Junior Planning Calendar
2025-2026

September-December

- Sign up for College Representative visits at OHS through your SchooLinks account. (must register 48 hours in advance).
- Create an appropriate email address for college applications.
- Plan an appropriate testing schedule; register for SAT and/or ACT.
- For prospective Division I or Division II student-athletes, register with NCAA https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/
- Explore career options through your SchooLinks account, College Board's Big Future https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/ or the Occupational Outlook Handbook https://www.bls.gov/ooh/.
- Use the SchooLinks College Search feature to research colleges and save to your list.
- Review **PSAT** results.
- Follow OHS School Counseling Instagram @OXFORDHIGHSCHOOL_COUNSELING

January-February

- Schedule a Post-Secondary (Junior) Conference with your counselor though the school counselor appointment links on the OHS website (parents or guardians are invited to attend virtually or in person). Go to "Departments & Programs" and click on "School Counseling."
- Register for Khan Academy - **free** online SAT prep.
- Attend Post-Secondary High School Planning Night for Juniors and Families on ***February 2026***
- Schedule College Visits throughout the spring. Students are allowed 3 verified *excused* absences for the school year if documentation is provided.

March

- Continue to research colleges through SchooLinks and College Board.
- Make reservations for college admissions tours over Spring Break (registration links are typically available on the school's website under the undergraduate admissions page).
- Take the Connecticut required SAT in March during school day.
- Begin financial aid research through the FAFSA4caster and Net Price Calculator.
- Register with scholarship websites (ex. https://www.fastweb.com, https://www.unigo.com, or www.cappex.com)
- Check the Class of 2027 *Google Classroom* for local college fair information

April

- Attend local college fairs.
- Identify teachers you can ask for letters of recommendation (1 core junior year teacher is recommended)

May/June

- Complete the Brag Sheet in SchooLinks See here for instructions (Available now if you want a head start)
- Essay writing lessons (Common Application Essays) in English classes

Summer

- Continue college visits.
- Write drafts of college essay, supplemental essays.
- Create a calendar or spreadsheet for deadlines.
- Start college applications (Common App opens 1st week of August).
- Register for the August, September, or October SAT or ACT if needed.

Time flies, enjoy your Junior year!