

Junior Timeline

January

- Develop a preliminary list of colleges that interest you. Write or email to request a viewbook and additional information.
- Explore majors and careers by looking at the counseling blog for resources and directly on college websites. <http://blogs.pennmanor.net/pmhscounseling>
- Talk to friends/family who are home for the holidays about their college experience.
- Work on graduation project, will be due in mid-May
<https://sso.careercruising.com/page/openidconnect>
- Log into your PSAT Score Report and use the results to develop a personalized study plan for Spring/Fall SAT.

February:

- Meet with your guidance counselor again to develop your senior schedule. Make sure that you will be enrolled in the most challenging courses for which you are qualified.
- Register for a spring offering of the SAT and/or ACT. Ask your counselor if you should take an SAT Subject Test this spring.
- Check the counseling blog for summer opportunities. These can be a great way to find out what college life is all about and make you a more attractive candidate for admission to colleges.

March/April:

- Make a file for each college in which you are interested and gather information about academics, financial aid, and campus life. Go to college fairs and open houses and learn as much as you can about colleges online.
- Attend **College 101 Night on March 29** at 6:30 pm in the PMHS auditorium
- Begin planning college visits. Spring break is a good time to visit. Try to visit colleges near you and include a large, medium size, and small campus.
- Think about lining up a summer job, internship or co-op.

May:

- Take a look at some college applications and consider all of the different pieces of information you will need to compile.
- Make a list of teachers, counselors, employers, and other adults whom you might ask to write letters of recommendation for your college applications.

Summer:

- Continue investigating colleges. Follow the plan you developed for college visits.
- Begin thinking about your applications. Work on the essay before you return to school!
- If you haven't already, review test score to decide if you will retake them in the fall.

August:

- Generally, colleges will have their applications online by the beginning of August, create your application accounts.
- Make a list of deadlines for applications, scholarships, and financial aid for the year.
- Refer to back of this form for transcript requests directions.