

College Counseling

**Senior Year Timeline**

Over the next few months, your focus should be on building your college list, finalizing SAT/ACT testing, completing your resume, and submitting applications to colleges.

The timeline below will help keep you on track.

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| **WHEN** | **WHAT** | **WHO** |
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| Late Summer | **Finalize College List**  Finalize your list of 5 – 7 colleges; take time to review each school’s  admissions requirements and deadlines; put all deadlines on your calendar. | Student  with support of Parents and Counselors |
| **Complete the following in August:**   * Student Resume * Common App sections * Common App essay   (all to be reviewed by college counselors) | Student |
| Fall National  Test Dates  (**SAT:** 8/23, 9/13, 10/4, 11/8, 12/6 | **ACT:** 9/6, 10/18, 12/13) | **SAT and ACT Tests**  For students who want to improve their test scores and position themselves well for both admission and merit scholarships purposes. | Student |
| Fall | **College Visits**  Students are allowed five visit days between Junior and Senior year. | Students and Parents |
| August - November | **College Admission Rep Visits**  Attend presentations and visits when College Admission representatives visit Landmark during the school day. | Students |
| **Individual Senior Meetings +**  **Application Workshops**  Meet with college counselors for guidance through the application process. Attend College Application Workshops and utilize office hours. | Student and Counselors |
| September | **Send SAT and ACT Test Scores**  Send SAT test scores directly to colleges via [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org)  and ACT scores directly to colleges via [act.org](http://act.org) | Student |
| **Finalize College Essays and Supplemental Questions** | Student  with support of Counselors |
| **Complete College Applications**  Complete college applications via one or more of the following online platforms: Common App, Scoir, or Institutional Applications. |
| October | **Honors College Applications**  Research Honors College requirements and deadlines, as these applications often require separate applications. | Student |
| November - April | **Research and Apply for Outside Scholarships**  Consult scholarship database and search engines. | Student  with the support of Parents and Counselors |
| October - January | **Federal and State Aid Applications**   1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid **(FAFSA)** 2. Complete the online Georgia Student Finance Application **(GSFAPP)** | Student and Parents |
| Fall/Spring | **Maintain Good Grades**  *Note*: *First semester grades, also known as “Mid-Year Transcript/Report” will be sent to the colleges that request them as a part of the admissions review– even if you have already been accepted Early Action. The same applies for students who have been “Deferred” from Early Action schools.* | Student |
| April | **National Decision Day**  All colleges will release their admissions decisions by April 1. | Colleges and Universities |
| May | **National College Decision Day**  The deadline to notify your college of choice of your plan to attend is May 1.  Your confirmation deposit is due by this date as well. | Student and Parents |
| **AP Exams** | Student |
| **Senior Chapel, Baccalaureate and Graduation** | Student |
| June | **Final High School and DualEnrollment Transcripts**  Once final grades are in, the college counselors will send your official final high school transcript. Dual Enrollment transcripts must be requested *directly* from the student or parent via [www.truett.edu](http://www.truett.edu). | Student and College Counselors/Registrar |
| July | **HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships Finalized**  **(In-State colleges, only)**  Once finalized, the Georgia Student Finance Commission will communicate with your in-state institution’s Financial Aid Office. Expect to see this change reflected on your award letter in the coming weeks. | In-State Colleges and Universities, Georgia Student Finance Commission |