12TH GRADE/SENIOR YEAR

SPRING SEMESTER

JANUARY

- Request that your high school send your official transcripts to the colleges to which you are applying.
- Contact the admissions office of the college(s) to which you have applied to make sure that your information has been received, and that they have everything they need from you.



FEBRUARY

- If you completed the <u>FAFSA</u>, you should receive your Student Aid Report (SAR) within 2-3 weeks if you applied via paper. If you applied on-line, you can receive results via e-mail by the next business day after electronic submission. If corrections are needed, correct and return it to the FAFSA processor promptly.
- Complete your scholarship applications.
- Contact the financial aid office of the college(s) to which you have applied to make sure that your information has been received, and that they have everything they need from you.

MARCH/APRIL

- If you haven't received an acceptance letter from the college (s) to which you applied, contact the admissions office.
- Compare your acceptance letters, financial aid and scholarship offers.
- When you choose a college that has accepted you, you may be required to pay a nonrefundable deposit for freshman tuition (this should ensure your place in the entering freshman class).

MAY

- Take the <u>Advanced Placement (AP)</u> exams for any AP subjects you studied in high school.
- You should make a decision by May 1 as to which college you will be attending and notify the school by mailing your commitment deposit check. Many schools require that your notification letter be postmarked by this date.



• If you were placed on a waiting list for a particular college, and have decided to wait for an opening, contact that college and let them know you are still very interested.

JUNE

- Have your school send your final transcripts to the college which you will be attending.
- Contact your college to determine when fees for tuition, room and board are due and how much they will be.



SUMMER

- Participate in any summer orientation programs for incoming freshmen.
- Now that you know you will be attending college in the fall, it is a good idea to evaluate whether to get student health insurance in case of any unforeseen emergencies or whether your family's insurance coverage is sufficient.

Source: US Department of Education, http://www.studentaid.ed.gov