

Senior Application Timeline for 4-Year Universities

July/Aug

Research schools, create your college list, and begin working on college essays. Open accounts for Common App, UC, CSU, or other application platforms. Complete brag sheet for letters of recommendation.

October

Application window opens for UC/CSUs and Financial Aid. Finalize and submit Early Action (EA) or Early Decision (ED) by Nov. 1 or 15. Continue working on essays for regular decision schools.

December

Submit any remaining Regular Decision applications (deadlines often Jan. 1 – 15). Send SAT/ACT scores if required. Confirm receipt of applications and supporting materials. Apply for THS Local Scholarship Program.

February

Confirm you've submitted all mid-year transcripts if requested.

April

Compare financial aid packages from different schools. Attend admitted student events to help you decide.

June

Request final transcripts to be sent to school. Senior clearance and graduation!



September

Provide teachers with brag sheet and ask for letters of recs. Attend your school's campus visits, college nights or financial aid workshops. Cal Grant GPA Verifications submitted by district.

November

UC/CSU Deadline: Nov. 30. Double-check test scores, transcripts, and letters are sent.

January

Submit the FAFSA/CA Dream Act by March 2 for California financial aid. Apply for scholarships through schools and external sources. Monitor applications for Common App schools and request Mid-Year Report from counselor (if needed)

March

UC and CSU financial aid deadline: March 2. Watch for admissions decisions (many UC, CSU, and private schools release in March/April).

May

Decision Day is May 1 – submit your SIR (Statement of Intent to Register) to the college you choose. Decline offers from other schools.

Senior Application Timeline for 2-Year Colleges

