

Junior Family Night

Mapping out the timeline that shapes the transition from junior year to graduation.

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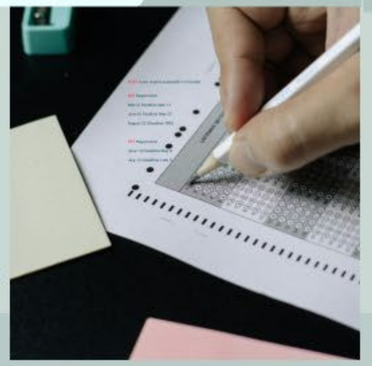


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Check if scores are needed for Merit Aid



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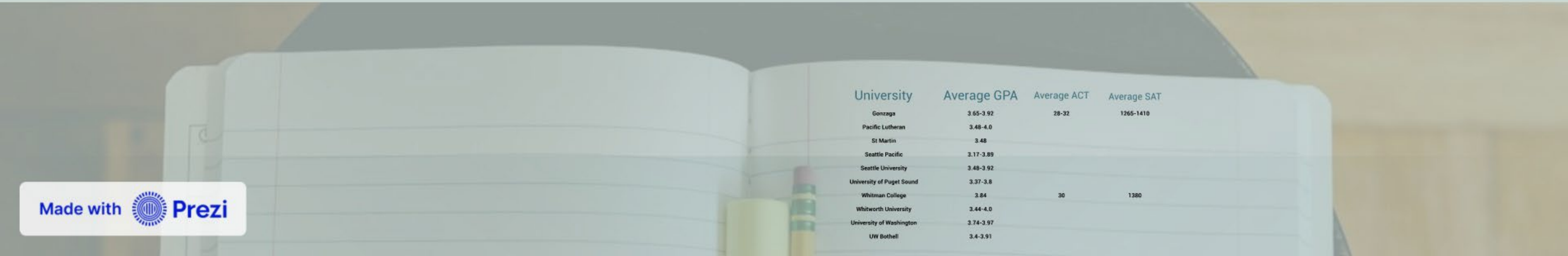
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University	Average GPA	Average ACT	Average SAT
Gonzaga	3.65-3.92	28-32	1265-1410
Pacific Lutheran	3.48-4.0		
St Martin	3.48		
Seattle Pacific	3.17-3.89		
Seattle University	3.48-3.92		
University of Puget Sound	3.37-3.8		
Whitman College	3.84	30	1380
Whitworth University	3.44-4.0		
University of Washington	3.74-3.97		
UW Bothell	3.4-3.91		

