

SEPTEMBER 2021

For you, if you are
in 11th grade.



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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- PSAT plans?** Find out the date for this year's PSAT exam, typically in October. Sign up and begin preparing
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OCTOBER 2021

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DO'S

- Explore career options.** Job shadow a friend or family member for a day.
Take advantage of career exploration opportunities at school (field trips, guest speakers, etc.).
Do some research online, investigating career opportunities and the level of education required, average salaries, and projected growth in the industry.

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NOVEMBER 2021

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- College matchmaker tools.**
Explore online tools for matching your interests and goals with colleges that might be a good fit for you.
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JANUARY 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- Research program-specific admission requirements** to be sure you have time to pursue and complete requirement before submitting your application.

For example, visual and performing arts programs often require auditions or portfolio reviews for which you will need to prepare in advance. Admission to some health care programs requires documented volunteer service hours. Knowing these extra requirements ahead of time will ensure that you have time to complete them.

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FEBRUARY 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- Learn about financial aid** – scholarships, grants, and other types of aid that can make your college dream a reality.
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MARCH 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DO'S

- Find out and **make note of admission deadlines** for the top colleges you plan to apply to.
- Start looking into **scholarships** (merit based, need based) and how to apply.
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APRIL 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DO'S

- Begin thinking about who you'll ask to write a **letter of recommendation** for you—teachers, counselors, coach, etc.
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MAY 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DO'S

- Apply for summer job or internship.
- Next year's class schedule.**
As you select classes and plan your schedule for next school year, consider your goals for career and college and plan your class selections to align with your end goals.
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JUNE 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- Get a summer job** – save for college!
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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- Hit the road!** Schedule visits and tours to your top pick colleges.
- Explore career options.** Job shadow a friend or family member for a day to get a better idea of what it's like to work in the field of your intent.

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AUGUST 2022

For you, if you are in 11th grade, going into 12th.

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- Write a first draft of your **application essays**.
- Applying early decision?**
Begin working on your application.
- Research program-specific admission requirements** to be sure you have time to pursue and complete requirement before submitting your application.

For example, visual and performing arts programs often require auditions or portfolio reviews for which you will need to prepare in advance. Admission to some health care programs requires documented volunteer service hours. Knowing these extra requirements ahead of time will ensure that you have time to complete them.

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DO'S

- College fairs + high school visits.**
Find out if the colleges you are interested in will be visiting your high school this fall or will be at college fairs near you.
- At collegeboard.org, find the dates for **upcoming SAT exams, subjects tests, and AP exams**. Schedule and sign up for your exams.

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OCTOBER 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DO'S

- College fairs + high school visits.**
Find out if the colleges you are interested in will be visiting your high school this fall or will be at college fairs near you.
- Connect with admissions counselors**
at your top pick colleges to be sure you are kept up to date with admissions deadlines and procedures.
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NOVEMBER 2022

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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) deadline, **November 15**
- Early decision application deadline, **November 15**
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COLLEGE PLANNING TO DOS

- Organize your info.**
Use a file box or accordion folder to store and organize college brochures, financial aid info, and other helpful documents for quick reference.
- Preferred date for regular decision application, **January 1, 2023.**
- Deadline for FAFSA and regular decision application, **February 1, 2023.**
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