

# Pre-College Calendar and Checklist

## March – (Junior Year)

- Plans for Spring Break? Consider scheduling visits to colleges you are interested in applying to.

## April – (Junior Year)

- Keep up your grades. Your junior-year grades in particular, are important for college admission.
- If you plan to participate in college sports, you may need to register during your junior year with the clearinghouse of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>), depending on your sport, division or college.

## May – (Junior Year)

- IF NEEDED, take the [SAT](#) exam.
- Take the AP exams in early May.
- IF NEEDED, mark a calendar with [SAT](#) or [ACT](#) test dates and registration deadlines. You may also take them during your senior year in high school. (December is the latest test for seniors)
- Continue compiling information to find out which organizations award scholarships to graduating seniors (you may have to begin applying the summer after your junior year).

## June – (Junior Year)

- Work on your admissions essays for UC's and/or private colleges.
- IF NEEDED, register for the August [SAT](#) and/or September [ACT](#)
- Obtain a summer job that might be related to your career interests, if possible.
- Save some money from your summer job to pay for college.
- If you travel this summer, consider scheduling a college visit.

## August – (Senior Year)

- UC applications are open August 1<sup>st</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>
- IF NEEDED, take the [SAT](#) exam.

## September – (Senior Year)

- Mark your calendar with registration, admissions, and financial aid deadlines and fees.
- Meet with school representatives who visit your high school.
- Look at virtual tours of college campuses online.
- IF NEEDED, register for the [SAT](#) and/or [ACT](#).
- Attend college planning and/or financial aid information nights and college fairs.
  - **EGUSD College and Career Fair – TBA**
- Give completed Letter of Recommendation Forms to employers, teachers, and counselors for your private college applications.

## October – (Senior Year)

- EGUSD will send Cal Grant GPA's for all seniors automatically at the end of October.
- Complete and submit the FAFSA or the California Dream Act Application at [Californiacolleges.edu](http://Californiacolleges.edu) as soon as possible, starting October 1
- UC & CSU applications are open. October 1<sup>st</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>
- IF NEEDED, take the [SAT](#) and/or [ACT](#).
- Attend a California Cash for College workshop for free help completing the FAFSA and California Dream Act Application. For dates and locations, go to [www.calgrants.org](http://www.calgrants.org)
- Finalize portfolios, audition tapes, writing samples, or other evidence of talent if required for admission.

## November – (Senior Year)

- Complete admissions applications by their deadlines.
- If you haven't already done so, attend college planning and/or financial aid information nights and college presentations.
- IF NEEDED, register to retake the [SAT](#) and/or [ACT](#).
- Check in with counselors and teachers to be sure they received your common application invite.
- CSU and UC applications end November 30<sup>th</sup>

## December – (Senior Year)

- Finalize admission applications for private and out of state colleges.
- [Research and apply for other financial aid](#), including grants and scholarships.
- Watch for early admissions notices (they tend to arrive in December or January).
- **READ ALL EMAILS.**
- Create accounts for all the colleges to which you have applied and check them regularly.

## January-May – (Senior Year)

- **READ ALL EMAILS AND CHECK "TO DO" LISTS ON ALL COLLEGE ACCOUNTS WEEKLY.**



**\*\*See your Counselor with questions\*\***