

## Timeline: Applying to College

*The following is a typical timeline, check with each college for individual deadlines and application procedures!*

- September: Attend appointment with your guidance counselor & obtain senior college packet/forms  
Create a Common App account on [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)  
Begin your "College Application Process" steps in your senior packet  
Request letters of recommendation from teachers *in person* after completing the FERPA  
Complete Activity Resume & hand in to guidance and teachers for recommendations  
Write, edit and rewrite your College Essay  
ACT testing available
- October - December: Apply online via [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org) or college website  
Enter "Colleges I am Applying to" & "Teacher Recommendations" into Naviance  
Submit College Processing Forms to guidance for ALL schools in which you apply  
Complete CSS Profile, if required, online at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)  
Send SAT/ACT scores to colleges via SAT/ACT website  
Research Scholarships utilizing Naviance as well as web resources
- October: Begin FAFSA Application Process Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, Follow link on Naviance  
SAT & ACT testing available  
Attend College Fair Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm @ Radisson Hotel - Hauppauge  
Complete NCAA Clearinghouse Application online – Athletes Only  
Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> Early Action/Early Decision College App Processing Forms due in guidance  
Attend Financial Aid Information Workshop October 16th
- November: SAT testing available  
Early Decision & Early Action deadlines (Nov 1<sup>st</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup>)  
\*\*\*Watch for Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> college deadlines \*\*\*
- December: SAT & ACT testing available  
Early Decision & Early Action decisions released ~ starting Dec 15<sup>th</sup> - January
- January - March: Watch college admission application deadlines!!
- March & April: Hear from your schools regarding admission decisions!  
Compare Financial Aid Packages offered from your schools  
Apply for Local Scholarships, Info and Applications on Naviance
- May: Decide where you want to go and send your deposit!  
Update Naviance with ALL college admission decisions you received  
Hand in Final Transcript Request Forms for the college you are attending
- June: **GRADUATION!!!!**

***Be aware of Application, Scholarship, FAFSA & CSS Profile deadlines at each school you are applying.***