



Da Vinci Communications Senior Year Timeline/Checklist

August

- Finalize your college list or career path: [Mapping Your Future: Get to know the different types of schools](#)
- Visit [Going2College](#) for information about career, college and financial resources in your state
- Save money for college
- Start supplemental college essays

September

- Get familiar with Naviance
- Mark your calendar with registrations, admissions, and financial aid deadlines
- Individual Senior meetings with College & Career Counselor, Ms. Aldrete
- Complete letter of recommendation brag sheet
- Start requesting recommendation letters from your teachers (if needed)
- Organize college application deadlines; continue to revise essays and supplements
- Register to retake the [ACT](#), [SAT](#) in October, November, or December. Confirm testing requirements via university websites. Keep in mind, due to COVID-19 UC/CSU are not requiring the ACT/SAT.
- Start working on Early Decision/Action Applications
- Look at virtual tours of college campuses online

October

- Begin filling out the [FAFSA](#) and [CSS](#) profile forms (use 2020 tax information) and submit by college deadlines
- CSU applications are open on (10/1) - Begin application!**
- Senior Individual Counseling meetings continue
- Retake [ACT](#), [SAT](#), if appropriate
- Financial Aid Night #1: October 27th @ 5 pm via Webinar (info will be sent out soon)**
- Continue to follow up with teachers regarding letters of recommendation. HARD REQUEST DEADLINE 10/8 (use link on Naviance)**
- Complete college essays and writing supplements
- Take In-School SAT 10/13**
- Finalize colleges on “Colleges I’m Thinking About” list on Naviance and counselor will move over to “Colleges I’m Applying To”
- Begin working on Common App, Common Black College Application and out of state applications, if applicable
- Continue to work on UC and CSU applications
- Continue applying for scholarships
- Friday 10/22-Final Early Decision app check**

November

- EARLY DECISION /EARLY ACTION applications must be submitted by the November 1st or November 15th deadlines (includes application, supplements, tests and supporting credentials)**
- UC applications open up on (11/1)-Begin application**
- Retake [ACT](#), [SAT](#) and subject tests (if necessary)- do the best that you can!
- Financial Aid Night #2 - TBD**
- Check for emails and mail from CSUs and setting up portals and accounts
- Friday 11/19-FINAL UC and CSU app check**



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- Confirm with the testing boards that all tests scores are sent to the colleges
- Follow up with colleges/check portals to verify that all applications and credentials have been received
- Continue to perform strong academic work! Colleges will be looking at semester and final year grades for admission
- CSU and UC application closing date (11/30)**
- Continue to file FAFSA-complete by November 30th**

December

- If admitted Early Decision, withdraw all other college applications
- Finalize Common App applications and Common Black College Application
- Continue to check emails and mail from CSUs and set up portals and accounts
- Continue to research and apply for scholarships
- Report your best test scores to your colleges
 - CSU - Can send to one CSU and all CSU's get it (SAT)
 - UC - Report to one and all will share your scores
 - Private and out of state colleges – you must report individually

January

- Finalize any college applications
- Complete and send financial aid applications ensuring that you file [CSS](#) profile forms correctly and by the required deadlines (which vary at each college)
- Follow up with colleges to verify that all regular decision application materials have been received

February - April

- DVX Applications
- Begin applying to and registering for California Community Colleges (especially EOP and Honors programs) and Trade/Vocational Schools
- FAFSA-March 2nd priority deadline**
- Keep researching and applying for scholarships
- Receive college admission decisions. Carefully read all information from colleges about acceptance procedures, scholarships, housing, financial assistance, registration, and orientation
- Most colleges will contact you via email. It is your responsibility to continue to monitor communication from the colleges and ensure all required paperwork is submitted
- Attend college campus open houses and local events for admitted students
- Speak to family, college counselors, alumni, and your internal instincts as you think seriously about what college community is the right fit
- Sign up for housing and make deposits for CSU colleges (at some campuses spots fill up quickly)
- Make your final decision
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May

- May 1st! The Universal Candidates Reply Deadline - this is the date by which you must submit an enrollment deposit to the college or university of your choice**
- Select housing and meal plans and send in deposits
- Keep up grades and GPA - Colleges CAN and DO take away offers if your GPA drops too low!!!



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- Notify College and Career Counselor about your college selection and any scholarships received
- Prom!

June

- Attend or register for college orientation
- Graduation!

SAT-Register at collegeboard.org

<i>Test date</i>	<i>Regular registration</i>	<i>Late registration (additional late fee)</i>
October 2 nd	September 3 rd	September 21 st
November 6 th	October 8 th	October 26 th
December 4 th	November 4 th	November 23 rd

ACT-Register at actstudent.org

<i>Test date</i>	<i>Regular registration</i>	<i>Late registration (additional late fee)</i>
October 23 rd	September 17 th	October 1 st
December 11 th	November 5 th	November 19 th

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