

PRE-COLLEGE TIMELINE

JUNIOR YEAR

SEPTEMBER

- Meet with your guidance counselor
- Register for the PSAT (top scores are eligible for National Merit Scholarships for up to \$2,000)
- Attend college fairs
- Gather information and collect brochures

OCTOBER

- Plan for senior year
- Collect financial aid and general college information
- Check Schedules and make preliminary plans to take ACTs or SATs

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

- Develop a list of colleges you are interested in attending
- Make sure you have adequate information on each college
- Narrow choices to 10 or 12
- Prepare for ACTs and SATs

MARCH

- Take SAT (early decision candidates should take SAT prior to June)

APRIL

- Take ACT (early decision candidates should take ACT prior to June)

MAY

- Take SAT and Achievement Tests

JUNE/JULY/AUGUST

- Schedule interviews and campus visits
- Become familiar with financial aid opportunities

SENIOR YEAR

SEPTEMBER

- Work on Applications and outline essay topics
- Write to the top seven or 10 schools of your choice and ask for detailed information regarding minority programs and financial aid opportunities
- Prepare and register for SAT and Achievement Tests.

JANUARY

- Complete all applications and check deadlines
- Send high school transcripts to colleges where you have applied
- Take the SAT and Achievement Tests – Last Chance!

MARCH

- Celebrate your acceptance!

***“IF IN YOUR MIND YOU CAN
CONCIEVE IT AND IN YOUR HEART
YOU CAN BELIEVE IT, THEN YOU
CAN ACHIEVE IT.”***

-Muhammad Ali