

# College Counseling Timeline – Junior Year

## Fall

- Stay focused on academic and extracurricular pursuits
- Take PSAT during school day at Mount de Sales
- Start thinking about what you want in a college (programs, location, size, culture)
- Begin planning college campus visits
- Consider test prep for SATs and/or ACTs, and begin studying
- Sign up for winter/spring SATs and/or ACTs
- Attend college representatives visits to Mount de Sales
- Attend MDS college tours in which you are interested

## Winter/ Early Spring

- Junior Launch Parent Meeting
- Classroom college and course advisement begins
- Individual student appointments with college counselor
- Parent conferences with college counselors begin and are held through Easter Semester
- Begin researching colleges and developing a college list using a tool such as *Naviance*
- Attend college representatives visits to Mount de Sales
- Take first SAT and/or ACT
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- Attend MDS college tours in which you are interested

## Late Spring

- Individual student appointments with college counselor
- Attend college representatives visits to Mount de Sales
- NACAC College Fair, Atlanta, GA
- Spring Break – an ideal time to visit college campuses
- Easter Holiday – an ideal time to visit college campuses
- Attend MDS college tours in which you are interested

## Summer

- Sign up for SATs, Subject Tests, and/or ACTs if you plan to sit for a fall administration
- Visit college campuses
- Begin to plan personal college application timeline (Early Action vs. Regular Decision)

# College Counseling Timeline – Senior Year

## Fall

College counseling sessions in English classes  
Senior Parent Meeting - August  
Students complete Senior College Survey on *Naviance* - required  
Parents complete Senior Parent Survey on *Naviance* – recommended  
Submit pink transcript release form to college counseling office  
Finalize college list  
Create individual application timeline with deadlines and requirements for each college  
Begin working on applications (Early Action deadlines are typically Oct 15 – Dec 15)  
Research financial aid requirements and deadlines  
*Personally* contact teacher(s) to request a recommendation  
Attend Common Application Workshop if applicable  
Attend other applicable lunchtime workshops as necessary  
Attend college representatives visits to Mount de Sales  
Parents complete FAFSA, which opens October 1 (required for HOPE scholarship)

## Winter/ Early Spring

Complete applications for schools with January – May deadlines  
Research and apply for scholarships  
Put down deposits and complete housing application for the school you have decided to attend

## Late Spring

May 1 – National deadline for confirming enrollment  
Complete Graduation Survey by May 1, identifying where final transcript should be sent  
Graduate!  
June 30 – deadline for MDS to submit transcripts to GSFC for HOPE Scholarship