

JUNIOR COLLEGE PLANNING CALENDAR

- Keep grades high. (Junior year grades are the most recent grades that colleges will consider.
- Assume leadership roles in extracurricular activities at school and in the community.
- Continue building your file of activities and awards.
- Think about criteria you're looking for in a college.
- Visit colleges.
- Research college choices: www.collegesearch.collegeboard.com/search/index.jsp
- Begin making a list of colleges in which you're interested.

SEPTEMBER

- Find out and prepare for PSAT in October.
- Talk to College Placement Counselor about taking the SAT and/or ACT.

OCTOBER

- Take PSAT.

DECEMBER

- Receive results of PSAT. Talk to College Placement Counselor about scores.
- Talk to College Placement Counselor about taking the SAT and/or ACT.

JANUARY

- Look for scholarships that you may be eligible to receive. Check with your parents' employer and local religious and civic organizations.
- Talk with College Placement Counselor about availability and likelihood of scholarships and other financial assistance.
- Register to take SAT and/or ACT in the spring.
- Use an online Financial Aid Calculator to estimate your Expected Family Contribution for college.

FEBRUARY

- Meet with College Placement Counselor to begin preparing a list of colleges to explore and check on spring visit dates.

- Plan meaningful activities for the summer.

APRIL

- Keep grades up.
- Take SAT and/or ACT
- Continue to research colleges.

SUMMER

- Visit colleges.
- Continue to refine your college list.