



# Senior Calendar

*Every Second Counts 2009–2010*

## September

- Congratulations! You are a senior!
- Get organized! Set up a file system for general information, colleges, test results, grades, and financial aid
- Join California Scholarship Federation/National Honor Society
- Contact the College and Career Center to sign up for ROP courses throughout the year
- Register online for the ACT/SAT I/II, if needed
- Sign up to meet with college representatives in the College and Career Center now through December.
- Check out college catalogs, videos, CD-ROMs, and the internet from the College and Career Center
- Narrow your college list to 6-8 colleges
- Visit Collegeboard.com or collegematchmaker.com
- Research scholarships
- If you know where you want to go to college, check for *Early Decision* options
- Attend Back-to-School Night
- Give Secondary School Reports and requests for Letters of Recommendation to counselors and teachers
- Keep up your participation in study groups, and tutorial

## October

- Attend CSU and UC application workshops
- Take the SAT I/ II exams, if necessary
- UC/CSU application period begins
- Register for December SAT/ SAT II
- Take the ACT exam, if necessary
- Work on college applications and essays, especially if applying for Early Decision
- Check out Scholarship opportunities in Guidance through the end of the year
- Purchase a Scholarship Book in the Guidance Office to search for scholarship opportunities

## November

- SAT: To **release and send** SAT scores (which include all previous SAT scores) 1-609-771-7600
- To **send** score reports that include SAT and SAT II scores **that have already been released** 1-866-756-7346 ACT: (319) 337-1313
- End of UC/CSU application period closes

### December

- Take the ACT, if necessary
- Early Decision replies should be received by mid-December

### January

- Parents: Prepare your income tax returns as early as possible for financial aid purposes
- Register for a FAFSA Pin number (both parent and student)
- Attend Financial Aid Night
- Financial Aid Forms (FAFSA) may be sent after January 1-keep copies of everything and get a "Certificate of Mailing. Need assistance? Call 1-800-4-FED-AID
- Check out Scholarship opportunities in the Guidance Office through the end of the year

### February

- Mail financial aid forms by the first week of February at the latest
- Check out Scholarship opportunities in Guidance through the end of the year
- Request that 7th semester transcripts and midyear reports sent to colleges that require them
- Attend Open House

### March

- UC notifications are received from the 1st through the end of the month
- Look for your Student Aid
- Report (SAR) which is a verification of the information provided on the FAFSA
- Submit tax forms, if requested, to the Financial Aid Office of the school you may attend in the fall if you have not received your
- Student Aid Report, contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center at (319) 337-5665
- Take community college placement exams if necessary
- Students should continue to pursue scholarships
- Purchase cap and gown through the Activities Office

### April

- Watch the mail for college acceptance letters
- Revisit schools to make final decisions
- If a college places you on a waiting list for admission, write to the admissions director with new information (fall grades, new honors) to update and strengthen your file choice

### May

- Check deadlines for housing deposits
- Notify the Guidance Department of scholarships/awards received
- Be aware that the colleges you are accepted to will review your 2nd semester grades
- AP Exams administered

### June

- Complete Senior Survey
- Request that your final transcript be sent to your college
- Attend Senior Awards Night
- Request transcripts to be sent to the college you will attend
- **Congratulations! You've done it!**

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