








## Be College Ready Checklist

 **Commit to Extracurricular Activities**  
*Leadership, Community Service, Clubs,  
Job, Sports, (show your passion)*

 **Take the most challenging classes You can in high school**  
*AP or Dual Enrollment is beneficial*


 **Take the PSAT fall Junior year**  
*Decide between SAT and ACT for your college test*  
**Study** for your ACT/SAT test -  
*Khan Academy and test prep classes/books*


 **Junior year Research Universities (or before)**  
*List of top 10 Universities*  
*Know Admission Requirements (including ACT range)*  
*Retention, Graduation, Selectivity*


 **ACT/SAT end of Junior year (SAT Subject Tests)**  
*AP tests end of Junior year*


### SUMMER

*Participate in Summer Programs Junior and even Sophomore summer*  
*Contemplate your college essay topic*  
*Visit your schools—in person or virtual (fly-in programs)*  
*Research Scholarships/Grants*


 **Retake ACT/SAT beginning of Senior year (if necessary)**  
*SAT Subject Tests (if applicable)*

 **Complete Common App Fall/Early Winter Senior year**  
*Early Decision and Early Action Choices*  
*College Essay*  
*College Recommendation Letters*  
*Complete CSS Profile on College Board*

 **Send Applications to schools**  
*ACT test scores to schools*

 **Submit FAFSA asap** after Oct 1 - Previous year tax returns

 **Research Scholarships/Grants**

 **Receive Acceptance letters and Decide**  
*Follow up with paperwork*  
*School Specific Scholarships*