



College Planning Timeline Junior Year

September

- Meet your Guidance Counselor
- Start preliminary college selection
- Think about career choices & college major possibilities
- Attend college nights at area schools
- Get a good academic start on your second half of high school. **(Your six semester [end of Junior year] cumulative GPA will be very influential in determining your eligibility for acceptance at many colleges.)**

October

- Take the PSAT/NMSQT and do well. This could bring you big scholarship \$\$\$.
- Continue to visit college reps from schools in which you have an interest.
- Do well in your classes. First quarter ends in October.
- If you are interested in attending a military academy, **start the process now**. For more information on the application process, see your guidance counselor.
- Get in the habit of listening to the daily bulletin. Listen/Watch for scholarship opportunities for Juniors.

November

- Consider taking the Campbell Interest Skills Survey. This could help in choosing a career.
- Continue to concentrate on your academics
- Keep a record of your activities at school and outside of school. You will eventually want to do a resume and you will need details of honors and awards.

December

- Register to take the Jan. SAT.
- Keep up academically. Master your subjects so you can enjoy Christmas vacation.
- Study for and do well in your exams. Semester grades apply to GPA.
- Continue to gather college information from schools that interest you.

January

- Take the Jan. SAT.
- Second semester begins. Do well in your classes.

February

- Select your Senior year courses carefully. Know what colleges require.
- Seriously consider Honors and/or AP courses. You can get a head start in college with these courses as well as save a lot of money.
- Register for the April ACT

March

- **YOU REALLY NEED TO TAKE BOTH THE SAT & ACT AT LEAST ONCE DURING YOUR JUNIOR YEAR. Be sure you have registered.**
- Attend the College Fair at Nolan Catholic.

April

- Take the ACT
- Register for the June SAT and/or ACT if you need to or want to
- Consider summer programs at various colleges in subject areas that interest you. Information is posted and updated in the guidance center.

May

- Take the SAT if you missed the April test
- Do well in your exams. GPA after 6 semesters is used by colleges to determine acceptances.

Summer

- Visit some colleges that you may be considering. Write for information.