



College Checklist for Seniors

September - October

- Return to school with a college list and go over this list with your senior advisor. Submit your complete college list by October 1 if applying for Early Decision or Early Action or by November 15, if applying Regular Decision.
- Meet with your advisor to discuss your plans and to let him or her know whether you intend to apply early.
- Set up your college Common App account with assistance from your advisor
- Remember that you should like every college on your list and that your list should be balanced with choices from all levels of admission selectivity.
- Send your draft essay to your English Teacher and Advisor for review by the end of September.
- Make requests for letters of recommendation in September (3-5 requests would be best) if you did not do this at the end of your Junior year or follow up on your requests.
- Keep your advisors and teachers who wrote letters of recommendation informed of your progress, and send them the instructions for submitting their letters of recommendation. Make sure these are submitted before your due date for the application.

September - February

- Attend college meetings with admissions representatives who visit the area.
- Meet regularly with your college advisor.
- Continue to do well in school. Your senior year counts, even the second semester!
- Retake any standardized tests as necessary, SAT, ACT, and Subject Tests.
- Submit applications in advance of deadlines.

- Register for FAFSA and PROFILE if you are interested in applying for financial aid — these forms can be submitted beginning December 2023.
- Don't stop working — your second semester will be very important if you are waitlisted at a college!

April - June

- Once accepted to the college of your choice, you must submit your enrollment deposit typically by May 1. You may only enroll at one college.