

College Planning Timeline for High School Students

Freshman Year

Fall

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Choose Extracurricular Activities
- Capstone Self-Discovery Activities

Spring

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Continue Extracurriculars
- Capstone Self-Discovery Activities

Sophomore Year

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Continue Extracurriculars
- Take the PreACT test (if available)
- Capstone College/Career Exploration

Spring

Fall

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Continue Extracurriculars
- Capstone College/Career Exploration
- College Visits

Fall

• Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available

Junior

Year

- Continue Extracurriculars
- Take the PSAT
- Capstone College/Career Exploration
- College Visits/Fairs

Spring

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Continue Extracurriculars
- Capstone College/Career Exploration
- College Visits
- Test Prep (if needed)
- Take the SAT and ACT
- Develop Initial College List

Senior Year

Fall

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Continue Extracurriculars
- · Take the SAT or ACT
- Finalize College List
- Capstone Application Process
- College Visits/Fairs
- Apply for Financial Aid & Scholarships

Spring

- Earn good grades in the most challenging courses available
- Continue Extracurriculars
- Review College Acceptances
- Apply for Scholarships
- Choose your best fit college May 1st
- Capstone Transition to College

Summer

Volunteer, Work, Internship or Enrichment Program Summer
Volunteer, Work, Internship or
Enrichment Program, College
Visits

Summer

Volunteer, Work, Internship or Enrichment Program, College Visits, Begin College Essays