

# TIMELINE FOR COLLEGE PREP JUNIORS

## **February, March & April**

1. Complete scheduling for the senior year.
2. Talk with counselor about future plans. (By spring semester)
3. Make sure senior year classes meet college entrance requirements; do not ease up on academic workload.
4. Sign up to take the SAT/ACT test in the spring. Use "Prep Me" in Naviance to help prepare for the exam.
5. Take some time to familiarize yourself with Naviance (Sign in through your RDS account) This is how you will request transcripts/teacher recommendations for college applications.
6. Write to colleges to establish a rapport. Show that you are interested in attending and request college catalog, application for the following year, open house and financial aid information.

## **April 6**

Deadline to sign up to take the SAT on May 2nd.

## **May 8**

Deadline to sign up to take the ACT on June 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **April 14**

College Night for Junior Parents in the Freshman Center L.G.I. Room at 7:00 p.m. We will be covering the college application process, different types of applications, letters of recommendation, general timelines.

## **April 28**

Take ACT at Lake Central

## **June, July and August**

1. Plan to visit colleges during the summer. Take campus tours and talk to admission and financial aid officers.
2. Attend summer college workshops and classes. (See list of available programs in the guidance office.)
3. Start working on a personal essay. Work on Reading and Vocabulary Skills
4. Go onto Naviance (through your RDS) and create resume to help with teacher recommendations and essays.
5. Go into Scattegrams (Go into Naviance then Family Connections). See where you fit in with grades/test scores and your college of choice.
6. Establish a rapport and ask teachers for recommendations when you return to school in fall.