

# College Timeline: Junior & Senior Years

## 2016 – 2017 College Events

PSAT Prep Session (Tentative)	Sunday, September 18
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Potluck/College Preview	Monday, September 26
Seattle Performing & Visual Arts Fair	Tuesday, October 25
PSAT	Saturday, October 15
Seattle Independent Schools' College Fair	Sunday, October 16
Seattle National College Fair	Fri & Sat, October 21 & 22
College Financial Aid Night	Wednesday, November 2
Seattle National Art Portfolio Day	Saturday, January 7
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade College Night	Monday, January 9
Researching Colleges Workshop	Thurs, Jan 26 & Mon, Jan 30
Seattle Independent Schools' Case Studies	Tues & Wed, April 25 & 26
Seattle Spring College Fair	Saturday, April 29

## Junior Year

<b>September</b>	Attend the Junior Potluck/College Preview with your parents. Learn about the college application process and the upcoming PSAT.
<b>September – November</b>	Meet with <b>college representatives</b> who visit Seattle. Juniors can attend college sessions at NWS during free periods. A schedule of visits will be posted on Naviance, in E-News and outside the College Counseling Office. If you cannot attend a visit due to a class conflict, the College Counselors can pick up materials for you.
<b>October</b>	Take the <b>PSAT</b> .
<b>October – November</b>	Attend local <b>college fairs</b> to begin learning about the variety of college options.
<b>November</b>	Attend <b>College Financial Aid Night</b> .
<b>January</b>	Attend <b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade College Night</b> .
<b>January – March</b>	Complete the <b>Initial Self-Assessment</b> in Naviance and schedule an <b>individual appointment</b> with your College Counselor. Appointments with juniors begin after the 11 <sup>th</sup> Grade College Night and continue through the end of 2 <sup>nd</sup> trimester.
<b>January</b>	Attend the <b>Researching Colleges Workshop</b> . Other workshops will follow; keep an eye on E-News, Naviance, and your e-mail for more information.
<b>February – June</b>	Following your initial individual appointment, schedule a <b>family appointment</b> (international students, schedule a second individual appointment). Continue to meet with your college counselor as needed throughout the year.
<b>February</b>	<b>Visit colleges</b> during mid-winter break.
<b>February – March</b>	Research scholarships, summer internships, work, academic/arts programs, and/or service opportunities. Apply if required.
<b>February – June</b>	Take the <b>SAT, ACT</b> , and/or <b>TOEFL</b> .
<b>March – April</b>	<b>Visit colleges</b> during spring break.

**April** Attend the **Case Studies** workshop with your parents to learn more about how college applications are reviewed.

**April** Attend the **Seattle Spring College Fair**. **Visit colleges** during spring break.

### Summer

**June** Complete the **School Letter Self-Assessment** by July 1.

**Summer** Work on the **Common Application, Other College Applications, Essays, and Activities Resume** in preparation for fall college applications. See resources in your College Reference Guide. **Visit colleges**. Also, **do something you love!**

**Summer** International Students: Take the **TOEFL**. Complete the **Certification of Finances**, and obtain bank documents and previous high school transcripts to bring back to the U.S. with you.

**August** Create a Common Application (CA) account if needed. The CA goes live on August 1.

**August** Attend **College Jumpstart** at NWS.

### Senior Year

**September** Turn in **Common Application**, work-in-progress **Essay**, and **Activities résumé** to the College Counseling Office for review. Schedule an **appointment** with your College Counselor to round out and finalize your college list.

**September** Attend **12<sup>th</sup> Grade College Night**.

**September – November** Meet with **college representatives** who visit NWS and Seattle. Seniors must give teachers two days' notice if they are to miss class. A schedule of visits will be posted on Naviance, in E-News and outside the College Counseling Office.

**September – December** Retake **SAT, ACT**, and/or **TOEFL**, if necessary.

**October** Turn in **Final Application List** to College Counseling.

**October – November** Attend one of the **college fairs** in the Seattle area.

**October – December** Attend **College Application Work Parties**.

**October – February** Complete Financial Aid forms, including CSS Profile and FAFSA. Attend **College Financial Aid Night**.

**December** Last recommended month for **SAT, ACT**, and **TOEFL** for regular decision applications.

**December – April** **Admission decisions** mailed by colleges.

**January/February** Complete **Financial Aid forms**.

**March – April** **Financial Aid awards** mailed by colleges.

**May 1** You decide! **National Reply Date** for all US colleges.

**May - August** Colleges make decisions on **Wait List** candidates.

**June** **Graduate from NWS!**