



Senior Year Calendar

Concentrate on the following items as you complete your last year in high school:



Month and Tasklist

Completed!

September

- Make an appointment to meet your guidance counselor _____
- Create an information file for each college on your list _____
- Get off to a good academic start _____

October

- Work on your college essays _____
- Plan college visit and interviews (remember to send a thank you letter to each college you visit) _____
- Attend a College Fair _____

November

- Pick up a financial aid form (FAFSA) from your guidance counselor or get information online _____
- NYS TAP will be processed by filing the FAFSA _____
- Submit secondary school/counselor evaluation forms _____
- Send at least one college application by Thanksgiving _____
- Keep college files up-to-date with information _____

December

- Finish all draft applications and essays - review with your guidance counselor, teacher or parent for accuracy and content _____
- Mail completed applications to colleges _____
- Ask teachers for recommendation letters (and provide them with envelopes) _____

January

- Attend a Financial Aid night at your High School _____
- Complete and file the FAFSA via mail or online _____
- Send college special talent documentation or information to better your chance of acceptance _____

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February

- Ensure that colleges you have applied to have received the results of your FAFSA and college board tests _____

March

- Watch your mail for college responses _____
- Send any new materials to colleges which may help their admissions decision _____
- Call HSBC for an education loan kit, or get the loan information and loan applications online _____

April

- Responses from colleges to which you've applied should have arrived _____
- Choose the college you wish to attend _____
- Write "Thanks, but I've selected a different college" letter to colleges you will not attend _____
- If you are on a waiting list, write a "pleading" letter and send any supporting material you can – ask teachers and coaches for assistance _____

May

- Take Advance Placement (AP) exams _____
- Complete dormitory forms, if necessary _____

June

- Graduation – Congratulations!!! _____
- Plan college skill building, if necessary _____

Summer

- Enjoy yourself – you deserve it! _____
- Participate in extra-curricular activities or volunteer activities _____
- Prepare yourself for college in August/September _____
- Sign up for internet banking to manage your finances _____