

September

- Return to school with a revised list of 3-5 colleges with varying degrees of admissions selectivity;
- Begin work on your college essay;
- Check application deadlines, and decide on early decision; • Register for SAT or ACT for their October dates;
- Attend college representatives' visits in the Counseling Center; • Send for applications from colleges of interest.

October

- Begin application process;
- Early Decision and Early Action applications due by end of the month; • Ask teachers for recommendations;
- Register for December SAT II if necessary;
- Register with CSS profile (financial aid form) if any colleges require it; • Continue meeting with college admissions representatives at CCS; • Meet with Mrs. Gillette for senior review.

November

- Take or retake SAT I;
- Complete early decision or early action applications by deadline; • Regular admissions applications due to Counseling Center by end of November.

December

- Send "portfolio" if interested in college athletics;
- Take the SAT II if needed;
- Attend school's financial aid night program with your parents.

January

- Submit financial aid forms (FAFSA);
- Keep grades up!

February

- If not yet done, submit FAFSA by February 15th;
- Contact colleges to make sure they have received your complete application.

March

- Wait patiently;
- Think about your potential choices;
- Review your SAR (Student Aid Report) to make sure the information is correct;
- You should receive it 4-6 weeks after you submit your FAFSA.

April

- If you have not already done so, visit the colleges on your list;
- Check your mail for admissions letters and financial aid awards;
- Notifications should be in by the 15th;
- Contact the financial aid office if you have special financial circumstances.

May

- Select your college;
- Most schools ask for your reply by May 1;
- Reply to all colleges.

June

- Graduate! CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Summer

- Attend summer orientation;
- Work a summer job, volunteer, or take summer courses.