

FRHS COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

PHASE 1: PREPARATION & RESEARCH SPRING JUNIOR YEAR

- Focus on academics
- Family meeting with your College Counselor spring of junior year
- Take ACT and/or SAT (no earlier than spring semester)
- Research: soul search
- Research: online college search and visits (take advantage of school breaks).
- Discussion of budget parameters.



PHASE 2: ACTIVELY APPLYING FALL SENIOR YEAR

- Student attends College Application Workshop in August of senior year
- Student meets individually with College Counselor before Fall Break
- Visit colleges (take advantage of school breaks)
- Apply to colleges by November 1.
- Ensure all applications are complete and submitted.



PHASE 3: FINANCIAL AID FOCUS FALL/WINTER SENIOR YEAR

- Begin receiving admission decisions and start applying for financial aid and scholarships
- Parents' role: support in filling out financial aid paperwork
- Submit FAFSA after October 1
- If any of your colleges require it, also submit the CSS Profile



PHASE 4: DECISION TIME SPRING SENIOR YEAR

- Review all admission offers and financial aid awards
- Make additional college visits as needed
- Commit to one college by May 1 of senior year