

College-Bound Senior Year Timeline

September- October:

Remind & Twitter:

- Sign up for Remind Senior Class: @83a36c
- follow Mrs. Roper on Twitter for college, career, testing, FAFSA, etc. @sroperVikings

College & Career Planning meetings:

- Schedule an appoint with Mrs. Roper to discuss college & career plans and answer questions. **All Sr. must sign-up for a meeting time by Nov. 1.**

-Individual & Small Group meetings: evgcounselor.youcanbook.me

-Sign-up in Counseling office starting Friday for lunch & enrichment time

College & Career Visits:

- Continue to visit colleges & career opportunities that you are interested in. Remember you are allowed 2 pre-arranged, excused visits per year. Complete this absence form in the main office. Bring a note back from these sites once you have visited them and turn into the main office.

Applications:

- Narrow your applications down. Check out websites, counseling office, etc.
- Write down deadlines for applications, scholarships, financial aid and follow it!
- Plan to have applications done by Halloween. Earlier the better!
- Keep copies of everything you do online or mail.
- **Check out sites like:** BigFuture.com, <http://roadtripnation.com/>
- Begin applying for colleges. They would like you to do this online. If there is a portion that I need to complete email it to me, send it to me through the application process or print it off & bring down to me. (sroper@evgvikings.org)
- **Common App**- when you are applying for colleges who use Common App, follow the directions carefully and come see me with questions. We will send your transcript through Common App, so you do not need to use the transcript request through Parchment on the Evergreen Schools website. If a recommendation needs written, fill out your Sr. Brag Sheet and bring to me so that I can do so through Common App.
- **Senior Brag Sheet**- fill out your Sr. Brag sheet and turn in to Mrs. Roper ASAP!
- If you're on free or reduced lunch, your application may be waived. Check college application websites to see what verification is required.
- **REMEMBER to let us know when you've been accepted to a college. Also, which one you ultimately attend.**

Transcripts:

- **Common App** (see above)
- Register with **Parchment/e-transcript** to request transcripts sent to colleges.
 - go to EHS Counseling/Guidance webpage and click on Request My Transcript.
 - Type in **Evergreen in Metamora, OH** when you are asked which school has your transcript.
 - Fill out required information & include an email that you can check. Remember your email address and password. The "start year" refers to your first year in HS.

- A verification email will be sent to you. Re-enter your email address & password.
- Enter verification code that you were emailed onto the Parchment site. Follow the directions carefully to request your transcript.
- When asked where you would like to send your credentials, type in the name of the college and make sure you select College/Undergraduate.
- Sign your name with your finger or mouse.
- Save & Continue until you are done.
- There is no coast to you for this.
- Once you send a request, the counseling office will receive an email and we will send this to your chosen college.

ACT:

- go to www.actstudent.org/start to see dates and times for test and also to register.
- SAT is not required by all colleges, if it is, you will need to go to www.collegeboard.org to register for the SAT and to find out more information about this test.

Scholarships:

- Listen to the announcements, check the scholarship box in the office or the scholarship rack in the hallway.
- Register with www.fastweb.com, raise.me, merited.com for more scholarship offerings.
- Also register for a CSS profile through collegeboard.org, starting Oct. 1 this will give you a more comprehensive profile of financial air tailored to you, your needs and wants.
- Make sure to check the college websites that you are applying to for specific scholarships to those universities. Be aware of the deadlines for those.
- OSU has a Nov. 1 priority deadline for scholarships! UT has a Nov. & a Dec. 1 deadline for specific scholarships there.
- **REMEMBER to bring your scholarship award letters to the office!**

Recommendations:

- If your college requires recommendation letters, ask your teachers to write one for you on your behalf. Complete the Sr. Brag sheet in the counseling office as well. Please allow at least 2 weeks for these letters. Make sure your provide recommendation forms & any special instructions.
- Write thank you notes to teachers/staff who complete these for you.

Athletes:

- If you are an athlete & plan to play sports in college at a Div. I or II school, complete the NCAA Clearinghouse form (www.eligibilitycenter.org). Be sure to let the counseling office know so a transcript can be forwarded to NCAA. If you plan to play sports through NAIA check out their eligibility requirements at playnaia.com.

Financial Aid/FAFSA:

- You & your parent can file for a FAFSA number and pin now. The sooner the better!
- You may begin applying for the FAFSA starting Oct. 1.
- **Use the www.fafsa.ed.gov site to do so. DO NOT USE the fafsa.com website.**
- Make sure to keep a copy of all your FAFSA information.
- After completing your FAFSA, you will receive a SAR (Student Aid Report). Review this document for accuracy very carefully. Do not give this information out to anyone.

- **You & your parents will need a personal email account and password. Write this info down. Do not use your school email.**
- Check out the EHS Counseling page for helpful FAFSA completion information.

December:

- Turn in any college applications that need to be mailed by the counseling office and submit any online transcripts by Dec. 15. Please remember that the office is Closed from Dec. 16- Jan. 7.

April:

- You should have all acceptance letters by April.1
- Review your college options & financial aid packages carefully as you make your final decisions. You will need to make your decisions by May 1.

May:

- Make sure to know when your tuition deposits are due and turn in to that college.
- Complete the **Future Plans After Graduation form** and return to the counseling office. This form gives us the information about where to send your FINAL transcript and information for graduation.

- Graduation is Sunday, May 27 @ 2pm! See you there!