




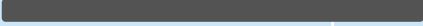








# College Application/eDocs Timeline

|  <b>Did you know?</b> Students who visit a highly selective college campus are up to 40% more likely to be accepted. | Spring of Junior Year   | Summer before Senior Year | Fall of Senior Year | Winter & Spring of Senior Year & Beyond |
|---|---|---------------------------|---------------------|---|
| <b>Visit College Campuses and Attend College Fairs</b>  | Ongoing<br>   |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Register &amp; Study for SAT</b>   | <b>2022-2023 SAT test dates</b> <a href="#">Register for SAT</a><br>5/7/22, 6/4/22, 8/27/22, 10/1/22, 11/5/22, 12/3/22, 3/11/23, 5/6/23, 6/3/23<br>   |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Register &amp; Study for ACT</b>   | <b>2022-2023 ACT test dates</b> <a href="#">Register for ACT</a><br>6/11/22, 7/16/22, 9/10/22, 10/22/22, 12/10/22, 2/11/23, 4/15/23, 6/10/23, 7/15/23<br>   |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Finalize College List</b><br>3 reach, 3 target, 3 likely   | Use Naviance college research tools to identify colleges that are the best match & fit.<br>   |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Apply to College</b>   | Start applying on <b>August 1<sup>st</sup></b> .<br><b>**Check college admissions websites for specific deadlines**</b><br>  |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Request Recommendations and Transcripts</b>  | Beginning <b>August 1<sup>st</sup></b> , use Naviance to request transcripts and teacher letters of recommendation.<br><b>**Talk to teacher recommenders <i>in person</i> before submitting your recommendation request in Naviance**</b><br><b>Do not invite recommenders in Common App; Invite recommenders in Naviance after August 1<sup>st</sup> and after you match your Common App and Naviance accounts.</b><br> |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Complete the FAFSA</b><br>(Free Application for Federal Student Aid)   | Submit FAFSA starting on <b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b><br><b>**check college websites for more info. on financial aid deadlines**</b><br>  |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Apply for Scholarships</b>   | Scholarship applications can be due as early as <b>September</b><br><b>**Check scholarship websites for specific deadlines**</b><br>   |                           |                     |   |
| <b>Commit to a College</b>  | Students must commit to a college on or before National Decision Day, <b>May 1<sup>st</sup></b><br>  |                           |                     |   |

# College Application Checklist

|                        |  <b>Did you know?</b> Naviance College, Career, and Life Readiness lessons can help you navigate the major milestones of your senior year? | <b>Student Checklist</b>   | <b>Parent or Guardian Checklist</b>  |
|------------------------|---|--|--|
| <b>Spring - Summer</b> | <b>Visit College Campuses and Attend College Fairs</b>  | <input type="checkbox"/> Engage with admissions reps in-person, over the phone, and through email.   | <input type="checkbox"/> Work with your student to plan spring & summer visits to the colleges they are most interested in.  |
|                        | <b>Register &amp; Study for SAT</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> Go to <a href="http://www.collegeboard.org">www.collegeboard.org</a> to register for the spring SAT. You can always take it again in the fall if you want a better score.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Come up with a study plan and stick to it!  | <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about paying for the SAT (\$55). Register early to avoid paying an extra \$30 late fee.<br><br><b>**fee waivers are available**</b>  |
|                        | <b>Register &amp; Study for ACT</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> Go to <a href="http://www.act.org">www.act.org</a> to register for the spring ACT. You can always take it again in the fall if you want a better score.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Come up with a study plan and stick to it!  | <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about paying for the ACT (\$63-88). Register early to avoid paying an extra \$36 late fee.<br><br><b>**fee waivers are available**</b>   |
|                        | <b>Finalize College List</b><br>3 reach, 3 target, 3 likely   | <input type="checkbox"/> Use Naviance & college websites to help you make informed decisions about where to apply.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Add colleges to your “Colleges I’m Thinking About” list in Naviance Student<br><input type="checkbox"/> Carefully consider the criteria you are looking for in a college and the admissions requirements for each school to develop your college list.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Determine if you are going to apply Early Action, Early Decision, or Regular Admissions. List deadlines. | <input type="checkbox"/> Explore possible careers and majors with your student.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about where they are planning to apply and what criteria matters to them most.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Help student compile a list of a few schools and focus on choosing a best fit for your student vs. getting into one particular school. |

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|   |  <p><b>Did you know?</b> You are twice as likely to get into a college if you apply for <u>Early Action</u> rather than Regular Decision.</p> | <h2>Student Checklist</h2>   | <h2>Parent or Guardian Checklist</h2>   |
|---|--|--|---|
| <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Fall - Winter</b></p> | <p><b>Apply to College</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Refer to college admissions websites for more information on how to apply. Most colleges begin accepting applications on <b>August 1<sup>st</sup></b>.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about how to pay for college application fees. Fees can range from \$25 to \$90 per application.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">**fee waivers are available**</p>   |
|   | <p><b>Request Recommendations and Transcripts</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Speak to teachers directly (1-2 months before deadline) to find out what they require in order to provide you with a written recommendation.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Use Naviance to request ALL letters of recommendation and transcripts for colleges you are applying to.</u></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about the importance of establishing positive relationships with teachers and counselors.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Check in on and help students keep track of application, transcript and recommendation deadlines.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Encourage students to check to ensure everything was submitted. Confirm on your own that everything was submitted.</li> </ul>                |
|   | <p><b>Complete the FAFSA</b><br/>(Free Application for Federal Student Aid)</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Go to <a href="http://www.fafsa.gov">www.fafsa.gov</a> to learn more about the FAFSA.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Submit your FAFSA application as early as <b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b>.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Parents and guardians should go to <a href="https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out">https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out</a> to identify what financial information is needed to complete the FAFSA successfully.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Review financial aid award letters to see cost associated with attending the various colleges your student has been accepted to.</li> </ul> |
|   | <p><b>Apply for Scholarships</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Use resources like the Naviance Scholarship Search to find out which scholarships you're eligible for.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Apply well in advance of scholarship deadlines.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Discuss finances with your student. Let them know if there is a "financial gap" between the costs of college that would not be met by household contributions + institutional, state, and federal financial aid. How much will the student need from other sources in order to attend college?</li> </ul>   |
|   | <p><b>Commit to a College</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> College Decision Day is <b>May 1<sup>st</sup></b>, but colleges allow you to commit earlier!</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about each college they are accepted to. Is it a good fit for them? Academically? Culturally? Financially? Help them make their final decision.</li> </ul>   |

