

May- August 2026

- ☐ **Work** (with ASP) to build a balanced college list
- ☐ **Apply** for [fly-in programs](#) for free visits to many schools!
- ☐ **Research** Colleges @ collegedata.com (the higher the need-met percentage, the better the financial aid!)
- ☐ **Start** brainstorming essay topics and gathering information to fill out applications
- ☐ Parents and students: **SAVE 2025 Tax Return Information** (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, and W2s)

Testing:

- ☐ **Aug. 6:** Register for the Aug. 22 [SAT](#)!
- ☐ **August 14:** Register for the Sep. 11 [ACT](#)!
- ☐ **August 28:** Register for the Sep. 12 [SAT](#)!
- ☐ **Study** for the SAT/ACT using [Khan Academy](#)! (NOTE: If you want to stay in Texas at public universities, most scholarships are tied to SAT/ACT scores. **Certain out-of-state and private schools may be more affordable.**)

September 2026

- ☐ **EVENT 9/12: Attend** the ASP College Kick Off Event! at W.H. Adamson HS
- ☐ Begin **filling out:**
 - ☐ College applications
 - ☐ Application essays
- ☐ **Decide** who is going to write your teacher recommendations
 - ☐ **Ask** if they are willing to provide you with a strong recommendation.
 - ☐ Add them to your SCOIR account!
- ☐ **Make** FSA IDs for the FAFSA www.fsaaid.ed.gov
- ☐ **Order** a 2025 tax return transcript (www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript)
- ☐ **SAVE 2025 Tax Return Information** (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, and W2s)

Testing:

- ☐ **September 11:** Register for the Oct. 17 [ACT](#)
- ☐ **September 18:** Register for the Oct. 3 [SAT](#)!
- ☐ UT, Texas A&M, and any ED/EA applicants **MUST** take the October exam to receive scores in time!!
- ☐ Let us know if you need fee waivers!

October 2026

- ☐ **Early action deadline 10/15:** UT Austin: **Applying** to Honors Programs, **Applying** as a Business or Engineering major, then hit this deadline
 - ☐ **Send official** test scores to UT

- ☐ **Begin** CSS Profile for schools that require it for EA/ED applications.
- ☐ **Collect** supporting documents for IDOCS!
- ☐ **Have applications and essays reviewed** BEFORE submitting!

Testing:

- ☐ **October 23:** Register for the Nov. 7 [SAT](#)!
- ☐ Let us know if you need fee waivers!

November 2026

- ☐ **DEADLINE 11/1 - 11/15:** EA/ED Applications due (Make sure FAFSA and CSS have been submitted)
- ☐ **Thanksgiving Break 11/23 - 11/27: NO PIE UNTIL YOU APPLY:** All applications due by Dec. 1 should be DONE before **Thanksgiving Break** to ensure time for document follow up!
- ☐ **APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

Testing:

- ☐ **Nov. 20:** Register for the Dec. 5 [SAT](#)!
- ☐ **Nov. 6:** Register for the Dec. 12 [ACT](#)
- ☐ Let us know if you need fee waivers!

December 2026

- ☐ **DEADLINE 12/1:** UT and Texas A&M apps (and supporting materials) due
- ☐ **DEADLINE 12/1:** EA & Priority applications due. All TX public schools should be submitted
- ☐ **TBD** FAFSA and TASFA open! **APPLY EARLY** for priority on state/institutional funds~
TASFA students must request tax transcripts and register for selective service (online for DACA or via USPS mail for undocumented)
- ☐ **Turn in your FAFSA confirmation to your ASP College Advisor!**
- ☐ Continue writing supplement essays
- ☐ Adjust college lists as necessary
- ☐ Financial Aid Follow Up/Submit Verification documents
- ☐ **Winter Break 12/21 - 1/5: The Best Present is a Future.** Meet with your ASP Advisor BEFORE the Break.
- ☐ **APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

January 2027

- ☐ **DEADLINES 1/1-1/15:** RD/ED Applications due (Make sure FAFSA and CSS have been submitted)

- ☐ **TBD:** Dallas County Promise Pledge, Partner Applications and Financial Aid due for certain 4-year partners
- ☐ Use applicant portals to make sure colleges have ALL your information for admission and financial aid!
- ☐ Continue college application assistance for students with spring application deadlines
- ☐ **Mid-Year reports and transcripts due**
- ☐ Financial Aid Follow Up/Submit Verification documents
- ☐ Complete CSS Profile for schools that require it
- ☐ APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Testing:

- ☐ **January 22:** Register for Feb. 27 [ACT](#)

February 2027

- ☐ **TBD:** Submit Dallas County Promise Pledge / Dallas College Application
- ☐ Financial Aid Follow Up/Submit Verification documents
- ☐ Complete CSS Profile for schools that require it (final deadlines are in February!)
- ☐ Continue college application assistance for students with Spring deadlines
- ☐ APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Testing:

- ☐ **February 19:** Register for the Mar. 6 [SAT](#)!

March 2027

- ☐ **DEADLINE March 1 & 15:** Major scholarship deadlines (see your college advisor for scholarships)
- ☐ **TBD:** Dallas County Promise FAFSA / TASFA deadline
- ☐ Turn in all acceptances, scholarships, and financial aid letters to ASP (via email, text, or copied document)

- ☐ Check your college portals for updates on your college application status
- ☐ Financial Aid Follow Up/Submit Verification documents
- ☐ APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Testing:

- ☐ **March 5:** Register for April 10 [ACT](#)

April 2027

- ☐ Turn in all acceptances, scholarships, and financial aid letters to ASP (via email, text, or copied document)
- ☐ Financial Aid Follow Up/Submit Verification documents Check your college portals for updates on your college application status
- ☐ Work on making final college choice
- ☐ Follow up with your university/college of choice about orientation and housing for Fall 2027
- ☐ APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Testing:

- ☐ **April 16:** Register for the May 1 [SAT](#)!

May 2027

- ☐ **DEADLINE 5/1:** National College Decision Day - Deposit and sign up for orientation if required by your college!
- ☐ Check your college portals for updates on your college application status
- ☐ Sign up for the **ASP College Transition Workshop** to prepare for your freshman year!
- ☐ Get your meningitis shot! Submit documentation to your college or university.
- ☐ APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
- ☐ Graduation!!
- ☐ YOU DID IT!!!!