**Junior Year Information Guide**

**Fall (September-November)**

* Take the [PSATs](http://www.wilsonsd.org/Page/8910) (pre-SAT) in October
* Increase your commitment to extracurricular activities through various leadership roles
* Create a college list on Naviance under the “Colleges I am Thinking About” tab
  + Look at [college entrance requirements](http://www.actstudent.org/college/require.html) and research [college costs](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/college-costs)
* Register for [college representative visits](http://www.wilsonsd.org/Page/1090) in the Counseling Office

**Winter (December-February)**

* Attend a local Financial Aid Night to learn about paying for college
* Register for the SAT Reasoning and/or SAT Subject tests or the ACT
* Make your parents aware of Scheduling Night (February)
* Meet with your school counselor to discuss next year’s class schedule and post-secondary goals

**Spring (March-June)**

* Register for the SAT Reasoning and/or SAT Subject tests or the ACT
* Take the [ASVAB](http://www.wilsonsd.org/Page/10439) (free) to help with career planning or military options
* Take the [AP exams](http://www.wilsonsd.org/Page/10413) if you are enrolled in an AP course (May)
* Consider taking an SAT II (Subject Test); often best to be taken following the completion of an Advanced Placement course
* Attend college fairs, such as the Berks Junior College Fair
* Ask your teachers for letters of recommendations early
  + \*Not all schools require LORs– please check the colleges’ admission requirements before asking!
* Register with the [NCAA](https://web3.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.jsp) if you are planning to compete in Division I or II college sports – request transcripts to be sent at the end of your junior year
* If you are interested in attending a military academy (e.g., West Point, Naval Academy, Air Force Academy, Coast Guard), begin your research early

**Summer (June-August)**

* [Visit](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide/campus-visit-checklist) different college campuses and ask [questions](http://www.actstudent.org/college/visit.html)!
* Engage in [summer](http://professionals.collegeboard.com/guidance/prepare/summer) extracurricular activities and [volunteer](http://www.wilsonsd.org/Page/10726) opportunities
* Complete summer reading and AP summer work when necessary.
* Engage in test preparation activities for the ACT and/or SAT for the fall of your senior year