

Senior Year Academic Timeline

1st Semester

September

- Check transcripts for accuracy-go to your ABI account and check Graduation Status
- Create an account for your Official Transcripts thru Parchment on Guidance Website
- Review and note all college admissions requirements and deadlines.
- Register for SAT Reasoning Test, SAT Subject Tests, and/or ACT tests
- Complete Recommendation Request Form and give it appropriate Teachers
- Work on rough drafts of applications and essays

October-November

- Submit early decision/early action applications
- Begin working on UC and CSU applications (CSU application window opens 10/1).
- Research scholarship opportunities throughout entire senior year
- FAFSA ID for yourself and another for a parent (so you can sign your FAFSA online - www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Sign up and take the ASVAB test if Military Bond, October 20
- Submit college applications for UC and CSU (deadline is Nov. 30th).
- Send transcripts and test scores to colleges (if using Send Edu or Common App, you counselor will do this for you but you still have to order Official Transcripts at the end of year)
- Check with each campus' housing services to determine if your housing application is due at the time you submit your general application for admission.
- CHECK YOUR EMAIL WEEKLY
- Complete your FAFSA application to qualify for FREE money for College

December

- Make sure your official SAT and ACT scores were sent to the colleges you've applied to.
- Submit remaining college applications if appropriate.
- Check college web portal accounts for important to-do lists. (WEEKLY)
- Keep studying and end semester strong with your Finals
- Keep researching Scholarship opportunities (below are a few websites you can use)

Bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-College Board Scholarship Finder

CaliforniaCollege.edu-Search for colleges and career, discover your interest, and get financial aid info

collegeboard.com/student/pay - CollegeBoard.com Pay for College section will help you learn about college financing, financial aid applications, scholarships, loans and more. Be sure to check out their Financial Aid Calendar to help you stay ahead of deadlines.

csac.ca.gov - Comprehensive information about the Cal Grant program.

fastweb.com - A leading resource for targeted scholarships, financial aid, college search, and career advice.

FAFSA.gov-Free application for Federal Student Aid

icanaffordcollege.com - Financial aid information for students applying to the California Community Colleges.

wiche.edu/wue/students - Check out the Western Region schools where you can receive a discount on your tuition!

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2nd Semester

January-February

- ❑ Continue submitting college applications if appropriate.
- ❑ Contact college admissions offices to be sure they've received all necessary materials.
- ❑ Apply to MSJC and other community colleges.
- ❑ Continue to check college web portal accounts(WEEKLY)
- ❑ Local Scholarships - See Scholarship Bulletin on Counseling Website
- ❑ Submit application for DOLLARS for SCHOLARS, get info from Counseling Office
- ❑ If you've received your [Student Aid Report](#) (SAR) after submitting a FAFSA, make any needed corrections and return it for processing.
- ❑ Contact the financial aid offices of the schools you're applying to and make sure you have submitted all necessary information. Ask the financial aid offices how you should proceed if you have made corrections on your SAR.

March – April

- ❑ March 1st is the priority deadline to submit Cal Grant and FAFSA forms
- ❑ Review, compare, and respond to acceptance offers.
- ❑ If placed on waitlist, contact school to reiterate interest.
- ❑ Continue California Community College application, assessment, and orientation/counseling processes.
- ❑ Check college web portal accounts for to-do lists and placement testing requirements
- ❑ CSU-bound students: Make sure to register for ELM and EPT math and English placement tests (if required).
- ❑ Make decision of which school you will attend and send in necessary deposits (deadline is often May 1st).

May-June

- ❑ Take AP exams if applicable.
- ❑ Keep studying and finish your Finals Strong
- ❑ June 7th GRADUATION!!!
- ❑ Use [PARCHMENT](#) account to request for Official Transcripts to be sent to school
- ❑ Complete housing documentation if applicable.
- ❑ Review and complete student loan documentation if applicable.
- ❑ Register for CA Community College classes by Priority deadlines.
- ❑ Continue checking college web portal accounts (DAILY)

AFTER GRADUATION

- ❑ Contact college to determine when tuition and housing fees are due
- ❑ Finalize housing plans.
- ❑ Participate in summer orientation/advising programs for new students.
- ❑ Remember that you must reapply for financial aid each year you are in college. Work with your school's financial aid office to arrange for financing for subsequent years.