

PREP FOR SUCCESS: FRESHMAN YEAR CHECKLIST

June - August (Before Freshman Year)

- Brush up on subjects you may not be as strong on to prepare for next Fall.
- Understand graduation requirements and classes you need to take.
- Set goals and develop a four-year plan.
- Read and practice analyzing and writing essays.
- Catch up on current events.
- Volunteer or work somewhere.
- Create a list of activities you plan to get involved in throughout high school.
- Get involved in community service.
- Visit some college campuses to get an idea for what you like.

September

- Review your classes and track which ones you are doing well in and which ones you may need help with.
- Get active in your extracurricular activities.

October - December

- Develop a list of schools you are interested in and sign up for mailing lists.
- Start thinking about how to finance college with your parents.

January

- Focus and maintain your grades in school, especially for mid-terms and finals.

February - March

- Take time to research the schools you are interested in and contact Admissions to connect.
- Start thinking about what classes you want to take next year.
- Look into some summer programs you may be interested in joining for the summer. Apply, if necessary, by their deadline.

April - June

- Register to take an SAT Subject Test for any subjects that correspond with the classes you took.
- Finish your school year strong by focusing on grades and final exams.
- Focus on what you plan to do over the summer.