

STUDENT CALENDAR

✓	Activity	Timeframe
	1. Obtain and begin using a monthly planner	As soon as possible
	2. Attend college workshops, events (<i>College: Why Not!</i> etc.)	All high school years
	3. Conduct a Career Assessment	Sophomore and junior years
	4. Research career fit at www.bls.gov/oco and arrange job shadow opportunities	Sophomore and junior years
	5. Sign up for PSAT	October/sophomore year
	6. Take SAT and/or ACT test preparation classes	Spring/junior year
	7. Register for the SAT (www.collegeboard.com) and/or ACT (www.actstudent.org)	March/junior year
	8. Conduct a college search/"fit"	March/junior year
	9. Take virtual college tours	March/junior year
	10. Visit as many college campuses on your list as possible	March-August/junior year
	11. Take the SAT and/or ACT	May or June/junior year
	12. Apply to colleges that fit you, your major and career goals	September – October senior year
	13. Take advantage of "Instant Enrollment Day" if offered	Fall/senior year
	14. Consult with your school counselor for local grants and scholarship opportunities. Apply per deadlines.	September – December senior year
	15. Get your online PIN for FAFSA – student & parent (save!)	December/senior year
	16. Attend FAFSA workshops (<i>Cash for College</i> and others)	Senior year
	17. Fill in FAFSA worksheets and consult with an advisor before completing and filing online or mailing application	Senior year
	18. Complete FAFSA by March 2 deadline (online preferred)	January – March / senior year
	19. Apply for Cal Grant – requires FAFSA and GPA verification (from your school if they don't send electronically)	Before March 2 deadline senior year
	20. After receiving EFC and financial aid award letters, contact your counselor to finalize plans. Attend workshops.	March – May/senior year
	21. If you believe you or your family have special circumstances (job loss, death, hardship, divorce, etc.) that were not reflected on the FAFSA, notify your advisor/counselor immediately. Adjustments are possible.	After initial filing; as identified

Remember to put all these dates and deadlines on your calendar!

