

Junior Timeline 2018-19 School Year

November-December

- **Utilize Naviance** <https://student.naviance.com/mat> to assist in your preliminary college, career and scholarship searches. **Apply for scholarships through Naviance!**
Sign on information for Naviance: Username- McKeel email address, Password- date of birth in full, no slashes or dashes (i.e. 111021999)
- If needed, continue process for dual enrollment registration for 2nd semester (i.e.- retake PERT, complete high school approval form, register at PSC).
- **Register for the SAT** sat.collegeboard.org **and/or ACT** www.actstudent.org. It is recommended that you take both tests at least one time and which ever test you do best on is the test you should continue to take to improve scores. It is also recommended you utilize the four **free** score reports for colleges at the time you register for these test. After the fact it is approximately \$13 per test sent to each school. If you are on free or reduced lunch you are eligible for two fee waivers for SAT and two fee waivers for ACT (see Mrs. Mudge).
- Register and complete your online course requirement for graduation. NEEDS to be completed by May 24th, 2019.

January

- Continue college, career and scholarship searches on Naviance and begin adding colleges to “Colleges I’m interested in” in Naviance. **Apply for scholarships through Naviance!**

February-March

- Develop a senior schedule that is rigorous and focuses on your interests. (Complete course request)
- Determine if you will be enrolling as a Full Time Early Admission student.
- Attend college fairs, open houses and other college opportunities.
- Build your resume on Naviance. Enter all activities, community service, leadership positions, awards, etc. should have this completed by the end of March.

April

- Plan/go on college visits during Spring Break,
- Virtual tours are available as well. <http://www.campustours.com/>
- Consider your summer options: college seminars, dual enrollment, internship or employment in order to strengthen your resume.
- Complete senior internship application; see Mrs. Gingras for more details. Internships are to be completed over the summer.
- If you are an athlete and planning to earn a scholarship for athletics, you must register with the *NCAA Eligibility Center* (<http://www.eligibilitycenter.org/>) or the *NAIA Organization* (www.naia.org/) to ensure your eligibility for participation in college sports depending on the college you are looking into.
- If interested in attending one of the U.S. Military Academies the initial application and congressional nomination processes begin now. Contact each service academy directly.
- **Begin adding colleges to “Colleges I’m interested in” in Naviance.**

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May

- If taking dual enrollment over the summer or fall complete high school approval form, register at PSC and take PERT if needed. This needs to be completed before the last day of school.
- Talk to your parents about college costs. Visit college websites and use financial resources such as Net Price Calculators for your desired schools.
- Consider which teachers you would like to write recommendation letters on your behalf for colleges and scholarships. Allow them two weeks to write the recommendation and provide an academic resume so they can personalize your recommendation.

June-July

- Individual Senior Conferences with Mrs. Mudge (Mandatory that parent(s)/guardian(s) attend meeting).
- Complete your 60-hour internship over the summer.
- Complete Advanced Placement summer assignments, if applicable.
- Narrow your college list to four or five schools. Only apply to schools you are willing and able to attend. And add the schools you have chosen to your "Colleges I'm applying to" list in Naviance.
- Utilize the College Application Tracker at the following link: <http://www.mckeelacademy.com/uploads/acad/CollegeApplicationTracker.pdf>
- Consult the Common Application, Coalition Application and College Application websites to determine the essays and supplemental essay(s) you will need to compose (UF and FSU will open in early August). Begin developing and writing your personal essays.
- Begin Early Action/Early Decision.
- Investigate outside sources for financial aid. **Apply for scholarships through Naviance!**

August

- Begin applying to colleges. Most college applications open on August 1st (some July 1st). The earlier the better!
- Submit Transcript request and indicate colleges you have applied to on Naviance.

September

- Attend Senior Parent Night- information for senior year and financial aid presentation.

October

- Complete the Florida Financial Aid (Bright Futures) and FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

REMINDER: You should continually be referencing the bold tasks for each month.