



RISING SENIOR



FALL COLLEGE PLANNING TOP 5 LIST

SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER

Reminder: Every form cited below and information you need to know is in the “Senior Class-College and Career Planning” folder located under the “Materials” tab within the course entitled “Class of 2024” in all seniors’ Schoology accounts.

- **1:** Ask for teacher/counselor/work supervisor/community service supervisor recommendations as various schools will require various kinds of letters. Complete your [recommendation profile form](#) for your school counselor and others to craft the letters. Keep in mind: ten school days are required to process college applications.
- **2:** Work with your school counselor to get your Common Application materials submitted. Fill out [a transcript release form](#) to allow release of your official transcript to colleges.
- **3:** Keep your grades up and stay focused! Counselors will automatically send transcripts at the end of the first semester to schools that require them. If you get deferred or waitlisted by a school, your first semester grades will become even more important!
- **4:** If you are researching schools, a valuable tool that compares all school stats such as cost, average SAT score requirements, majors, and size is [College Scorecard](#), created by the United States government for consumers to compare higher education institutions.
- **5:** Apply for scholarships. The PHS website lists many scholarships including some from local clubs/activities/community service organizations. Find this [here](#) or under the STUDENTS tab of the website.