

Senior Year College Planning Timeline 2018-19

1. Take or retake the SAT and/or ACT in the Fall.
2. If you need to present SAT Subject Tests scores and have not yet taken these tests, do so in the Fall.
 - a. When registering to take your college entrance exams, **make sure to identify the post-secondary institutions that you would like to receive copies of your test scores.** Remember, these test scores are **not** included on high school transcripts. A score report must be sent to at least one school in Florida for Bright Futures to retrieve the scores.
3. Attend Fall College Nights
4. Attend meetings with college representatives at your high school and plan to follow up with campus visits to the colleges in which you are most interested.
5. Plan on attending one of the advertised **Financial Aid Seminars** throughout the school district. These financial aid seminars will assist with your college planning.
6. Apply to colleges as early as possible. **You are encouraged to have your applications completed by Thanksgiving.**
7. If you are applying for financial aid, be prepared to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) *after October 1.*
8. Florida Department of Education's Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) state scholarship database (including the application for Bright Futures) is available to make application October 1 through graduation. Log on to the internet and go to the home page of the OSFA: www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/osfahomepg.htm.
9. Review your progress towards meeting the eligibility criteria for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.
10. If you participated in an Advanced Placement program, make sure to review prospective colleges' policies regarding awarding AP credit.
11. Be sure you meet all **deadlines** established by your college.
12. If you are considering entering a branch of the military and didn't take the **ASVAB** (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) during your junior year, you should consider taking the ASVAB when it is offered at your school.
13. Develop a resume whether you are planning to request recommendation letters for college admissions or full-time employment.
14. Schedule an appointment to meet with your school counselor to ensure you are meeting all graduation requirements as possible.