

# Junior Year Calendar

## September

- Prepare for the PSAT by looking at the practice booklet distributed in your English classes. You will find additional resources for the PSAT including an online practice test on the College Board website. A quick link to this information is found on the school website under CCC>Testing>PSAT/NMSQT.
- Check the Naviance College Visit calendar for the list of college admission representatives visiting PVHS. Sign up for any colleges of interest. Check this calendar regularly through November as the list will grow as information sessions are scheduled.

## October

- Take the PSAT
- Start planning your college visits. Junior year is a good time to visit local areas colleges to get a feeling about the type of college you will attend. Large or small, public or private, UC or CSU, etc.
- Start researching colleges using Naviance College Search. Look at college websites and sign up as a prospective student so you are on their mailing list.

## November

- Attend Financial Aid Night with your parents as you begin to research your options for financial aid, grants, scholarships and loans for college.

## December

- Attend the PSAT Score Give-Back Night/College Admission Testing Night for more information about PSAT scores, SAT, ACT and Subject Tests in preparation for college admission requirements.
- Plan your college admission testing calendar and consider registering for the March SAT and/or April ACT. Start thinking about accelerating your test preparation. Test preparation resources are available on the school website under CCC>Test Preparation. FREE test preparation is available on Naviance.
- Participate in one of the Alumni Day discussions held in December and January when former PVHS students now attending college return to talk to current PVHS students.

## January

Consider taking a full-length practice SAT or ACT as part of your test preparation.

## February

Begin or continue your college searching as you start to narrow your college interest list. Use the Naviance College Search features and resources available in the College & Career Center.

## March

Consider taking the SAT for the first time if you feel comfortable with the level of your classroom learning.

It is highly recommended students take advantage of classroom learning before taking college admission tests. Both the SAT and ACT are offered in April, May and June if you prefer.

Meet with your counselor during Junior Conferences and discuss your senior year courses and college prerequisites. Begin your college interest list.

Visit the College & Career Center to look up more information on colleges that interest you.

## April

Consider taking the ACT for the first time

Meet with your Counselor to finalize your course selections for senior year.

Register for your courses using Naviance.

Continue your family discussion about college: Where? How?

Consider visiting college campuses during Spring Break

Plan to attend the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) College Fair. PVHS has a bus (fee) that takes students to the fair (check the school calendar and daily bulletin). For fair dates and location go to: [www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org)

## May

Take any appropriate Subject Test that may be required by colleges you intent to submit an application. (or register for the June test date)

Take any appropriate AP Exams.

## June

- Attend College Essay Night
- Start drafting your college essay/personal statement
- Consider who will write your letters of recommendation (if required) for your college applications and approach them before you leave school for the summer.
- Register with the NCAA if you plan to play sports in college to establish your eligibility and send in your transcript.  
[www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)

## Summer

- Organize your applications deadlines  
Carefully organize a timeline if you are planning to apply  
Early Decision or Early Action
- Start narrowing down your college list to a realistic number and prepare for college applications by gathering your family data and update your resume.
- Visit college campuses of interest.
- Spend the summer doing what you enjoy. Talk to your college friends home for the summer.
- Continue your SAT or ACT test preparation and register for the SAT or ACT if you plan to test in September, October or November.