

# College Checklist

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## Junior Year

### Fall

- Continue to stay on track in your classes. Build up that GPA.
- Use your test scores and current GPA to evaluate your post secondary options. Start building a list of your top five colleges. **FloridaShines'** college and university profile lists the admissions requirements, deadlines, and other important information about each public college and university in Florida.
- Know the dates and locations of the **SAT**, **ACT** and other tests you might be planning to take. Sign up for the test and don't forget to add them to your calendar.
- Update your professional résumé to include your Summer work and other relevant experiences.
- Find out if representatives from colleges you are interested in are visiting your area, and consider attending those sessions.
- Attend **FloridaShines Virtual College Week**.

### Spring

- Search for scholarships.
- Build service hours needed for **Bright Futures Scholarships**. (Florida Students)
- Contact individuals who you will be asking to write you a letter of recommendation.
- Plan college visits for the Summer.
- Organize financial aid information.
- Start college application essays.
- Create a filing system to help you keep all of your college materials organized.

### Summer

- Stay involved in extracurricular activities, and seek out leadership roles in your community that will look good to colleges.
- Start communicating with admissions officers and recruiters at colleges on your list.

