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Freshman Year

July	August	September	October	November	December	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
RESEARCH/EXPLORE CAREERS & MAJORS - NARROW INTERESTS TO START EXPLORING AND ENGAGING IN RELATED ACTIVITIES											
PLAN and MAINTAIN ACTIVITIES - I.E. - CLUB INVOLVEMENT, PROJECTS, VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, RESEARCH, ATHLETICS											
ADD AND EDIT ACTIVITY INFO ON YOUR PROFILE DOC											
Optional: Consider creating a passion project or engaging in an activity that connects your areas of interests.											
	Assess H.S Activities to get involved with	H.S. Club Rush									
8TH GRADE - FEB-APRIL COURSE PLANNING	Academic Year Begins	Assess Courseload/Make any necessary adjustments					EVALUATE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE -> COURSE PLANNING/SELECTION			Finals	
		Sign up for AP/IB Exams, if applicable	Take PSAT, if available					Study for AP & IB Exams, if applicable		Take AP & IB Exams, if applicable	
					Search for Summer Programs/Internships/Courses			Finalize Summer Plans			Summer Program/Internships/Courses
						Apply for Summer Programs/Internships/Courses		Apply for Summer Programs/Internships/Courses			
Campus/Virtual College Visits - Go while in session - See students on the campus - Take Tour - Visit Departments - Bring friends											
		Explore College Admission Requirements				Student Development Workshops: Student Profile, College Research, Resume, Majors Selection					

Sophomore Year

July	August	September	October	November	December	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
RESEARCH/EXPLORE CAREERS & MAJORS - NARROW INTERESTS TO START EXPLORING AND ENGAGING IN RELATED ACTIVITIES											
PLAN and MAINTAIN ACTIVITIES - I.E. - CLUB INVOLVEMENT, PROJECTS, VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, RESEARCH, ATHLETICS											
ADD AND EDIT ACTIVITY INFO ON YOUR PROFILE DOC											
Optional: Consider creating a passion project or engaging in an activity that connects your areas of interests.											
		H.S. Club Rush									
Enter Final Courses & Grades	Academic Year Begins	Assess Courseload/Make any necessary adjustments					EVALUATE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE -> COURSE PLANNING/SELECTION			Finals	
		PSAT sign up, if available	PSAT, if available					Study for AP & IB Exams, if applicable		Take AP & IB Exams, if applicable	
			Sign up for AP/IB Exams								
						Take Diagnostic SAT/ACT via online, in-person, at home - Look at college requirements - Determine if needed					
Summer Program/Internships/Courses					Start Looking for Summer Programs/Internships/Courses						Summer Program/Internships/Courses
						Apply for Summer Programs/Internships		Finalize Summer Plans			
Campus/Virtual College Visits - Go while in session - See students on the campus - Take Tour - Visit Departments - Bring friends											
		Explore College Admission Requirements				Student Development Workshops: Student Profile, College Research, Resume, Majors Selection					

Junior Year

July	August	September	October	November	December	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
IDENTIFY 10-15 CAREER INTEREST & 2-4 MAJORS OF INTEREST											
PLAN and MAINTAIN ACTIVITIES - I.E. - CLUB INVOLVEMENT, PROJECTS, VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, RESEARCH, ATHLETICS											
ADD AND EDIT ACTIVITY INFO ON YOUR PROFILE DOC											
Optional: Consider creating a passion project or engaging in an activity that connects your areas of interests.											
		H.S. Club Rush									
Enter Final Courses & Grades	Academic Year Begins	Assess Courseload/Make any necessary adjustments					EVALUATE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE -> COURSE PLANNING/SELECTION				
ACT/SAT prep program, if applicable Sign up for ACT/SAT		Sign up for AP/IB Exams				Take ACT/SAT, if applicable					
			Take PSAT					Study for AP & IB Exams, if applicable		Take AP & IB Exams, if applicable	Finals
Summer Program/Internships/Courses					Start Looking for Summer Programs/Internships/Courses						
						Apply for Summer Programs/Internships		Finalize Summer Plans			Summer Program/Internships/Courses
Campus/Virtual College Visits - Go while in session - See students on the campus - Take Tour - Visit Departments - Bring friends											
		Review College Application Requirements Review Suggested List of Colleges Based on Major			Build/Finalize Balanced College List Based on Projected Likelihood Explore College Specific Major Offerings			Complete Activity Descriptions Student Profile Sheet			
								Finalize Major Interests @ Each College Applying To 1st & Alternate Majors			
						Pre-Application Workshops: Student Profile, College Research, Resume, Majors Selection,					
							Application Workshops: Main Essay, Supplemental Essay, Common App				
								Common App Essay Prompts released Essay Development Workshops Start Main Common App Essay		UC PIQ topics released Essay Development Workshops Start UC Essays Brainstorm Ideas for Essays	
									ESSAYS	ESSAYS	ESSAYS
								Pre- Request Letters of Recommendations			

Senior Year

July	August	September	October	November	December	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
PLAN and MAINTAIN ACTIVITIES				MAINTAIN INVOLVEMENT IN ACTIVITIES							
Optional: Consider creating a passion project or engaging in an activity that connects your areas of interests.											
		H.S. Club Rush									
Enter Final Courses & Grades	Academic Year Begins	Assess Courseload/Make any necessary adjustments		BE SURE TO MAINTAIN YOUR GRADES							**Graduation!**
		Submit official ACT/SAT to colleges, if applicable Sign up for AP/IB Exams						Study for AP & IB Exams, if applicable		Take AP & IB Exams, if applicable	
Summer Program/Internships/Courses											
College Application Workshops: Common App, UC, CSU, Main Essay, Supplemental Essay, Study Hall											Confirm College Has All Information Needed
Finish UC and Main Common App Essays	Supplemental Essays Released		Submit EA (Early Action - Non-Binding) ED (Early Decision - Binding) Apps		Receive EA/ED Notifications		Receive Regular Admission Notifications				Send Final High School Transcript
ESSAYS	**ESSAYS & Supplemental Essays**	**ESSAYS & Supplemental Essays**	**ESSAYS & Supplemental Essays**					Sign up for Housing & Freshmen Orientation			Send AP Exam scores to your college
Finalize College List Finalize UC Essays	Common Application Refresh UC Application Opens	Final Application Audits			Check College Portals- send mid-year reports and any required financial documents				Submit Intent to Enroll by May 1st		
				Submit Regular Decisions Applications							
Complete Parent Brag Sheet/ Evaluation/Survey Complete Student Brag Sheet/ Evaluation/Survey			Submit Financial Aid Forms, if necessary								
			Submit UC Application: Due Nov. 30 Submit CSU Application: Due Nov. 30 **Submit All Applications before the holiday break**								
Submit FERPA and Final List to High School Counselor H.S Counselor: Request Transcripts, Counselor Recommendations, Request Secondary School Report (If applicable) Teachers: Request Teacher Evaluations (if applicable) Other recommender(s): Request Other Recommenders (if Applicable)											