

Admissions & Financial Aid Checklist for High School Seniors August-September

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Develop a college plan

Establish a consistent visit schedule to your high school career center.

High school career centers have information and resources about numerous colleges in your state and out of state such as:

- College representative visit schedule
- Field trips to local colleges
- College admissions process
- Early admit scholarships

Talk to a high school counselor about your college plans. They have contact information of college recruiters and admissions representatives

Apply for colleges online

- You can apply for most colleges and universities online

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Meet with local college admissions representatives that visit your high school on a regular basis

If there are any **workshops** at your school on "Writing a personal scholarship statement", they are **MUST** attend sessions

Research online about available scholarships both from colleges you applied for and outside organizations
 Apply for scholarships continuously

Attend any pre-financial aid application workshops on Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Both you and your parent(s) should attend any available presentations

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	<input type="checkbox"/> Continue to apply for <u>scholarships</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Begin to narrow your college choices to those schools that are the best fit for you
Dec	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Visit the colleges of focus interest.</u> This will give you an idea about the climate, campus culture and class style
	<input type="checkbox"/> Explore all campus <u>housing options</u>

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Jan

Understand early submit of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Organize the related financial records to prepare for FAFSA.

Request (both you & your parents) your personal identification number (PIN) at pin.ed.gov

Complete and submit free application of FAFSA at fafsa.gov

Applying early increases your chances for grants & other types of financial aid

Apply for scholarships from outside organizations

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	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Respond</u> in a timely manner to any requests from any colleges for additional documents such as IRS 1040 income tax returns or clarification of information on the financial aid application</p>
Feb -- Mar	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Review financial aid notifications</u> (aid offers) carefully with your parents</p>
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Make comprehensive considerations with parents and decisions on college attendance</p>

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Apr

Pay enrollment deposit. Many institutions require an enrollment deposit for you to sign up for (early) orientation

Submit Immunization Verification so that you can register for class during orientation

Complete the math placement exam (if your institution requires you to). Many institutions use math placement exam results to guide you for appropriate freshman math courses

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend on-campus orientation<input type="checkbox"/> Consult academic advisors<input type="checkbox"/> Complete early class registration<input type="checkbox"/> Confirm on-campus housing and meal plan
<p>Apr -- May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Maintain high academic standards during senior year. College admissions are contingent on graduation from high school. Some colleges require your senior-year course work information
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Check the flexible payment options at your college<input type="checkbox"/> Pay tuition and fees. It's important to meet deadlines<input type="checkbox"/> Purchase books, obtain parking decal and student ID