

# **COLLEGE PLANNING TIMELINE**

#### **FRESHMAN YEAR**

- □ Make the most out of high school get involved!
- □ Meet with your school counselor
- □ Plan a challenging course schedule
- □ Explore careers
- □ Learn college entrance requirements
- □ Research college costs
- □ Create a college savings plan

#### **SOPHOMORE YEAR**

- □ Meet with your counselor again
- □ Continue to take challenging courses
- □ Update your career exploration
- □ Take the PSAT or PLAN (ACT)
- □ Gather information on colleges
- □ Compare colleges
- □ Continue with extracurricular activities/join an academic club is possible

#### JUNIOR YEAR

- □ Meet with your counselor again
- □ Continue to take challenging courses
- □ Take the PSAT/PLAN again
- □ Begin a high school portfolio
- □ Investigate scholarships
- □ Sign up for the SAT or ACT
- □ Volunteer



## AUGUST – DECEMBER SENIOR YEAR

- □ Sign up for SAT or ACT
- □ Begin college applications
- □ Check deadlines & apply for scholarships
- Attend college visits at your school
- □ Attend college fair
- □ Study, study, study.....

# JANUARY - MAY

- □ Complete the FAFSA (stat applications too)
- □ Send 1st semester transcripts
- □ Decide on college choice
- □ Track deadlines for registration fees & paperwork
- □ Continue to study

## **MORE RESOURCES**

For more information and resources for college planning visit:

- The College Board
- Petersons
- <u>College Application Checklist</u>

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