

Calendar for Junior Students



OVERVIEW OF YEAR:

- Monitor your grades
- Understand and discuss high school graduation requirements and diploma options listed in the school's course catalog and the 21st Century Course of Study
- Monitor your progress toward earning the Millennium Scholarship and NCAA requirements and understand what is needed to remain qualified <http://nevadatreasurer.gov/millennium>
- Utilize all College & Career Personality Inventories, see the College & Career Center
- Meet with your counselor to continue review of the CCSD Academic Plan
- Update their resume file, collecting awards, activities, community service, employment, etc.
- Prepare for the End of Course exams
- Volunteer for community service and Remain involved in athletics/extra-curricular activities
- Consider summer reading <http://www.collegeboard.com>

September:

- Know your credit status and explore options to retrieve credits if necessary
- Make sure high school courses will meet college requirements
- Explore dual credit options enabling students to earn both high school and college credit
- Research potential colleges in the College & Career Center located in the Library
- Sign-up to attend college presentations at your school

October:

- Take PSAT/NMSQT to enter the National Merit Scholarship Competition; contact counselor for information
- Apply for a Social Security number since it is required on many college and financial aid applications (if applicable)
- Attend College Fair Plus sponsored by the CCSD School Counselors and CCSD <http://www.ccsd.net/collegefair>
- Take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

November:

- Review your transcript; make sure you are on-target to graduate next year
- Get the best grades possible, this will provide the most college options during the application process.

December:

- Keep updated on college news via phone contact, email or internet review
- Get involved in a holiday community service activity

January:

- Review PSAT/NMSQT results for areas of improvement
- Understand when to take the ACT/SAT I
- Prepare for the SAT or ACT by reviewing books with testing tips or sample questions (available in bookstores, online, and in libraries)
- Keep grades up; the Millennium Scholarship depends on it

February:

- Register online for the ACT/SAT I May or June test dates; an early score will qualify for early admission and will help meet the qualifications for scholarships; students who cannot apply online need to see their counselor for an application
- Meet with school counselor to discuss college choices
- Apply for Girls' and Boys' State sponsored by American Legion
- Review your transcript and test scores to determine how competitive the ranges of college choices
- Attend College Readiness Educational Workshops (C.R.E.W.)
- Determine which teachers to ask to write letters of recommendation – Give a resume and two-week turnaround time to complete

March:

- Send emails to colleges requesting information on academics, financial aid, housing, etc.
- Consider taking Advanced Placement (AP) courses in the senior year
- Start scheduling college campus visits; arrange a visit during spring break, since the best time to see a realistic view of a college is when school is in session
- Continue to study for the ACT/SAT
- Register and pay for Advanced Placement (AP) Exams
- Prepare for graduation testing
- Meet with your counselor to review the CCSD Academic Plan and to select courses for the senior year <http://cpd.ccsd.net/guidance/eduplan>

April:

- Apply for military ROTC scholarships
- Apply for military academy admissions: contact senators and/or congressional representative regarding a nomination
- Research federal, state, private, and university-based scholarships by discovering what awards other students in your school and community are receiving
- Evaluate and narrow college choices to top five or six (Reach, Safety)
- Attend Military Academy Night (if interested)
- Take an ACT/SAT Prep Course (information may be found online, in libraries, universities)

May:

- Monitor your preparation to take Advanced Placement exams
 - Register for the June ACT/SAT I
 - Develop your resume
- Confirm college visits for summer and schedule an appointment with a financial aid officer on campus
- Structure summer plans to include advanced academic work, travel, volunteer work, or a job
 - Ask academic teachers for letters of recommendation (provide teachers with resume)

June:

- Take the ACT/SAT I
- Write a draft of the college essay/autobiographical statement
- Review all information received from colleges of choice
- Obtain a summer job that might be related to their career interests
- Save money for senior year and college expenses
- If you are a student athlete, register on line with the NCAA Clearinghouse at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net