

Countdown to College Checklist

Grade 11- Fall

Less than 2 years to get ready for college!

- _ Take the most challenging coursework available
- _ Ensure your coursework meets HS graduation requirements AND college admission requirements
- _ Notify your counselor if you plan to participate in a Division I or II sport (NCAA requirements)
- _ Volunteer/participate in community service
- _ Continue working on study habits, organization, time management, and note-taking skills
- _ Demonstrate leadership and responsibility in community and school programs - get involved!
- _ Think about what criteria you are looking for in a college or university & consider possible schools
- _ Attend college fairs/meet with college representatives that visit the lunchroom
- _ Research college majors that correspond with your abilities and interests - career test on Naviance!
- _ Take the PSAT

Grade 11 - Spring

- _ Take the SAT and/or the ACT
- _ If schools you are considering require the SAT II (subject tests), take them sooner than later while the material is still fresh
- _ Begin researching sources of financial aid and scholarships you may be eligible for
- _ Create/update your resume and apply for summer job opportunities
- _ Begin asking teachers for letters of recommendation

Grade 11 - Summer

- _ If seeking athletic scholarships, make contact with coaches at your potential colleges
- _ If you plan on competing in D1 or D2 college sports, you must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center
- _ Visit the schools that interest you if you have not already done so