

College Landing Plan

Late Spring

Enroll and take English and Math Placement Tests. (Tests are generally given February through May.)

Look into taking college courses at a local community college (especially courses that cover any remediation or first-year classes, if you haven't passed).

Write thank-you notes to teachers and counselor for helping you through the process.

Don't slack! Finish strong. Stay in challenging courses and keep your grades up. 75% of revoked acceptances are because seniors do poorly in classes or take too light of a load.

Early Summer

Make a decision about which college and notify the college that you will attend.

Notify schools that you are not attending.

Send deposits for housing (if you haven't already).

Sign up for orientation.

Enroll in classes. (Refer back to 14.12, The 4-Year College Plan.)

Be sure that you have completed and passed placement tests for English and Math.

Send official score reports to college from ACT®/SAT®.

Continue to apply for scholarships.

Talk to counselor about sending final transcript to college.

Contact your roommate:

o Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Contact Financial Aid Office:

o Phone: _____

Sign up for work study (contact Career Services at the campus):

o Phone: _____ Website: _____

Search campus job opportunities.

Accept financial aid and determine if you need to accept student loans (tuition, housing, books).

FIND OUT HOW TO LOG IN TO CAMPUS WEBSITE AND YOUR STUDENT EMAIL. A lot of important emails may come to the new college email, and you will miss it if you aren't checking.

Late Summer

Check out campus organization, clubs, etc.

Be sure that AP scores are sent to college and adjust first semester schedule accordingly.

Attend orientation:

o Date: _____ Location: _____

Continue to apply for scholarships.

Set up appointment with academic advisor.

Get your student identification card.

BE SURE THAT YOU SIGN INTO YOUR COLLEGE EMAIL ACCOUNT!

Pack (coordinate larger items with roommate).

Register for parking permits.

Determine if professors have posted syllabi and look at purchasing books.

Early First Semester

Check out tutoring opportunities.

Study, Study, Study! (Remember that studying in college is not just doing homework, it is reading the book and reviewing your notes every day.)

Go to the Tutoring Center on campus and find out about resources.

Introduce yourself to your professor.

Talk with other students from your classes and share contact info (for study groups, missed classes, etc.).

Follow Study Group Plan.

Reserve study group locations.

Calendar dates of homework and tests.

Critically read the syllabi to examine grading expectations and midterm/final projects or tests.

Attend at least one set of professor office hours during the first two weeks.

Continue to apply for scholarships.

Set up a study group with students from your class (friends from the dorms).

Check grades.

Set up regular study hours.

Look into extracurricular activities.

Late First Semester

Continue to apply for scholarships.

Prepare to apply for financial aid in January. (This is a yearly process.)

If attending a community college, check if the classes that you are taking will transfer to your destination four-year college (not the community college that you are attending). Talk with an admissions counselor at the destination school to determine a transfer timeline.