

College Timeline: Junior & Senior Years

2016 – 2017 College Events

PSAT Prep Session (Tentative)	Sunday, September 18
11 th 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 th 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

September	Attend the Junior Potluck/College Preview with your parents. Learn about the college application process and the upcoming PSAT.
September – November	Meet with college representatives 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.
October	Take the PSAT .
October – November	Attend local college fairs to begin learning about the variety of college options.
November	Attend College Financial Aid Night .
January	Attend 11th Grade College Night .
January – March	Complete the Initial Self-Assessment in Naviance and schedule an individual appointment with your College Counselor. Appointments with juniors begin after the 11 th Grade College Night and continue through the end of 2 nd trimester.
January	Attend the Researching Colleges Workshop . Other workshops will follow; keep an eye on E-News, Naviance, and your e-mail for more information.
February – June	Following your initial individual appointment, schedule a family appointment (international students, schedule a second individual appointment). Continue to meet with your college counselor as needed throughout the year.
February	Visit colleges during mid-winter break.
February – March	Research scholarships, summer internships, work, academic/arts programs, and/or service opportunities. Apply if required.
February – June	Take the SAT, ACT , and/or TOEFL .
March – April	Visit colleges 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 **12th 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!**