

College Process Checklist (To do with your Parents)

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| <p>In Junior Year: Sign up for and take the spring SATs or ACTs at www.collegeboard.org or at www.actstudent.org Sign up for and take SAT II tests, if required by your colleges. Discuss with your parents if you will need fee waivers for standardized tests and/or for application fees. See your counselor for these fee waivers.</p> | |
| <p>Discuss criteria for choosing a college such as cost, location, size, academic programs/majors, services for students with learning disabilities, athletics, arts and anything else that is important to you.</p> | |
| <p>Using Naviance, show your parents your college search and review the list of colleges you generated during our Winter x block meeting. Also, show them the list of “colleges I’m thinking about” in Naviance. Review Scattergrams and general college information found on Naviance.</p> | |
| <p>Visit local schools that represent various sizes, urban/rural/suburban settings etc. so that you and your parents can begin to narrow your list of criteria. Schedule college visits and/or college interviews during Feb. or April vacation once you have an idea of the types of schools that interest you. If you are on an IEP, please see your liaison to discuss the best way to present your learning needs to colleges when you visit each college’s center for students with learning disabilities.</p> | |
| <p>Review with your parents: the resume you have completed in Naviance, possible teachers you might ask to write you a recommendation, and your counselor questionnaire. Make sure your parents have completed the Parent Brag Sheet and submitted it to your counselor. All must be done by March 15.</p> | |
| <p>Summer after Junior Year: Review college testing scores and make a plan for improving your scores, if necessary (i.e.- take a class, buy prep. software or books.)</p> | |
| <p>Senior Year: Re- take SATs or ACTs if necessary. Send official scores to colleges (from collegeboard.org or actstudent.org)</p> | |
| <p>Complete and submit college applications and application fees by the deadline.</p> | |
| <p>Complete financial aid forms (FAFSA, Profile) and complete scholarship applications.</p> | |