

# COLLEGE CHECKLIST

*senior year*



## September

- Create your college list using [Overgrad](#) and [BigFuture](#)
- Register for the [SAT](#) or [ACT](#)
- Create your [CommonApp](#) account
- Request letters of recommendation
- Begin your entrance essays

## October

- Make note of all application deadlines and requirements
- Take the SAT or ACT
- Begin filling out applications
- Complete the [FAFSA](#)
- Review transcripts and graduation requirements with advising counselor

## November

- Submit early action applications
- Confirm letters of recommendation have been submitted
- Begin OSAC and Oregon Promise [applications](#)
- Workshop and finalize entrance essays

## December

- Finalize college applications; ask a parent and/or counselor to review them with you
- Make a plan for how you'll pay for college
- Create a list of scholarships & their requirements / deadlines

## January

- Submit college applications
- Request updated copy of your transcripts
- Apply for 1–3 scholarships per week
- Check your email daily for messages from colleges and financial aid providers

## February

- Continue scholarship applications: 5–10 per week
- Meet with counselor for final advising session
- Research summer opportunities: jobs, internships, etc.

## March

- Celebrate your college acceptances
- Evaluate your financial aid award letters
- Review you plan to pay for college

## April

- Schedule final campus visits, preview days, etc. as you prepare to choose your future college
- Apply for summer jobs/internships

## May

- Notify the school of your choice by May 1st, National Decision Day
- Inform other college acceptances that you will not be attending their school

## June

- Request final high school transcript be sent to your future college
- Prepare for college by practicing your academic and independent living skills

MEET REGULARLY WITH YOUR COLLEGE & CAREER COUNSELOR TO PLAN AND PURSUE YOUR FUTURE GOALS