on April 5, 2017 and will be free for all Juniors. Information about registration for the test will be forthcoming.
- See Ms. Coleman if you are in need of a fee-waiver for the SAT or college applications.
- Purchase/borrow an SAT review book.
- Practice for the SAT on www.satpractice.org and for the ACT on www.act.org.
- Look into the SAT IIs...do the schools that you are interested in require them?
- Research colleges using www.collegeboard.org. Click on Big Future.
- Use the library to research careers and career ideas – Mrs. Charon (the librarian) would love to help you too!
- Plan to visit colleges this spring – many colleges keep track of your “interest” as part of their file; you should also follow specific colleges “social media” arenas as well.
- Register to take your AP exams.

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March and April of your Junior Year

- Visit Colleges! Make appointments, get business cards, and send follow up thank you notes!
- Look for great summer opportunities - internships, volunteering, or a summer job.
- Consider taking summer courses at a college (see below).
- Build your portfolio or prepare your audition if you plan to apply to specialty schools.
- Request letters of recommendation from your teachers/advisors and follow-up with a written thank you.

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May and June of your Junior Year

- Take the SAT and/or ACT.
- Make an activity sheet (resume) of your accomplishments, activities, and work experiences.
- Keep in touch with college admissions counselors.
- Continue to visit college campuses.

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July and August before your Senior Year

- Try to narrow your list of colleges 5 - 8 schools now. I will be asking for your list in September!
- ♦Use the EFC calculator on each college's website to find out true cost of attendance.
- ♦Register with NCAA Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse if you plan to compete in Division I or Division II college sports.
- Be aware of college entrance exam test dates and deadlines!
- Register for October SAT!

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Counselor Initials: _____ Student Initials: _____ Date: _____