

Junior College Planning Calendar

Adapted from the College Board Action Plan (www.collegeboard.com)

Here are some dates to keep in mind as you begin planning for college. Missing one of the dates could hinder you from a smooth process in getting into your preferred college or university.

<p>Fall Term (August – December)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Based upon your interests, compile a list of potential majors of study. <input type="checkbox"/> Strongly consider taking the ACT. It is offered here at MVA on October 28 & December 9 (respective deadlines: September 21 & November 2). <input type="checkbox"/> Strive for the highest potential GPA (grade point average) possible; for this is the last complete year to strengthen your GPA before the college application process.
<p>Winter Term (January – March)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Use the internet or the College Board College Handbook (found in the Registrar’s office) to determine the acceptance requirements for your respective potential fields of study and colleges of interest (i.e. grade point average, standardized test scores). <input type="checkbox"/> Consider taking the ACT, if you have not done so already. It is offered here at MVA on February 10 (application deadline: January 4). <input type="checkbox"/> Strongly consider taking the SAT if planning on applying to non-SDA colleges. It is offered here at MVA on January 27 (application deadline: December 26).
<p>Spring Term (April – June)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> If you have not taken it yet, strongly consider taking the ACT. It is offered here at MVA on April 13 (application deadline: March 7). <input type="checkbox"/> Based on your SAT & ACT scores and comprehensive GPA, develop two lists of colleges: “Colleges I wish I can get accepted” & “Colleges I know I can get accepted”. <input type="checkbox"/> Find 5-10 scholarships that you qualify for, and send out for the application packet.
<p>Summer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer or find a job/internship that corresponds to your intended field of study. <input type="checkbox"/> Visit as many colleges as possible that are on your lists of potential colleges. <input type="checkbox"/> Request general information from each college on your lists via the internet, email, or telephone. <input type="checkbox"/> Fill out the applications for scholarships. <input type="checkbox"/> Complete your lists of “Colleges I wish I can get accepted” & “Colleges I know I can get accepted” (2-5 colleges each).

