



Countdown to Senior Year



Spring of Junior Year

- Make the best grades possible and finish the junior year with a strong academic average.
- Take or retake the ACT. Send score to TOPS #1595; if planning to play a college sport, also send ACT score to NCAA Eligibility #9999.
- Consider taking a campus visit during spring or summer break. Look at school websites for Saturday group visits or schedule a private visit. Make notes after each college visit, including admission and scholarship deadlines.
- Set up an account with free scholarship search websites and begin the search:
www.fastweb.com http://bigfuture.collegboard.org/scholarship-search
www.osfa.la.gov.studenthub – account for TOPS tracking
- Begin to make a list of club memberships, community service, honors and awards. This resume may be required by some scholarship applications.



Summer before Senior Year

- Register for NCAA Eligibility if planning to play a college sport at Division I/II school.
www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org.
- Schedule campus visits
 - Do some community service and add these hours to resume.



Fall of Senior Year

- Start the senior year strong with good study habits. Study daily.
- If college visit needed, ask senior counselor **early** for a college visitation form. Seniors may use two school days for visits and must clear these days through senior counselor **before** the visit is scheduled.
- Apply for college admission. If applying to LA Tech, the senior dual enrollment application will be the admissions application **AND** scholarship application. If interested in other schools, **apply during August or September** by using the on-line application on each website. Apply for housing at that time. Keep copies of applications and dates submitted. An updated immunization record will also need to be provided.
- Register to take the September, October or December ACT/SAT if needed.
- **Study, adhere to deadlines, be responsible for paperwork. Above all, don't procrastinate!**