

# Junior / Senior Year Timeline

## Spring of Junior Year

- ❑ Register for SAT / SAT II Subject Test / ACT
- ❑ Meet with your guidance counselor to discuss colleges
- ❑ Attend Junior College Night / College panel with your parents in the spring at PRHS (date to be announced)
- ❑ Explore colleges on Naviance and create an initial list
- ❑ Visit schools, take campus tours if possible, and sign up for information sessions
- ❑ Create a resume (see sample resume packet in junior college folder, or use resume builder on Naviance)
- ❑ Continue to focus on your grades!
- ❑ By June, complete **Teacher Recommendation Profile Sheets** and give them to the teachers who you are asking for letters of recommendation from. **Also follow up through Naviance.** (Click on the Colleges tab, then click Colleges Home, then scroll down to Apply to Colleges and click Letters of Recommendation)
- ❑ Complete and return **Parent Brag Sheet, Student Brag Sheet, Transcript Release Form, and E-mail Permission Form** to Guidance by June 1<sup>st</sup>
- ❑ Make your summer count! Set up an enrichment program or a volunteer project, take courses at a college, or seek internship opportunities in a field that interests you. See the Enrichment Program list on Naviance for ideas (colleges > college research > enrichment programs)

## Summer

- ❑ Register for fall SAT / ACT
- ❑ Continue to visit colleges.
- ❑ Set up interviews with admission reps wherever possible
- ❑ As of August 1<sup>st</sup>, start to fill out the Common Application ([www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)), and any individual college applications for colleges who don't accept the Common App.

## Senior Year

### September/October

- ❑ Prepare for any upcoming SAT / ACT exams
- ❑ If not already done, complete **Teacher Recommendation Profile Sheets** and give them to the teachers who you are asking for letters of recommendation from
- ❑ Also if not already done, complete the **Transcript Release Form, E-mail Permission Form, and Brag Sheet** and return them to Guidance
- ❑ Write your college essay
- ❑ Create / update a resume
- ❑ Go on more college visits, and meet with reps who visit PRHS
- ❑ Finalize college list (make sure to include financial and admission safety schools in your list)
- ❑ Create a timeline for deadlines (applications, financial aid).  
**Note: You should submit applications to Guidance AT LEAST two weeks before the application due date**
- ❑ Complete college applications online.
- ❑ Complete a **PRHS Online Application Form** for any schools you have applied to on line, and return it to your counselor.
- ❑ **Release SAT scores** through [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) and/or ACT scores through [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) to the schools you are applying to
- ❑ Attend PRHS PTSA College Fair in September and the RCC College Fair in October
- ❑ Parents attend Financial Aid Night at Pearl River High School in Pirate Cove in September/October
- ❑ Parents Obtain PIN for financial aid. ([www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)) and begin to complete FAFSA worksheet for financial aid. ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov))
- ❑ Obtain CSS Profile for financial aid if school requires (check list at [www.collegeboard.com/profile](http://www.collegeboard.com/profile))
- ❑ Complete NCAA Form ([www.ncaaclearinghouse.net](http://www.ncaaclearinghouse.net)) for students planning to play Division 1 or 2 college sports

## **November**

- ❑ Early Action and Early Decision Deadlines (usually November 1 and 15)
- ❑ Essays should be written
- ❑ Enjoy Disney, and lots of turkey!

## **December**

- ❑ Continue to apply to schools (January 1 and 15 are a big deadlines for competitive schools)

## **January**

- ❑ Prepare for mid-year exams

## **February**

- ❑ Mid- year reports automatically sent to each school to which a senior applies. This is done after report cards are printed.

## **March**

- ❑ Register for Advanced Placement Tests in the Guidance Office
- ❑ Letters begin to arrive from colleges

## **April**

- ❑ Student notification of acceptance continues. Make sure to notify schools you have decided not to attend so that others may have an opportunity. Make sure to let your counselor know about your acceptances too!

## **May**

- ❑ Deposits due May 1<sup>st</sup> at most competitive colleges
- ❑ Review financial packages

## **June**

- ❑ Prepare for exams, Prom and GRADUATION!