



COLLEGE PREP CHECKLIST FOR SOPHOMORES

FALL

- ✓ Review your schedule to make sure you have enrolled in challenging classes that will help prepare for college.
- ✓ Establish strong study habits, use time management techniques with your planner, and earn good grades.
- ✓ Learn to ask for help immediately if difficulties arise.
- ✓ Use the links on the GUIDANCE/BRACE page to research the required courses and tests for colleges you are interested in attending.
- ✓ Continue your calendar reflecting important dates and deadlines.
- ✓ Add to your portfolio with all pertinent information regarding your college preparation. Revise the lists of your abilities, preferences, and personal qualities. Update things you may want to study and do in college.
- ✓ Continue involvement with extracurricular activities, Service Learning, and volunteer projects.
- ✓ Sign-up for the PSAT through our guidance department.
- ✓ Begin to prepare for leadership roles.
- ✓ Attend financial aid night on our campus.
- ✓ Go to college fairs in our area.

WINTER

- ✓ Use the links on the GUIDANCE/BRACE PAGE to learn about college costs and how financial aid works.
- ✓ Visit colleges when they are in session.
- ✓ Find out about college firsthand from friends that are home for the holidays.

SPRING

- ✓ Register for challenging classes.
- ✓ Make a list of questions for your guidance counselor to ask during the registration process.
- ✓ Prepare for your Advanced Placement exams.
- ✓ Look for great summer opportunities – volunteer position, job, internship.
- ✓ Start a summer reading list.

SUMMER

- ✓ Read the books on your summer reading list.
- ✓ Visit college campuses.

NEVER SIGN UP FOR COLLEGE SEARCHES OR FINANCIAL AID SERVICES THAT COST MONEY!