

Grade 11 – Junior Year

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

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| | Look for volunteer opportunities. |
| | Request information about college application requirements, financial aid information, and specific information about your proposed major area of study. |
| | Check college websites for SAT, SAT Subject Tests or ACT requirements. |

SUMMER

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| | Check your 4th semester cumulative GPA |
| | Review high school coursework and activity plans. Remember, colleges are looking for the following: Challenging coursework, Strong GPA, Involvement in extracurricular activities |

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

| DONE | TASK |
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| | Put together a list of 10 colleges you are interested in. Add them to “Colleges Your Thinking About” in Naviance |
| | Talk to your parents and high school counselor about where you want to go to school. |
| | Study for the PSAT/NMSQT. Check out additional practice materials at www.collegeboard.com . |
| | Ensure you are in the courses or programs necessary to earn your CCMR indicator, or have signed up for the necessary tests. |

OCTOBER

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| | Take the PSAT/NMSQT. (Remember to take your calculator.) *Students with disabilities—please contact your counselor at least 8 weeks prior to registration for any entrance exam to discuss any accommodations for testing based on ARD or 504 committee recommendations. |

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

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| | Attend a College Fair. |

JANUARY

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| | Check your 5 th semester cumulative GPA. |
| | Review your PSAT/NMSQT score report. Use the College Board website to interpret and understand your score. |
| | Plan to take the SAT, SAT Subject Tests, or ACT exams if necessary. Visit the College and Career Center to register. |
| | Visit the web sites of the 3-5 colleges that interest you most. Plan college visits. |

FEBRUARY

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| | Register and study for the SAT and/or ACT exams. |
| | Register for AP tests as appropriate |

MARCH/APRIL

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| | Plan a college visit during Spring Break. |
| | Begin investigating outside funding resources such as financial aid and scholarships. |
| | Check credits to make sure you are on schedule for graduation. |
| | Plan a program of study for your senior year with your counselor. Learn about opportunities to earn college or advanced placement credit (College Board Advanced Placement Testing). |
| | Choose courses that satisfy high school graduation and future college plans. |
| | Register for college entrance tests (SAT, ACT, SAT Subject Tests). |

MAY

| DONE | TASK |
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| | Take both the SAT and ACT tests to determine which style of test is best for you. It is critical to take a college admissions test before your senior year for University applications. |
| | Take SAT Subject test if needed for college applications. |
| | Take any registered AP exams |
| | Consider scheduling college visits for summer months. |
| | Earn your CCMR indicator or sign up to complete the Texas College Bridge. |

SUMMER

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| | Check your 6 th semester cumulative GPA. |
| | Obtain a summer job that might be related to your career interests. |
| | Save money, if possible, to help pay for college costs. |
| | Visit colleges you will apply to in the Fall of senior year |
| | Keep a record of the advantages and disadvantages of each college. |
| | Create a list of persons who you will ask to write a letter of recommendation for you. |
| | Identify if the colleges you will apply to in the Fall require an essay. Get started writing. |
| | Apply for a congressional nomination if wanting to attend a military academy. |
| | Update your Résumé: list awards, extracurricular activities, work experience, and other information |