

Checklist For Senior Year

***STUDENTS:**

- Schedule an appointment with your school counselor ***immediately*** to discuss college plans.
- Keep your grades up!
- Keep involved in extracurricular activities
- Register to take ACT and/or SAT in the fall
- Attend college nights (Usually one is held in October at the SUNY Plattsburgh field house)
- Schedule college visits or listen to announcements for colleges visiting our school.
- RESEARCH RESEARCH RESEARCH AND CONTACT any colleges you are interested in to find out tuition, majors offered, grants, scholarships, DEADLINES (early decision, early action, or regular application) etc.
- Ask teachers for letters of recommendation (Take time to think about which teachers can speak to your strengths). Some teachers get so many requests for letters that they have to turn students away! So ask early and give them at least three weeks' notice before you need them.
- Begin completing either your Common App or SUNY applications. (They take time so get started early)

***PARENTS:**

- Call to schedule an appointment to discuss college process with your child and their school counselor.**
- Most college websites provide a tuition calculator where you can estimate your tuition payment (excluding grants and scholarships) if your child were to attend.**
 - Also, FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) applications can be filed beginning after January 1st. Don't wait!!!**

******DON'T PROCRASTINATE, SENIOR YEAR GOES BY VERY FAST AND DEADLINES (SAT/ACT, COLLEGE APPS, SCHOLARSHIPS APPS, FAFSA, ETC) COME QUICKER THAN YOU REALIZE!!!***