



# To Do List for Junior and Senior Year:

## Junior Year:

- Take the college entrance exam(s): ACT, SAT, PERT; retake as needed.
- Search on the web or through **FloridaShines.org** to find colleges with your desired program.
- Attend the college fair to gather information (see Questions to ask college representatives) and obtain contact information for future communication.
- Visit colleges of interest.
- Check the Occupational Outlook Handbook, [bls.gov/ooh](http://bls.gov/ooh), to research job availability in your desired field.
- You can complete a preliminary FAFSA, [Fafsa.ed.gov](http://Fafsa.ed.gov), using your previous year's tax return to help predict any federal grants or loans you may be eligible for. This would need to be verified or updated after taxes are filed during your senior year.

## Senior Year:

- Retake college entrance exams, if needed.
- Apply to your top 3 college choices -check for early deadlines.
- Attend the college fair - seek additional college options and communicate with representatives.
- Communicate early with chosen colleges/universities to clarify how they honor AP, IB, and Dual Enrollment credits earned while in high school (especially out of state and private colleges/universities).
- Complete the FAFSA, [Fafsa.ed.gov](http://Fafsa.ed.gov), as soon as tax returns are ready from the previous year. Attend a local Financial Aid Workshop for assistance. This will be necessary for PELL Grant and some student loans. Many scholarships require that the application be completed even if you do not qualify.



## Questions to ask College Representatives:

- What are your most popular majors?
- What is the graduation rate in those programs?
- When is my application due?
- What entrance scores are required?
- How do you honor the college credits I earned through AP, IB, or Dual Enrollment while I was in high school?
- Are scholarships available? Do they require a separate application? What is the deadline to apply for them?
- Can I take a campus tour?
- Do you have a Freshman Orientation or Freshman Success class?
- Do you have tutoring and other support services available?
- Do I need a laptop?
- Do you offer an honors program?
- Are there opportunities for internships?
- Is there job placement help for graduates?
- What makes your college unique?
- What academic programs is your college most known for?
- How would you describe the students that go there? Where do most of them come from?
- What happens on weekends? Are there things to do on campus or in the nearby town?
- Where do most students live? Are freshmen required to live on campus?
- What activities, sports, clubs, sororities/ fraternities, or fitness options are available?
- How is your campus security?

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