

Summer Priorities

Directions: Look at the list below. Decide which of these areas are the *most important* to you and which are the *least important*; use the column on the left to rank them in order of importance from 1 to 7.

Order of Importance	Item	Additional Information	Notes
	Coursework	How are your grades? Do you have any past D's or F's that would make you ineligible to apply to college? Will you be able to complete all the necessary coursework during your senior year to meet the eligibility requirements for the colleges of your choice?	
	Test Scores	How are your SAT and ACT scores? Are they where you need them to be to reach your goals and get accepted at your first-choice colleges? Can test preparation help you raise your scores?	
	Extracurricular Activities	Review your extracurricular activities list. Have you pursued all the activities in which you are interested? In what ways can you extend your current activities or interests during the summer? Are there internships or work experience available?	
	College Research	Have you finalized your list of colleges, or do you still feel uncertain about where you want to apply? What else do you need to know to finalize your list?	
	College Visits	How many of the colleges on your list have you visited? It's important to make a visit to a school before you make your final decision in your senior year. Is it possible to visit some of the colleges in which you are interested during summer?	
	College Essays	Do your college essays need more work? How important are they in the application packet of the colleges on your list? Do they reflect what you want colleges to know about you? Do they help colleges know you as a person?	
	Scholarship Research	What is your financial outlook for college? Will scholarships be important when you make your final decision about where to attend? What kinds of scholarships are you eligible for?	