

SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
 Begin and continue a thorough self-examination of your abilities and interests. Study hard and get good grades. Set your academic goals now. Think about careers. Try a sport, club or other activity. (the more unique the better – but something you enjoy) Begin your resume READ! 	- Plan and become involved in extracurricular activities, clubs, etc. - Position yourself for leadership in at least one area. - Keep up your grades. Be sure teachers know you care. - READ as much as you can. This has a huge effect on your vocabulary, hence your standardized test results.	- Investigate the kinds of education available: two-year colleges, four-year colleges, universities, professional schools and more. - What are your college-related goals? Are you interested in the top tier, most selective schools? - Talk to your counselor about your ideas and ask questions. Get to know them as well as your teachers.	- If not already done, start a checklist of personal preferences in selecting colleges: selectivity, size, location, etc. - Start your list of 10-12 target schools (It will likely change several times.) - READ over break! - Fill your spare time with community service, volunteer work and activities. (This will all go on your college apps.)
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
- Think about college visits. - Keep up your grades. Freshman year DOES count! - READ!	 Visit nearby campuses if you are interested in local schools. Keep up your grades. Do extra credit whenever possible. Strive for A's and B's in all classes. 	- Put forth your best effort! (improvement counts) - Plan a challenging schedule for next year. (such as AP classes) Colleges look for indications that each student has tried to take the strongest possible course of study.	- Plan a productive summer – community service, volunteer work, extra classes, sports camp, summer school, unusual experience, job, etc. - Talk to your counselor about what might help your resume.
MAY	JUNE		
- Study hard for final exams.	- Have a fun and productive summer!	edizionale dispetale de la propositional de la	