

Preparing for College in High School

2019-2020



Welcome

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Welcome & Information

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Is this you when you think about preparing for college?



Checklist by Grade Level



9th Grade Year

Do:

- Create a four-year high school plan
- Take the PSAT 8/9 in October
- Meet with the academic advisor

Recommended:

- Start thinking about your life after school
- Participate in extracurricular activities
- Save for college
- Explore summer opportunities
- Get familiar with the PSAT-related assessments and SAT



10th Grade Year

Do:

- Meet with the academic advisor again
- Take the PSAT/NMSQT in October

Recommended

- Are you interested in attending a U.S. military academy?
- Along with family, do some research about how to obtain financial aid
- Attend college and career fairs
- Participate in school activities or volunteer efforts
- Tour college campuses



11th Grade Year

Fall

Do:

- Take the PSAT/NMSQT in October

Recommended:

- Start with you
- Learn about colleges
- Resource check
- Complete YouScience
- Make a file to manage your college search, testing, and application data
- Estimate your financial aid need



11th Grade Year continued

Winter

Do:

- Sign up to take SAT/ACT
 - ACT - 1/18/20; 1/28/20
 - SAT - 2/14/20; 4/3/20
- Meet with the academic advisor

Recommended:

- Begin a search for financial aid sources
- Consider taking SAT Subject Tests (specific test dates)
- Opt in to the College Board Opportunity Scholarships

 CollegeBoard

SAT[®]

ACT[®]

11th Grade Year continued

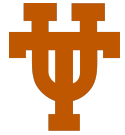
Spring

Do:

- Take the SAT/ACT

Recommended:

- If you are considering military academies or ROTC scholarships, contact counselor
- Develop a list of 15 or 20 colleges that are of interest to you
- Stay open to all the possibilities - don't limit your search
- Start to gather documents for financial aid



11th Grade Year Continued

Summer

Do:

- Get your FSA ID
- Find out how to apply for school

Recommended:

- Register with the NCAA
- Find a full-time or part-time job, or participate in summer camp or a summer college program
- Visit colleges
- Create a resume
- Scan local newspapers



12th Grade Year

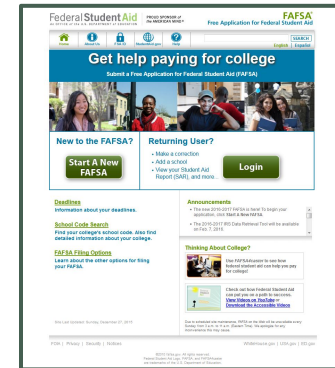
Fall

Do:

- Send your scores to colleges to which you are applying
- Complete the FAFSA which opens October 1 (and CSS profile if needed)
- Prepare early decision/early action or rolling admissions applications ASAP
- Apply to College
- Request transcripts be sent to colleges

Recommended:

- Strengthen your college list
- Create a master list or calendar
- Improve your score
- Ask for recommendations if needed



12th Grade Year Continued

Winter

Do:

- If your college needs second-semester grades, be sure to request them

Recommended:

- Keep photocopies as you finish, and send your applications and essays



12th Grade Year Continued

Spring

Do:

- Ask school to send final transcripts to your college
- Send deposit to only one college
- Keep active in school
- Inform every college of your acceptance or rejection of the offer of admission and/or financial aid by May 1

Recommended:

- Visit your final college before accepting if possible
- Waitlisted?
- Work with counselor to resolve any admission or financial aid problems
- Review financial aid awards





University Representatives

Universities on Campus

Abilene Christian University - Tunisia Singleton, Senior Admissions Counselor

- Business
- Sciences
- Ministry



Baylor University - Clairissa Talley, Admissions Counselor

- Sciences (specifically Pre-Med)
- Engineering and Computer Science Department
- Business



Universities on Campus

Lubbock Christian University - Chris Hayes, Director of Admissions



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- Pre-Health Professional Studies (Pre-Med, Pre-Nursing, Pre-Vet, Pre-Physical Therapy)
- Business Majors (Accounting, General Business, Marketing)
- Education (Elementary and Secondary)

Texas State University - Terry Vaught, Senior Admissions Counselor

- Criminal Justice
- Fine Arts (Any major)
- Business



Universities on Campus

Oklahoma Christian University - Kenny Fox, Admissions Counselor

- Engineering
- Nursing
- Gaming and Animation



University of Texas at Austin - Wienson Tran, Admissions Counselor

- STEM
- Business
- Engineering



Universities on Campus

University of Texas at Dallas - William Henning, Admissions Counselor



- Business
- Biological and Biomedical Sciences
- Engineering



Want to Know More!?!?!?

Explore our website:

www.brentwoodchristian.org/

Come to our Navigating College presentation next Thursday, September 5, 2019 in the Chapel at 6pm. Learn more about applying to college, financing college, and more!