

Community College Checklist

Texas Higher Education: [List of Institutes](#)

Timeline:

- Summer after Senior Year: If you are planning to attend a community college the summer after your senior year, you should complete the following checklist in the spring of your senior year.
- Fall after Senior Year: If you are planning to attend a community college in the fall after your senior year, you should complete the following by mid-June.



Checklist:

- ☐ Have a **High school diploma** or **GED**.
- ☐ **TSIA** – plan to take the **Texas Success Initiative Assessment** or an APPROVED ALTERNATIVE TEST. This is required by state law to help identify students who need additional reading, writing, or math skills to do college-level work. You must take the test **before enrolling** in any college-credit courses.
- ☐ **Application** - Apply online at ApplyTexas.org or download the application in PDF format from the college's website.
- ☐ **FAFSA** – Free **A**pplication for **F**ederal **S**tudent **A**id (you may qualify for grants or low interest loans). Complete steps 1-3 online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> for more information.
- ☐ **Send your transcript** to the community college of your choice. See the registrar on your high school campus; follow your high school campus procedures.
- ☐ **Meet with a community college counselor** for course advising. **Call** to set up an appointment.
- ☐ **Contact the Financial Aid Office** for possible scholarships.