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COLLEGE PLANNING CALENDAR 2013-2014

SEPTEMBER

- ☐ College Workshops at Urban
- ☐ Meet with your college counselor.
- ☐ Create preliminary list of colleges.
- ☐ Register for SAT Reasoning Test Oct 5th (deadline 9/6); Nov 2nd (deadline 10/3); Dec 7th (deadline 11/8).
- ☐ Register for SAT Subject Tests ____ Oct 5th ____ Nov 2nd ____ Dec 7th
- ☐ Consider taking the ACT September 21, October 26, December 14
- ☐ Check which colleges are visiting Urban and sign up for meetings of interest.
- ☐ Write, call or e-mail colleges for applications.
- ☐ Work toward your final list of colleges. Discuss your list with your college counselor. KEEP YOUR LIST ON NAVIANCE UPDATED WITH ALL OF YOUR COLLEGES!
- ☐ Begin filling out the Common Application.
- ☐ Examine required essays and supplements. See what each college wants from you.
- ☐ Register with the NCAA Clearinghouse for Division I and II athletics.

OCTOBER

- ☐ Attend college representative meetings.
- ☐ Continue to work on your essays.
- ☐ Decide if you want to apply Early Action or Early Decision to any college.
YOU MUST DISCUSS ANY EARLY PLAN WITH YOUR COLLEGE COUNSELOR.
- ☐ Finalize list of colleges on Naviance .
- ☐ Ask teachers for recommendations.
- ☐ Distribute requests and necessary forms for teacher recommendations and school reports.

- ☐ Take the SAT/ACT
- ☐ If you are applying for Financial Aid, complete CSS Profile registration form in order to receive the Profile application.
- ☐ Submit CSU applications: the sooner the better.

NOVEMBER

- ☐ Submit UC, all CSU and public out-of-state applications.
- ☐ Submit Early Action and Early Decision applications.
- ☐ Take the November SAT. This might be your last test date... if it is, request that official score reports be sent to all schools that require them.
- ☐ Make sure that your college counselor has a complete list of where you are applying and where your transcripts need to be sent.
- ☐ Continue to work on your essay.
- ☐ Check Common Application Supplement requirements.
- ☐ For those applying for Financial Aid:
 - ✓ The FAFSA (Federal form) can only be filed after January 1st
 - ✓ The College Board Profile Form, which is required by some private schools, may be filed at any time.
 - ✓ Some private colleges require additional financial forms to the above. See what is needed from each of the schools to which you are applying.

DECEMBER

- ☐ Make sure the College Counseling office and your teachers have your final list of colleges.
- ☐ Finalize your essays.
- ☐ Complete the Common Application supplements.
- ☐ Take December SAT/ACT if necessary.
- ☐ Complete, save, and send all applications. You must ask the College Board/ACT to send scores officially. (Do not underestimate the time demands of exams and the holidays.)

- ☐ Talk with friends (first year and upper class students) who are home from college and get their impressions.

JANUARY

- ☐ If you are applying for financial aid, have your parents complete the FAFSA. (The sooner this is completed and sent in, the better.)
- ☐ Check your recommendations. Has everything been sent?
- ☐ Keep working – Winter interim reports might be sent to colleges!

FEBRUARY/MARCH

- ☐ Send in Cal Grant GPA verification form before March 2.
- ☐ Continue to explore the colleges on your list.
- ☐ Register for May Advanced Placement tests.
- ☐ If you have applied for financial aid, make sure that you have received the Profile acknowledgement and the Student Aid Report from the FAFSA application.

APRIL

- ☐ Review all responses you receive with your college counselor, and keep your counselor fully informed.
- ☐ If possible, visit the college of your choice before making your final decision.
- ☐ Notify the college of your choice. Send ONE deposit by **May 1**! You must notify the remaining schools where you were accepted that you will not be attending. They may be able to offer your space to another student.
- ☐ If you are on a wait list, notify that college and your college counselor of your decision to remain on or be removed from the list.
- ☐ Remember that you have limited opportunities to miss classes to visit colleges.

MAY

- ☐ Take AP exams.
- ☐ Maintain your academic focus. Colleges will see and evaluate your final transcript.
- ☐ Complete list of all your college responses (accept, reject, wait list) and update Naviance.

JUNE 14th GRADUATION!!!