## High-School Junior-Year Timetable/Planning Calendar

#### **OCTOBER**

- Take the PSAT.
- Talk with teachers, family members, and other adults you respect about the colleges they attended.
- Begin the career exploration process with some assessment tests.

#### **NOVEMBER**

- Keep your focus on your grades. You'll want your grades for this entire junior year to be as strong as possible.
- Continue your research in potential colleges and careers.
- Continue gathering materials for your resume and portfolio.

#### **DECEMBER**

- Once you receive your PSAT scores, make plans for how to maximize the good and plan to improve the rest.
- Look ahead to the spring and summer and begin mapping out the dates for your other standardized tests: AP Placement Exams, ACT, SAT, SAT Subject Tests.
- Stay focused on grades.

#### **JANUARY**

- Continue your research on potential colleges and careers.
- Consider asking to job shadow one or more people you know to learn more about those careers firsthand.
- Stay focused on grades.

#### **FEBRUARY**

- Schedule meeting with your guidance counselor to discuss possible college choices.
- Begin to focus on the key 10 to 15 colleges that are a good fit (based on your academics and career choice).
- Stay focused on grades.

### **MARCH**

- Develop (if you haven't already) a file for each of the schools on your list.
- Start learning about scholarships and grants.
- Brainstorm and research rewarding summer jobs, internships, or scholarship opportunities.
- Stay focused on grades.

#### **APRIL**

- Work with your guidance counselor to assure a challenging senior year of courses.
- Register for the May and/or June SAT tests.
- Consider visiting some of the colleges on your list.
- Begin identifying teachers who may be willing to write recommendations letters for you.
- Begin reviewing for SAT.

#### MAY

- Take AP Placement Exams if you have taken AP courses.
- Firm up your summer plans, including visits to other colleges on your list.
- Push yourself hard to end the year with solid grades.

# JUNE

- Take the SAT and SAT Subject Tests.
- Continue contemplating various careers and colleges then visit colleges
- Be sure to get the most out of your summer vacation.
- Ask for summer reading lists.