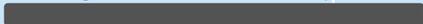


College Application/eDocs Timeline

 Did you know? 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
Visit College Campuses and Attend College Fairs	Ongoing 			
Register & Study for SAT	2022-2023 SAT test dates Register for SAT 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 			
Register & Study for ACT	2022-2023 ACT test dates Register for ACT 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 			
Finalize College List 3 reach, 3 target, 3 likely	Use Naviance college research tools to identify colleges that are the best match & fit. 			
Apply to College	Start applying on August 1st . **Check college admissions websites for specific deadlines** 			
Request Recommendations and Transcripts	Beginning August 1st , use Naviance to request transcripts and teacher letters of recommendation. **Talk to teacher recommenders <i>in person</i> before submitting your recommendation request in Naviance** Do not invite recommenders in Common App; Invite recommenders in Naviance after August 1 st and after you match your Common App and Naviance accounts. 			
Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)	Submit FAFSA starting on October 1st **check college websites for more info. on financial aid deadlines** 			
Apply for Scholarships	Scholarship applications can be due as early as September **Check scholarship websites for specific deadlines** 			
Commit to a College	Students must commit to a college on or before National Decision Day, May 1st 			

College Application Checklist

	 <p>Did you know? Naviance College, Career, and Life Readiness lessons can help you navigate the major milestones of your senior year?</p>	<h2>Student Checklist</h2>	<h2>Parent or Guardian Checklist</h2>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Spring - Summer</p>	<p>Visit College Campuses and Attend College Fairs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Engage with admissions reps in-person, over the phone, and through email. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Work with your student to plan spring & summer visits to the colleges they are most interested in.
	<p>Register & Study for SAT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Go to www.collegeboard.org to register for the spring SAT. You can always take it again in the fall if you want a better score. <input type="checkbox"/> Come up with a study plan and stick to it! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about paying for the SAT (\$55). Register early to avoid paying an extra \$30 late fee. <p style="text-align: center;">**fee waivers are available**</p>
	<p>Register & Study for ACT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Go to www.act.org to register for the spring ACT. You can always take it again in the fall if you want a better score. <input type="checkbox"/> Come up with a study plan and stick to it! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about paying for the ACT (\$63-88). Register early to avoid paying an extra \$36 late fee. <p style="text-align: center;">**fee waivers are available**</p>
	<p>Finalize College List 3 reach, 3 target, 3 likely</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Use Naviance & college websites to help you make informed decisions about where to apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Add colleges to your “Colleges I’m Thinking About” list in Naviance Student <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. <input type="checkbox"/> Determine if you are going to apply Early Action, Early Decision, or Regular Admissions. List deadlines. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Explore possible careers and majors with your student. <input type="checkbox"/> Talk to your student about where they are planning to apply and what criteria matters to them most. <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>Did you know? 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);">Fall - Winter</p>	<p>Apply to College</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Refer to college admissions websites for more information on how to apply. Most colleges begin accepting applications on August 1st. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Talk to your student about how to pay for college application fees. Fees can range from \$25 to \$90 per application. <p style="text-align: center;">**fee waivers are available**</p>
	<p>Request Recommendations and Transcripts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Speak to teachers directly (1-2 months before deadline) to find out what they require in order to provide you with a written recommendation. ❑ <u>Use Naviance to request ALL letters of recommendation and transcripts for colleges you are applying to.</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Talk to your student about the importance of establishing positive relationships with teachers and counselors. ❑ Check in on and help students keep track of application, transcript and recommendation deadlines. ❑ Encourage students to check to ensure everything was submitted. Confirm on your own that everything was submitted.
	<p>Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Go to www.fafsa.gov to learn more about the FAFSA. ❑ Submit your FAFSA application as early as October 1st. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Parents and guardians should go to https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out to identify what financial information is needed to complete the FAFSA successfully. ❑ Review financial aid award letters to see cost associated with attending the various colleges your student has been accepted to.
	<p>Apply for Scholarships</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Use resources like the Naviance Scholarship Search to find out which scholarships you're eligible for. ❑ Apply well in advance of scholarship deadlines. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ 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?
	<p>Commit to a College</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ College Decision Day is May 1st, but colleges allow you to commit earlier! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ 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.

