

Junior Checklist 2018-2019

August

- Create a **professional** email. No funny emails!
- Continue to access the California Colleges website www.californiacolleges.edu. This **FREE** website can be used to meet your college, career, and financial aid planning goals.
- Please sign up for **Free & Reduced** lunch, to see if you qualify visit www.cnusdnutrition.com. Some of the benefits include College application fee waivers, SAT & ACT fee waivers and AP Exam reduced fee waivers.

October

- Take the PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test). Sign-ups are in the Shark Shop.
- Begin researching possible colleges you are considering.
- Attend the Financial Aid Night at Santiago High School on Oct. 10th, 2018, 5:30pm-6:30 pm in the theatre.
- Attend Santiago's College and Career fair on Oct. 10th, 2018, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Santiago Gym.
- Junior will take the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) **FREE Career Exploration**; The test will be on October 10, 2018 on College Kick Off day!
- Consider taking an SAT/ACT Prep course to help prepare for an upcoming test. Utilize the free website www.khanacademy.org.
- Attend college presentations through the College and Career center. Please see Mrs. Nunez.

December

- Look for your PSAT/NMSQT score report.
- Start planning to take the SAT (www.collegeboard.org) and/or ACT (www.ACT.org) exams. Plan to take the SAT subject test, if necessary.
- Attend college presentations through the career center. Please see Mrs. Nunes.

January

- Go online to research three to five colleges that interest you the most.
- Consider visiting prospective schools. Be sure to meet with an admissions counselor and a Financial Aid Officer.

February

- Visit the largest and most popular free scholarships website www.fastweb.com.
- Visit Santiago's Career Center and learn about the different scholarships available.
- Register and study for the SAT or ACT exams.
- Sign up for a Princeton Review Practice College Admission Test. "Practice makes perfect."
- See your counselor during academic advisement. If necessary, sign up for summer school to make up any A-G courses that are needed.

March

- Register and study for the SAT and/or ACT exams. The Subject test may be required please check your intended school.

April

- Contact the university school website and begin scheduling visits to each of the universities that you are seriously considering.
- Prepare and register for AP exams next month in the Shark Shop.

May

- Take the SAT and/or ACT exams.
- Take the AP exams.
- Begin preparing essays for college admission and scholarships applications.
- Create a resume, including your accomplishments, activities and so on.
- Look for an internship or a summer job that might be related to your career interest.

June

- Register with NCAA if you considering playing college sports. www.eligibilitycenter.org
- Take the SAT and/or ACT exams, if you did not take them last month.
- If possible, save money from your summer job to pay for upcoming college expenses, such as application fees. Application fees average \$70-90.
- Work on your UC's Personal insight questions. <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-questions/freshman/index.html>