

TIMELINE FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

JUNIOR YEAR

FALL

- Begin general research on colleges and universities
- Take PSAT in October

SPRING

- First college visitation period. During spring break, visit local colleges or take a trip to tour campuses out of town. You can call in advance to schedule a tour.
- Sign up for SAT and/or ACT.

Mar/Apr/May/June

- Take first SAT Reasoning and/or ACT (with optional writing for UC)
- Attend “East Bay College Connection” College Fair

SUMMER

- Second college visitation period
- Request information from colleges for application
- Research scholarship opportunities on-line
- Prepare drafts for college essays/personal statements

SENIOR YEAR

FALL

- Third college visitation period

Sept/Oct/Nov

- Take SAT Reasoning, ACT (plus writing), and/or SAT Subject Tests
- Write college essay/personal insight question responses
- Begin UC Application www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions (cannot send in until November)
- Out-of-State Colleges: Visit the college’s website and/or campuses for applications

October

- Complete the FAFSA on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov starting Oct. 1st
- CSU’s: Apply on-line at www.csumentor.edu starting Oct. 1st; due Nov. 30th
- Visit college campuses on October school holiday
- Attend “College Application Workshop for Seniors” at Salesian
- Meet with college reps on campus (announced in Daily Bulletin)
- Begin Early Action Private school applications, most at www.commonapp.org

November

- Send in UC application on-line starting Nov. 1st; due Nov. 30th
- Attend “Financial Aid for College Night” in November

December

- Take the SAT Reasoning and/or ACT (plus writing), if necessary

SPRING

- Colleges will send financial aid packages
- Make final decisions for college attendance. Most colleges will require a decision and deposit by May 1st