

College Prep Checklist

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Gear Up Your College Search Efforts

- ☐ Revisit <u>CollegeRaptor.com/college-search</u> to update your options.
- ☐ Start to narrow down and prioritize your list.
- ☐ Make sure your college list includes safety, match, and reach schools.
- ☐ Attend college fairs in your area.
- ☐ Visit the campuses you're interested in.
- ☐ Meet college admission representatives at your high school or in your area.
- ☐ Talk to current students about college life and their majors.

Take the SAT and/or ACT

- ☐ Check with your counselor on the standardized test(s) that are right for you.
- \square Register to take the exam(s).
- ☐ Study, study, study, and attend review courses or use online resources.

Ace the Academics

- ☐ Consider if AP/1B classes are right for you; if they are, take them.
- ☐ Check the requirements for graduation and admission at the colleges you're interested in.
- ☐ Continue to strive for a great GPA.
- ☐ Build good study habits.

Fine-Tune Your Finances

- ☐ Continue to explore financial aid.
- ☐ Search CollegeRaptor.com/scholarship/search for scholarships you could be eligible for.
- ☐ Continue saving money.

Stay Active

☐ Extracurriculars, jobs, and community service are important elements of your college applications. Continue participating in those activities!

REMINDER

Don't be afraid to look at colleges that may be a reach for you! Build a balanced list of potential colleges and remember to choose at least two "safe" schools where you're confident you'll be accepted.

