

September

Note:

- Register for SAT and ACT; get fee waiver from college counselor.
- Deadlines for early applications tend to be in November.
- Be sure to exchange contact information/review schedules/establish meeting times.

Plan of Action:

Start your list of colleges. Be sure you list "safety"(very likely to accept you) colleges (as well as "probable" (likely to accept you) and "reach"(less likely to accept you) colleges. Review college applications and informational materials.

Organize materials into separate files by college*

Colleges of Interest		
Safety	Probable	Reach

College Application

- Application Form:** Check each college and see their preferences and requirements. Also be sure to talk to your counselor about any application fee waivers.
- High School Transcript:** Talk to your high school counselor and review your transcript.
- Admission Test Scores:** SAT's and ACT's should be/have been taken in the summer of junior year and/or the fall of senior year. Be sure to register for upcoming tests.
- Letter of Recommendation:** Choose at least two to three people to write letters of recommendation.
Possible contributors for letters of rec.:

- Essay:** Most essays will ask similar questions. Make sure you check the prompts for each of your college applications. Have a list of topics you can write about and start thinking about them:
Possible Topics: _____ People to view and help proof read the essay: _____

For your first draft let yourself write away as if it were a reflection of the topic. Remember this is a Personal Essay and your chance to give the college an idea of the kind of person you really are. Be sure to revise consistently.

Interview, Auditions and Portfolios are optional but highly recommended (optional)*