

Junior Year Preparing for College

August - September

- Make a folder in your Google Drive and label it 'College'.
- Find out when ACT and SAT are offered. You will need to register about 6 weeks ahead of time. (You will take one of these tests in the spring at school, but it is a good idea to take both.)
- Study for the ACT / SAT. See the 'Test Prep' page on the school counseling page of gtchs.org.
- Start developing a resume. Use Tallo, Naviance, or Google Docs. List activities, jobs, volunteer work, awards, special training etc.

September- October

- Sign up to take the PSAT again in October. Some scholarships use this score.
- Plan to attend college fairs.
- Make a list of the colleges that you are interested in.
 - Research the requirements for admissions. Do they have the major you want?
 - Read the freshman profile on each college's website. Look on their social media to get a feel for the school environment.
 - Plan to visit these schools in-person or virtually.

November-December

- Are you interested in specific schools? Check out their majors and the course catalogs to find out what is required for the major.

January-February

- Keep studying for ACT / SAT. Sign up for one with the school and the other on your own.

March-April

- Take either the SAT or ACT at school. Plan to take the other on your own.
- Have your IGP and plan out senior year. Have in mind in general what classes your major will require. This will help with some decisions you will make during your IGP.

June - July

- You will be emailed your final junior year transcript. Save it in the 'College' folder in your drive, because you will use this when filling out applications and applying for scholarships.
- Update your resume.
- Make a list of colleges you plan to apply to in a Google Doc.
 - List deadlines for applications.
 - Research the college specific scholarships and list any deadlines for those applications.

August

- Some applications open August 1st. You may begin applying, but do not send requests for teacher recommendations or transcripts until you have completed the College 101 session led by Mrs. Burrow and Mrs. Peters.