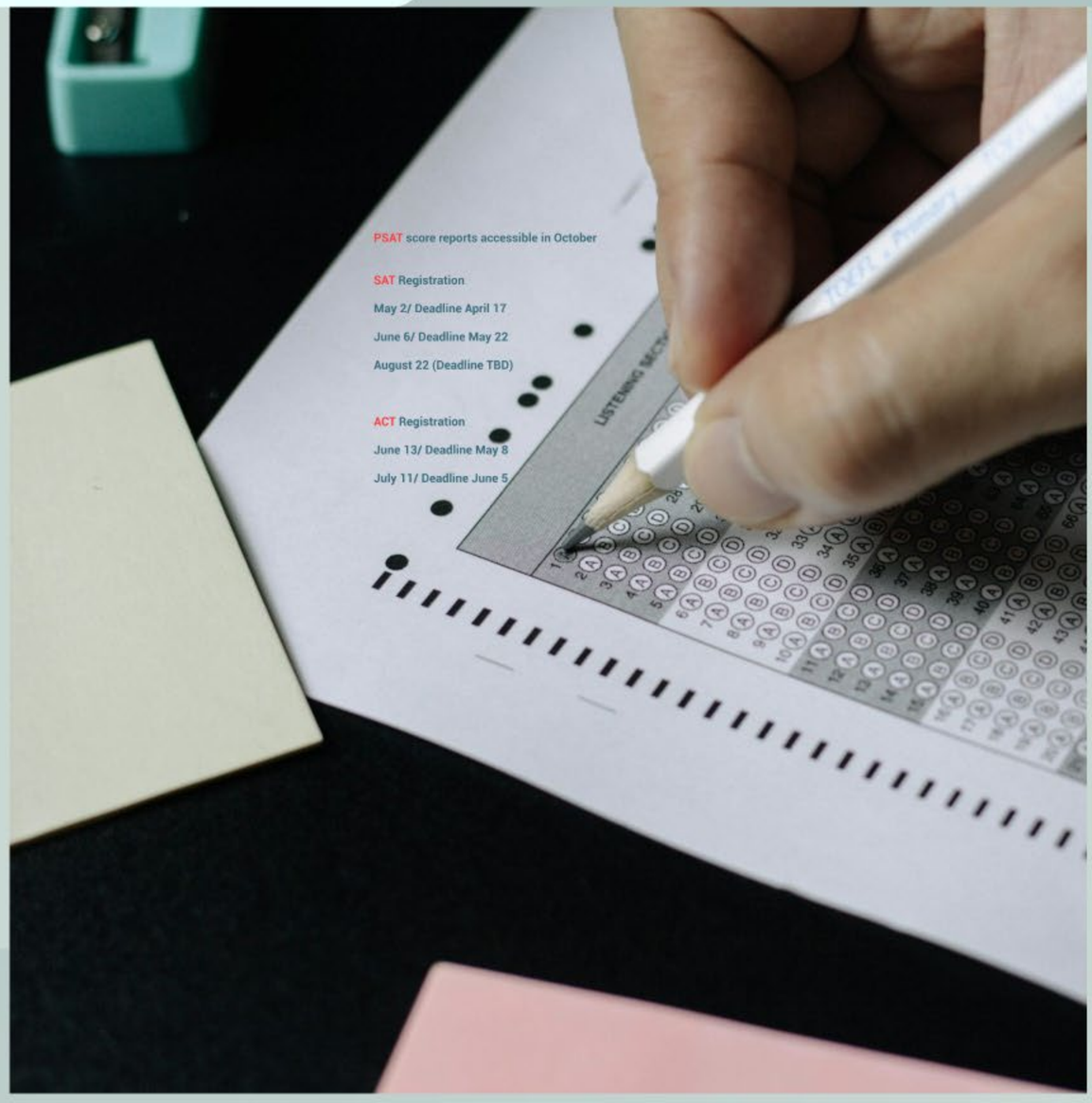
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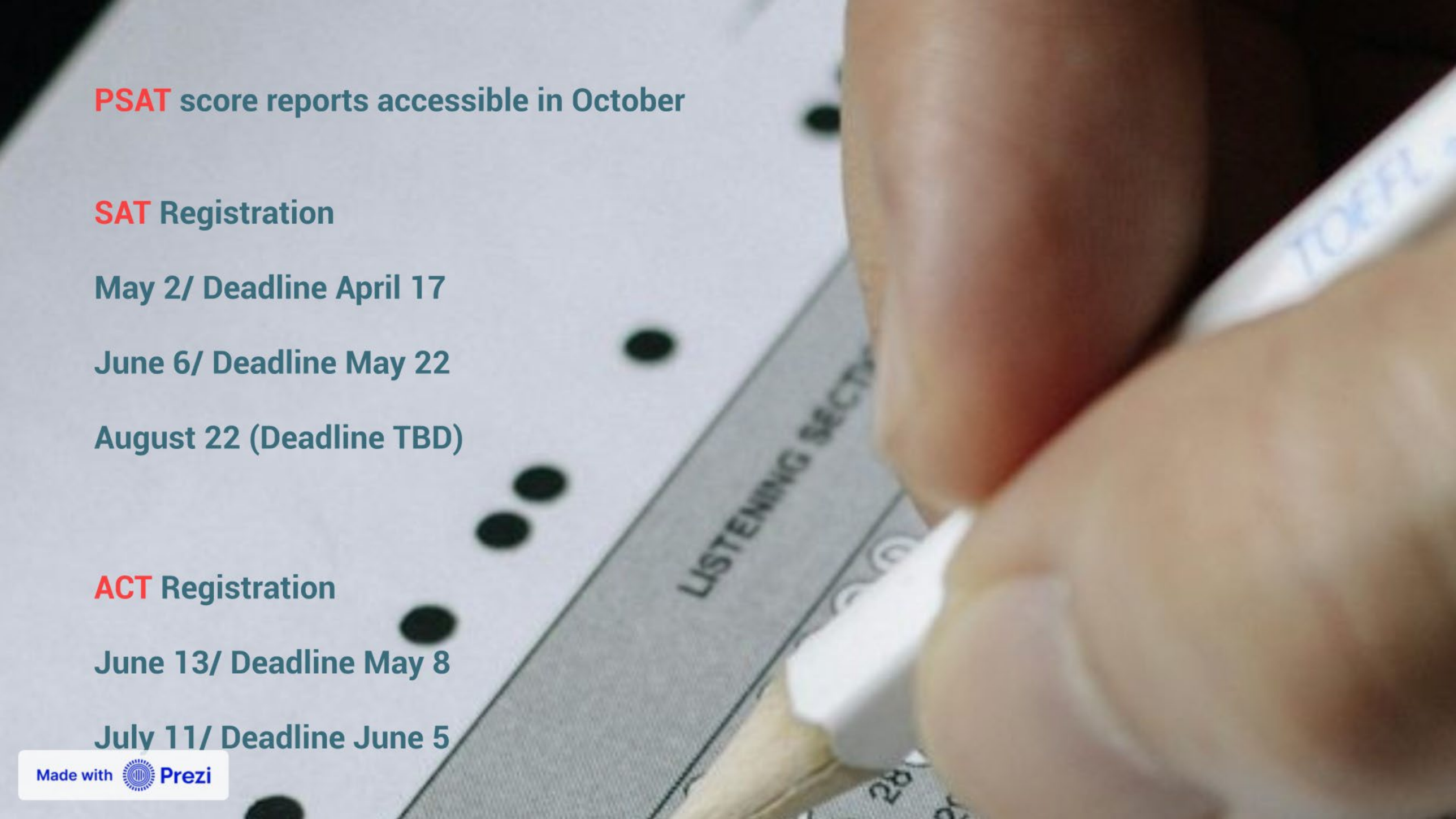
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PSAT score reports accessible in October

