



RISING SENIOR



WINTER COLLEGE PLANNING TOP 5 LIST

JANUARY - MARCH

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:** Fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) - It’s a new process this year and the form just became available. Even if you don’t think you will qualify for financial aid, fill it out. In order to fill it out, you must apply for an [Federal Student Aid \(FSA\)](#) account number and have your tax documents available from the previous year.
- 2:** Some colleges with rolling admissions will start to notify students of acceptance. Keep a spreadsheet of what each school is offering in terms of aid and final cost so that you can make a good comparison that aids your decision.
- 3:** Some schools will ask you to submit official SAT scores even if they are already on the student’s official transcript. There is a cost associated with this. Some schools will ask for your student to fill out their high school academic record and will compare that to the student transcript. It is a redundant but necessary step to complete applications.
- 4:** If you get asked to apply for an HONORS Program, do it! The interview experience will be valuable and can lead to more aid and opportunities.
- 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.