

Senior Checklist

Don't Forget:

* Give Brag Sheet
or resume to counselor
and teachers ASAP

(for Common App only)

* UC and CSU Applications - due by Nov 30.

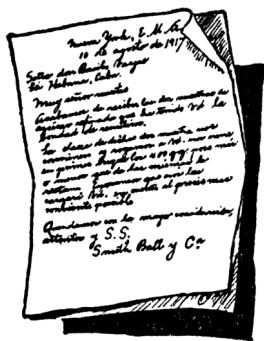
* Financial Aid application (FAFSA): due by
March 2

Decision on which college to attend:

May 1.

September

- register for October SAT/ACT if not taken in the 11th grade: www.collegeboard.org (SAT)
and/or www.act.org (ACT)
- write college essays if applying for Early Action/Decision at private college— confirm deadlines and get started



- ask counselor/teachers for letters of recommendation, particularly if applying for Early Action/Decision
- attend UC, CSU and private college visits on campus

October

- work on CSU applications online: Oct. 1—Nov. 30
www.csumentor.edu
- give Brag Sheet and Resume to counselor and teachers for letters of recommendation —
For Common Application only
- register for November or December SAT or ACT, if needed
- request transcripts for private colleges
- start Common Application for private colleges
www.commonapp.org
- continue to work on essays and applications; meet with colleges reps and visit colleges, if possible



November

- last opportunity to register for the December ACT and/or SAT
- UC application opens November 1
www.universityofcalifornia.edu
- pay attention to all college application deadlines. **CSU & UC applications are due November 30**
- athletes: register with NCAA
 - www.eligibilitycenter.org and send SAT score report to NCAA clearinghouse (code9999)
 - send SAT/ACT scores to colleges through www.collegeboard.org and/or www.act.org

December

- apply for scholarships.
- ⇒ visit the College and Career Center (A201)
- ⇒ www.fastweb.org



January

- file for financial aid between October 1 and March 2
www.fafsa.ed.gov
- request mid-year transcripts for private colleges
- respond to colleges request for additional information
- for men 18 or older: register with selective services to receive federal financial aid: www.sss.gov
- turn in local scholarships application and resume to the College Career Center
www.dusd.net/downey/local-scholarship
- research scholarship listings in the College and Career Center (A201) and on fastweb.com

February

- notify colleges of D or F grades earned in college prep (P) classes.
- notify colleges of changes made to your schedule not reflected on initial application
- check that all schools have received all materials—applications, letters of recommendation, test scores, etc.
- turn in GPA verification form to Guidance Office (February 2016)
- continue to check and apply for scholarships (College and Career Center)
- **continue to monitor your college application status via the college's portal**

Remember: Only grades of "C" or higher count for college

March

- file FAFSA by MARCH 2 deadline
- register for CSU placement test
<https://ept-elm.ets.org/csu/>
 - if Student Aid Report (SAR) has not been received (4 weeks after FAFSA was submitted) contact Federal Student Aide Center: 800-433-3242



Deadline...Deadline...Deadline

April

- review college acceptance and financial aid awards report and if possible, visit colleges where accepted for help with final decision
- choose your college and prepare to pay your decision deposit by May 1.
- apply for student housing at your college
- register for Community College (CC)
- take CC placement tests



May / June

- take AP exams
- notify College and Career Center of awards / scholarships
- athletes: send official final transcript to NCAA Eligibility Center