SAT Registration

May 2/ Deadline April 17

June 6/ Deadline May 22

August 22 (Deadline TBD)

ACT Registration

June 13/ Deadline May 8

July 11/ Deadline June 5

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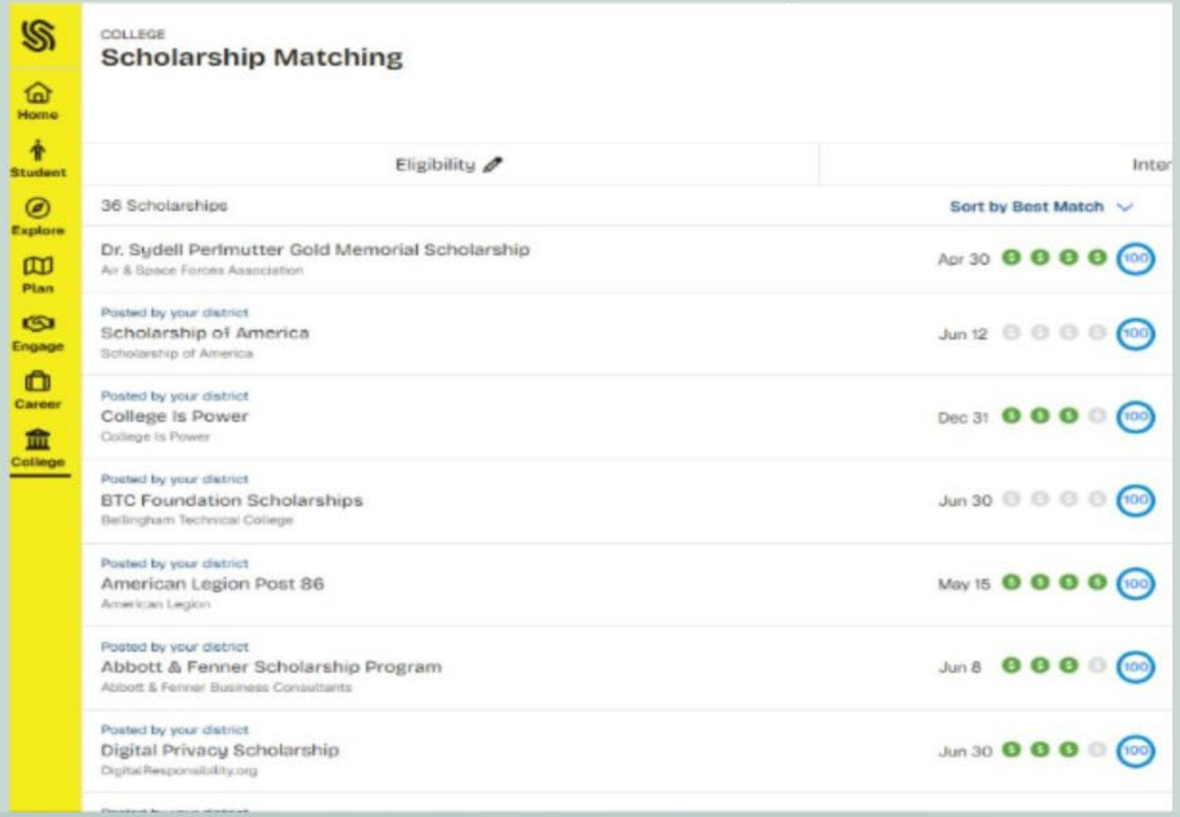
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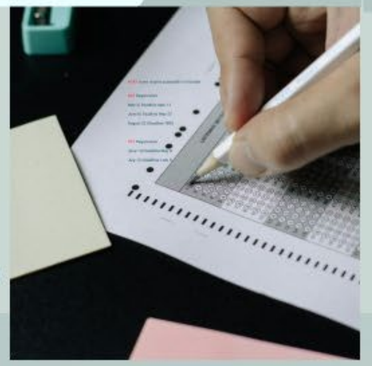


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August/ September 2026

College applications go "live"



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Early Decision/Early Action applications due

Some 4-year applications due (UW - Nov 15th)

Fall Events

BP Cherry Point Field Trip

BPS College Fair at Sehome

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WWU Senior Day

And more!

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Application Tips

Keep a spreadsheet to track application deadlines and requirements.

Plan time for your essay or personal statement.

Request transcripts online.

Dont procrastinate asking for a Letter of Recommendation.

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FINANCIAL AID



Grants	• Income-based, federal, state and institutional.
Scholarships	• Merit and income-based, from public, private, and nonprofit sources.
Loans	• Income-based, federal and private.
Work Study	• Income-based, federal, state and institutional.

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Pell Grant

Federal Work-Study

Unsubsidized/Subsidized Student Loans

Parent Loans

FAFSA®

Federal Student Aid

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Washington College Grant
(also known as the WA Grant)

College Bound

State Work-Study

Passport to Careers

Opportunity Grant

WASHINGTON
OPPORTUNITY PATHWAYS

WASFA
Washington Application
for State Financial Aid



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WUE

The Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program allows students from participating states to pay reduced tuition at member institutions

- Alaska
- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Common Wealth of the Northern Marina Islands
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Montana
- Nevada
- New Mexico
- North Dakota
- Oregon
- South Dakota
- Utah
- Wyoming
- Guam

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EARLY ACTION VS EARLY DECISION

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Early Decision can be used for one college and is binding if you are accepted to the school

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Rolling Admissions/Open Enrollment:

Many colleges allow you to apply at any time for the following quarter.

