

Junior College Planning Timeline

Fall

- ✓ Stay on track with grades and classes
- ✓ Take the PSAT
- ✓ Evaluate education options; go into fulltime employment, further education or training, or military career (if you want to attend a military academy, start NOW!)
- ✓ Make a college list; size, location, cost, majors, programs, etc.; make a preliminary list
- ✓ Gather college information
- ✓ Organize a testing plan; SAT, ACT, AP tests, make note of the dates and start to prepare

Winter

- ✓ Meet special requirements i.e. NCAA Clearinghouse, NAIA Eligibility
- ✓ Stay involved with extracurricular activities
- ✓ Organize college information
- ✓ Study for ACT, SAT
- ✓ Begin narrowing down college choices
- ✓ Talk to your family; let them know what your college, major, interests are so you can hear their concerns or suggestions
- ✓ Learn more about financial aid

Spring

- ✓ Prepare for a challenging senior year; stick with a schedule that will fit your future
- ✓ Start a scholarship search
- ✓ Contact recommendation letter writers
- ✓ Apply for a summer job or internship

Summer

- ✓ Visit colleges; Top 5 choices (this can also be carried into the fall of your senior year)
- ✓ Get advice from college students
- ✓ Organize financial aid material
- ✓ Start working on you application essays
- ✓ Make early decision preparations

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