

## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade College Planning Calendar Academic and Testing

Month	Activity
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make sure you are taking classes needed for college. While senior year grades will not be on most transcripts, the courses taken will be.</li> <li>• Get off to a good start academically and maintain your grades throughout the year.</li> <li>• As you decide which activities you will take on, keep in mind that colleges and scholarship agencies are on the lookout for young people who set themselves apart from the crowd in some positive or productive way.</li> </ul>
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register for the October or December ACT. For East/West coast schools use November SAT I. SAT II Subject Tests may be needed for highly selective colleges /programs.</li> <li>• Be sure your first semester grades are good. If you are wait-listed by a school, your first semester grades may tip the scale in your favor.</li> <li>• Many scholarship applications require a transcript that includes first semester grades.</li> <li>• Maintain your co-curricular activities record (continue all year). Colleges and scholarship agencies evaluate more than academics.</li> <li>• <b>Enroll in the ACT prep classes offered at LCHS</b></li> </ul>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Take the ACT. It is given at LCHS in October.</b></li> </ul>
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register for the December ACT, if you miss the October test.</li> <li>• Take an honest look at you first grade card. Are you doing the best you can?</li> <li>• Get help, if you need it.</li> </ul>
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you miss the December ACT, register for the February test. However, this will be too late for many colleges and most scholarship applications.</li> </ul>
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Keep working in your classes!</b> Grades and courses continue to count throughout the senior year. You may be required to maintain certain grades the remainder of high school to retain a scholarship.</li> </ul>
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enjoy your final year in high school, <b>but don't catch senioritis!</b></li> </ul>
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stay focused and keep studying. There are only a couple more months to go!</li> <li>• Start looking into summer jobs or apply for special summer academic or enrichment programs. Colleges love to see students using their knowledge and developing their skills and interests. Since jobs will likely be difficult to find this year, showing another productive use of your time may help impress admissions or scholarship committees.</li> </ul>
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stay sharp academically. Many colleges will require you to take placement tests in the late spring or early summer.</li> </ul>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take Advanced Placement examinations, if appropriate, and request that your AP scores be sent to the college you will attend.</li> </ul>

