

College Bound Senior Check-off list- Second Semester

January/February:

- Continue to apply for private schools. Deadlines will vary.
- Complete the FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid on fafsa.ed.gov by March 2.
- Fill out GPA verification form and submit to registrar by mid-February.
- Have seventh semester transcript sent to colleges if requested.
- Make sure you've had your SAT/ACT test scores sent to all colleges applied to.
 - Double check with your college campuses to make sure they have received them.
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- Create your school email for the campuses you have applied to.
- Check your personal email AND all of your college campus emails EVERY WEEK.
- Continue to research and apply for scholarships.
- Continue to keep track of all deadlines and application components.
- Continue to focus on your grades and extracurricular involvement.

March:

- March 2nd is the deadline for FAFSA/Cal Grants, so make sure you apply before deadline.
- Contact colleges that didn't send you a confirmation receipt for your application.
- Talk to your school about registering for AP exams.
- Keep your grades high. Colleges can revoke offers of admission if your grades take a nosedive senior year.
- Some acceptance letters may arrive. Compare financial aid offers and visit campus before making a decision.
 - Don't panic; many, many decisions are not mailed out until April.
- Continue applying for appropriate scholarships.

April:

- Determine if you need to take the English Placement Test (EPT) or Entry Level Math (ELM) exam at a CSU campus. Unless your test scores or approved college courses exempt you, a satisfactory result on these tests is required before you can take college level courses in English or Math at the CSU.

- Keep track of all acceptances, rejections, and waitlists.
- If waitlisted, move ahead with other plans. You can always change your plans if you get off a waitlist.
- Keep your grades up.
- If you have ruled out any colleges that accepted you, notify them. This is a courtesy to other applicants, and it will help the colleges manage their waitlists and extend the correct number of acceptance letters.
- Make sure to keep checking your school campus email and personal email to check for your award letter or requests for additional information from FAFSA
- Compare each schools financial award package and decide which school you plan on attending.
- Go to accepted student open houses if offered.

May:

- You must choose the school you plan on attending and submit your letter of intent by May 1. Letter of intent will also require a \$100-300 nonrefundable deposit. Some fees may be waived if student was eligible for application fee waiver.
- Figure out your living arrangements, if you are planning on living on campus make sure that your dorm applications are filled out by the campus deadline.
- Sign up for your future college's freshmen orientation.
- Prepare for and take any appropriate AP exams. Most colleges offer course credit for high AP scores.
- Have your final transcripts sent to colleges.
- Let your mentors and recommenders know the results of your college search.
- Keep on top of procuring student loans. Notify your college if you receive any scholarships.
- Graduate.
 - Congratulations!

Summer before your Freshman Year of College:

- Take part in summer orientation programs for incoming college freshmen.
- Obtain academic advising.

Good luck! You made the right decision!

You are on your way to a four- year college degree. 😊