Specific programs within colleges often have stricter start dates

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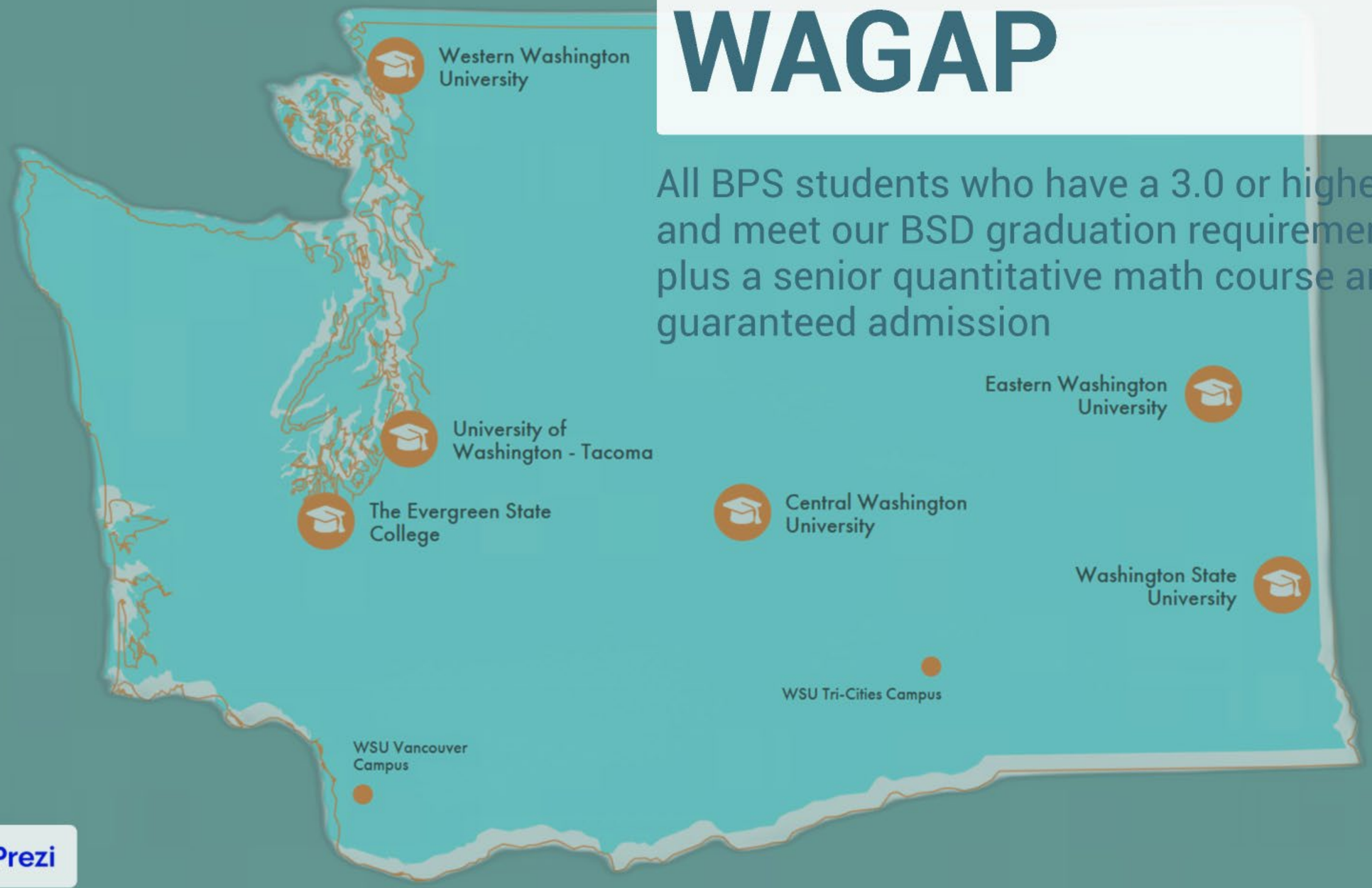
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WAGAP

All BPS students who have a 3.0 or higher and meet our BSD graduation requirement plus a senior quantitative math course are guaranteed admission



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Final Reflections

Website Tour

Balance

Ask for help





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