



JUNIOR * SENIOR YEAR TIMELINE

CONGRATULATIONS! Within the next 15 months you will have identified, applied to and selected your college. You're in the home stretch. Here is a list of dates to help you organize your senior year – starting now.

FEBRUARY

- Set up your Family Connection account
- Complete Junior Questionnaire
- Meet with your counselor to develop initial college list
- Sign up for SAT / ACT
- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center, if you plan to participate in college sports

MARCH

- Take practice ACT test at Valor on 3/10/10 (or visit local colleges)
- Complete your resume
- Visit college campuses during Spring Break

APRIL

- Visit college campuses
- Take SAT / ACT
- Meet college admissions officers at DU Spring College Fair – April 18, 2010
- Participate in Case Study

MAY

- Take AP Exams
- Take SAT / ACT
- Take SAT Subject Tests or ACT Writing
- Submit transcripts to NCAA Eligibility Center for prequalification check
- Request letters of recommendation

JUNE / JULY / AUGUST

- Continue to research colleges and begin to narrow your search
- Visit colleges you are interested in attending
- Complete your college essay(s)
- Engage in a mission trip, community service or a summer job to add experience to your resume
- Complete Heart and S.O.U.L. requirement

- Conduct scholarship searches – make note of application deadlines
- Update your college comparison worksheet – make sure you document all application deadlines!
- Complete summer AP coursework, as assigned

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

- Complete online college applications – be sure to keep a copy for yourself!
- Register for Fall ACT/SAT and/or SAT Subject tests, if necessary
- Meet admissions officers at Valor during *VALOR VISITS*
- Attend Christian College Fair at Valor – Sept. 26, 2010
- Visit colleges you are interested in attending
- Follow up on teacher letters of recommendation. Ask at least three weeks in advance, and follow up your request with a thank you note.
- Edit and finalize college essays
- Determine if your college choices require an interview – schedule as needed
- Early Decision and Early Action college applications usually due by Nov. 1 or Nov. 15
- Begin to apply for scholarships

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

- Verify all of your deadlines
- Send out completed college applications (if you haven't already). Don't wait for your test scores.
- Apply for scholarships
- Attend Financial Aid Night
- Finish semester strong academically!

JANUARY / FEBRUARY

- Complete FAFSA as soon as possible after Jan. 1st
- Send out completed college applications (if you haven't already)
- Complete all forms and processes required by colleges
- Follow up with your chosen colleges to see if they require a mid-year report
- Request mid-year reports for colleges that require them
- Check with your chosen colleges for scholarship deadlines (generally mid-February)

MARCH / APRIL

- Make your final college choice. Most colleges notify students by mid-April and the national confirmation date is May 1st.
- Notify schools you will not be attending
- Register with the Colorado Opportunity Fund at www.CollegeinColorado.org if attending college in Colorado
- Continue to apply for scholarships
- Finish strong academically!

MAY

- Complete Senior Survey in Family Connection
- Request final transcripts to submit to your chosen college (and NCAA, if applicable)
- Graduation – **CONGRATULATIONS!**