

College /Tech School Admission Process

When to Begin	What to Do
Junior Year September to March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Participate in the PSAT/NMSQT in October ▪ Think about your reasons for going to college or Tech School ▪ What are your future goals? ▪ What learning opportunities are most important? ▪ Consider taking the ASVAB for career exploration or military in November
Junior Year January to March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Register for the Spring ACT and/or SAT if college-bound ▪ Identify important factors in choosing a college or Tech School ▪ Determine what is important to you in your selection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Two-year vs. Four-year ○ Location and size ○ Cost ○ Entrance criteria, etc.
Junior Year March to August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Take your first ACT and/or SAT in the spring ▪ Gather information about colleges/tech schools/military/employers at the annual BOLD STEPS program ▪ Visit www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org and explore the Big Future site ▪ List colleges or tech schools you are considering and collect information ▪ Begin visiting your top choice schools ▪ Athletes → Register for NCAA and send transcript
Senior Year August to December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Compare and finalize the colleges on your list ▪ Visit schools before you apply ▪ Ask for letters of recommendation from teachers, coaches, counselors, etc. ▪ Register to re-take the ACT or SAT if desired ▪ Pay attention to application deadlines → You must allow 10 school days to process your transcript ▪ Consider taking the ASVAB for career exploration or military in November
Senior Year September to December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Work on your applications!!! ▪ Use the College Application Organizer to track your progress...complete all parts of your application neatly and accurately ▪ Create an FSA ID at www.fsaaid.ed.gov ▪ Apply online for financial aid (FAFSA) beginning October 1st at https://studentaid.gov ▪ Check the CCHS Counseling website for scholarship information
Senior Year January to February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Continue to check the CCHS Counseling website for scholarship information ▪ Check to see if your colleges require mid-year reports ▪ If mid-year reports are required, complete the mid-year transcript request form (purple) in the counseling office
Senior Year January to May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Make your final decisions and commit to a college by May 1st ▪ Inform your counselor of your acceptance and scholarship awards