

## Junior Calendar

APRIL	MAY	JUNE/JULY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACT Testing</li> <li>• Plan an interesting and challenging summer.</li> <li>• Get into the databases (mailing lists of your target schools (via internet).</li> <li>• Attend college fairs.</li> <li>• Write letters of intent to the service academies if applicable (military).</li> <li>• College visits during Spring Break?</li> <li>• Think about financing college – will you need financial aid?</li> <li>• <b>READ!!!</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAT testing.</li> <li>• Students who will be applying to Early Decision or Early Action should try to complete all testing during junior year.</li> <li>• Don't forget to study for your high school finals!</li> <li>• Use Scholarship Search programs that might be available to you. (<i>No need to pay for this.</i>)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAT and ACT tests as desired.</li> <li>• Arrange college tours for summer. Call Admissions office of schools to set up tours and interviews.</li> <li>• Do something extra with your resume in mind.</li> <li>• Prep for ACTs/SATs and work on vocabulary – READ!!</li> <li>• Keep extra-curricular activity and community service efforts going.</li> <li>• Refine your college list.</li> <li>• Use your summer to start applications and/or essays at any schools you are certain to apply to.</li> </ul>

# Senior Calendar

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set up a file for each target school.</li> <li>Start applications.</li> <li>Attend all high school and college-related meetings.</li> <li>Meet with school/college counselor and ask questions.</li> <li>Identify all the application deadlines for your schools and fill out checklist.</li> <li>Get your school's CEEB code (DUBOURG CEEB = 262931) and have it handy along with your SS#.</li> <li>Finalize your resume.</li> <li>Register for Sept. or Oct ACT/SAT if needed.</li> <li>Ask teachers for letters of recommendation if your colleges want them.</li> <li>Request interviews at privates whenever they are available.</li> <li>Get a good senior picture, formal or informal.</li> <li>Print practice apps for your schools even if you will be doing them online.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Obtain and file FAFSA and CSS Profile forms ASAP after October 1 using last year's tax return.</li> <li>Attend BD FAFSA Frenzy.</li> <li>Attend Financial Aid Speaker.</li> <li>Take SAT/ACT as needed (register for Nov/Dec if needed.)</li> <li>Work on applications, submit these due by October or November 1.</li> <li>Think about essay topics. Brainstorm.</li> <li>Keep grades up. Senior grades count!</li> <li>Did you obtain all letters of recommendation needed?</li> <li>Decide about applying early decision (you can only do one!)</li> <li>If you're an athlete, talk to coach(es).</li> <li>Are any of your target schools visiting your high school?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend any workshops/meetings offered by your high school.</li> <li>Think about Financial Aid needs.</li> <li>Work on essays and applications, submit for Nov 15 or Dec 1 deadlines.</li> <li>Watch deadlines!</li> <li>Don't procrastinate with your applications! The earlier the better!</li> <li>Want to take the ACT/SAT one more time?</li> <li>Have your high school send transcripts to colleges that want them.</li> <li>Send thank you notes to anyone who helped you (letters of recommendation etc.). Be sure your SAT/ACT scores have been sent to all your colleges after your last test.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Usually last chance at the standardized tests.</li> <li>Study Hard! You can't afford to let your grades slip.</li> <li>Be sure to report your test scores to all your colleges.</li> <li>Use the internet to research scholarships.</li> <li>Finish any remaining applications! Proof them over and over.</li> <li>Have others read your essays to be sure they demonstrate something unique about you.</li> <li>Send your final resume with your application to your private schools.</li> <li>Think about financial aid needs and familiarize yourself with the forms.</li> <li>Keep copies of everything you send.</li> <li>If accepted Early Decision, inform other schools.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The last of the applications should be due this month for fall admission.</li> <li>Are your test scores sent?</li> <li>Transcripts sent as required?</li> <li>Letters of recommendation in?</li> <li>Be sure your FAFSA is filed. Everyone should do this regardless of need.</li> <li>Consider using CSS/PROFILE for aid of your college(s) takes it. (College Board website).</li> <li>You may need a GPA verification form for some state grants (research this).</li> <li>Attend financial aid workshops at your school or elsewhere.</li> <li>Research private scholarships via internet.</li> <li>Ask that mid-year transcripts be submitted to colleges that require it.</li> </ul>
FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE/JULY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finish financial aid forms (FAFSA-MO). Timing matters! Being late can cost you.</li> <li>You can estimate the financial aid you will receive.</li> <li>Pay attention to correspondence from colleges.</li> <li>Keep your grades up – offers can be rescinded!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAFSA form due 1<sup>st</sup>. <i>(Review the SAR you will receive to be sure it is using the right data.)</i></li> <li>Wait for acceptance letters. <i>(Pay attention to all forms and deadlines.)</i></li> <li>Consider appealing a rejection. <i>(If it was your first choice and you have a compelling reason for them to reconsider.)</i></li> <li>Notify your counselor when you receive college decisions and write waitlist letters if appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Congrats on all your acceptances – you must select a school by May 1.</li> <li>Final campus visits, if needed, to help make your decision.</li> <li>Talk to people who can help you decide: alumni, older friends who are there, parents, and your counselor.</li> <li>Review and discuss financial aid offers as part of your decision-making process. These can be appealed also.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Most of your schools must be notified by May 1 with an SIR form.</li> <li>Plan summer employment.</li> <li>Pay attention to housing and meal plan information contained in your acceptance letter(s).</li> <li>Inform the schools you will NOT be attending as well.</li> <li>If needed, research loans (PLUS, Stafford, etc.) to make up for any financial gap after aid results are known.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order final transcript and anything else to be sent to your college.</li> <li>If you were enrolled in Dual Credit classes, order transcripts from each College for each Course and send to your college.</li> <li>Consider computer needs for next fall.</li> <li>Attend all orientations at your college.</li> <li>Do some extra research on your college to think about what activities you will pursue.</li> <li>Respond to any financial aid offers you received.</li> <li>Keep READING!</li> <li>Have a great summer and look forward to the amazing adventure that awaits you!</li> </ul>