

Parent Timeline for Seniors 2016



First Semester:

- Look over **College Planning Senior Class of 2016** handout with your student
- Sign the **Record Release Form** for your student, so that we can send his/her transcript
- Encourage your student to visit Ms. Meyer (located in the main office)
- Help create a list of 3-4 colleges that your student would realistically attend and fits them best
- Take your student on campus tours or encourage them to attend tours with Ms. Meyer
- Help your student prepare/register for the October ACT by September 18.
 - <http://www.actstudent.org/>
 - Students on free/reduced lunch may take it twice for free! (\$39.50 for other students)
- Help create a timeline/calendar of important deadlines
- Assist your student with college applications
 - Students on free/reduced lunch qualify for application waivers!
- Help your student search for scholarships
 - http://sites.isdschools.org/katie_meyer/scholarships
 - <http://www.fastweb.com/>
 - <https://www.growyourgiving.org/scholarships>

Second Semester:

- File taxes as quickly as possible
- Assist with your student with completing his/her Free Application for Federal Student Aid
 - Opens January 1! (Complete as soon as possible!)
 - NEVER pay for the FAFSA! Complete at www.fafsa.gov
- Encourage student to continue to search and complete scholarships
 - ISD Foundation scholarships are due on February 4th @ 4pm
 - <http://ourisdf.org/scholarships/foundation-scholarships/>
- Help your student check their email and finish any verification forms from financial aid offices
- Review financial aid award letters together and help decide what is best for your student
- Make sure your student completes any other "To Do" list items for the colleges that they choose.
 - Enrollment deposits, housing applications, orientations reservations, scholarship paperwork
- Praise your student for the accomplishment of graduating and beginning their journey to SUCCESS!**

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