## **Junior Checklist**

## **FALL**

- > Evaluate your course load.
- Register for and take the PSAT (in October).
- ➤ Take a deeper look at schools by regions, sizes and academic specialties.
- Look into tuition at all types of schools.
- ➤ Narrow your search to 10 20 schools.
- > It not too late to get involved in extra-curricular activities.
- Create a college calendar to keep track of important dates and deadlines.
- ➤ Get familiar with College Planning and the Admissions process so you'll know what to expect before college.

#### WINTER

- > Junior year grades will say a lot about your academic performance.
- ➤ Take a pre ACT test (online) or sign up for an ACT Bootcamp or Prep Class.
- > Start watching scholarships this year so you know which ones and when they will be due next year.
- Compare and Contrast Schools.
- Continue your essay prep by writing often now, so you can reap the benefits later.

## **SPRING**

- ➤ Take the ACT/SAT.
- ➤ Get educated about admissions at the various colleges you have on your potential list.
- Contact potential colleges about a visit to their campus.
- > Construct your portfolio.

> Get ready to ace your AP tests by using online tools.

# Summer

- > Continue college visits in an effort to narrow your search.
- > Get a summer job.
- > Prepare your college application essay.
- Prepare to continue to take the ACT /SAT if you need to raise your score by taking online quizzes or sign up for an ACT Prep Class.
- > Develop a financial aid plan before deadlines come quickly in the Fall.