



## 4 Year College Timeline and Checklist

### September – November 2020

- ✓ Start off the year by double-checking that you're meeting all of your A-G College Admissions requirements (by the end of your senior year).
- ✓ Finalize your college list.
- ✓ Now that you have an idea of where you want to go, visit prospective colleges (virtually) and get a feel for the campuses.
  - Attend **COLLEGE QUEST 2020** by going to [https://collegeoptions.org/college\\_quest/](https://collegeoptions.org/college_quest/). College Quest 2020 is a virtual college fair and information night. It will take place on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 from 5:00 to 7:30 pm. (A link to the presentation will be added closer to the event)
    - Financial Aid Presentation will be held from 5:30 – 6:30pm.
  - **Chico State University** - will be hosting a live virtual high school visit on Friday Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am-noon. More information will be coming as the date gets closer.
  - **UC Santa Barbara** - will be hosting a live virtual high school visit on Thursday, Oct. 22 at 3:00-3:45pm. Click [here](#) to register!
  - **UC Davis** - on demand [VIRTUAL TOUR](#)
  - **Humboldt State University** - [Interactive Map Tour](#)
- ✓ Request letters of recommendations from teachers, facilitators, high school counselor, etc.
- ✓ Start working on your Personal Insight Questions (UC's); it's a crucial part of your application. For information on Personal Insight Questions, click [here](#).
- ✓ Register for SAT or ACT no later than Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> by going to <https://www.collegeboard.org/>.
  - CSU has temporarily suspended the use of ACT/SAT examination in determining admissions eligibility for all CSU campuses for the 2021-2022 academic year. This change applies only for the fall 2021, winter 2022, and spring 2022 admission cycle. For more information, click [here](#)
  - UC will be "test-optional" for the fall 2021 and fall 2022. Freshman applicants are not required to submit SAT/ACT scores. For more information, click [here](#).
    - You choose whether or not to submit SAT/ACT scores with your application
    - If you are unable or choose not to submit test scores, your application will still receive full consideration.
- ✓ Start working on your Fall 2021 UC application now by clicking [here](#).

- ✓ Application deadline dates:
  - [University of California](#) - **November 1<sup>st</sup> – November 31<sup>st</sup>**
  - [California State University](#) -**October 1<sup>st</sup> – December 4<sup>th</sup>**
  - [Private and Out of State Colleges](#) (Common App) - Varies by college
- ✓ Explore your prospective colleges' financial aid requirements to plan your college budget.
- ✓ Complete the [FAFSA](#) so you can get the most possible financial assistance for college.
  - **October 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 – March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021**

### December - February

- ✓ Continue your hunt for scholarships and apply for scholarships. \*For a list of local scholarships, go to [www.shastacharteracademy.org](http://www.shastacharteracademy.org) – College and Career - Scholarships
- ✓ Complete your FAFSA so you can get the most possible financial assistance for college!!

Timeframe: October 1<sup>st</sup> – March 2<sup>nd</sup>. [FAFSA](#)

### March - May

- ✓ Once you've received all of your responses from colleges, make your final decision!
- ✓ Verify your financial aid before you make any college budget decisions.
- ✓ Send your final transcripts to your college and meet housing deadlines. (Our registrar will send your transcripts to your college).
- ✓ Cross everything off your graduation checklist and graduate! 😊

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