LHS College Planning Timeline- 2021- 2022

February

- Attend the “College Planning Night for Juniors” usually hosted on the third week of February (Feb. 17th, 2021)
- Sign up for a “Junior Conference” with your counselor, beginning on Mar. 1st. (Calendars are located outside each counselor’s door, or online [here](#)).
- Fill out “Guide to Selective Colleges” worksheet prior to your Junior Conference (located [here](#)).
- Consider registering for more rigorous, AP, honors, and IB classes your senior year
- Update your Naviance “Colleges I’m Thinking About” list, fill out the “SuperMatch” or “Advanced College Search” searches under “Find Your Fit”, and “Add Colleges To My College List”
- Update most regularly used email under “About Me”, then “My Account” in Naviance
- Hone in on clubs/activities/community service that sparks your interest, and consider ways to lead within them
- Consider applying for the Executive Internship program (3.5 unweighted GPA or higher, invite only)

March/April

- Sign up for test prep opportunities ([SAT](#) or Edgenuity for the SAT (please contact Mr. Gonzales for access-free!)) to prepare for the SAT/ACT (a full list of outside testing agencies are available from your counselor)
- Take the SAT on April 13th- (required for all juniors, free)
- Visit college campuses during spring break (counselors have a list of questions available to ask)
- Arrange Zoom meetings with admissions counselors, or schedule virtual tours of colleges campuses to research interest in school
- Take AP/IB exams
- Ask your counselor about potential college fly-in programs to apply for
- Continue touring college campuses
- Athletic aspirations? Register for the [NCAA/NAIA](#) eligibility centers
- Pursue summer opportunities (internships, on-campus college programs, volunteer opportunities, or work; folders of offerings available in the counseling center)
- Register for LHS’ College Boot Camp workshop (date TBD in May)
- Continue researching colleges you are interested in, and narrow down your choices via Naviance
- Create a [Common App](#) account and begin working on the essay prompts
- Begin list of individual college application deadlines you intend to apply for
- Check out the “Scholarship List” in the “Colleges” section of Naviance, and enroll in [Going Merry](#), the “common app for scholarships”
- Complete the “[College Opportunity Fund](#)” application online (free in-state college tuition stipend)

August

- Attend the LHS College Boot Camp (more information TBD)
- Attend College Application Process Night (date TBD)
- Register for upcoming fall [ACT/SAT](#) dates if applicable (recommended to take no more than 3 times)
- Request letters of recommendation from your teachers and counselors
- Speak with your counselor regarding highly competitive scholarship opportunities and other resources
September

☐ Attend the Out of State College Fair at LHS, and the additional Financial Aid breakout session (Date TBD)
☐ Set up a “Senior Interview” with your counselor
☐ Narrow down your college search, add to “Colleges I’m Applying To” in Naviance, and continue working on your Common App account (if applicable), or Coalition App account (if applicable)
☐ Continue working on your college essays (unit worked on within English classes)
☐ Early Decision? Early Action? Determine appropriate deadlines for which schools and plan accordingly
☐ Sign up for and attend individual college rep visits (full list available in Naviance), and have a list of questions prepared to ask them (counselors have a list available upon request)

October

☐ Finish up your college applications
☐ Request transcripts to send to colleges via the “green sheets” or the transcript request: college applications Google form (housed with Mrs. Schechter in counseling or online)
☐ Continue visiting college campuses you are interested in
☐ Determine colleges that may highly encourage an interview, and schedule accordingly
☐ Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and CSS Profile (if needed by college) as soon as possible, after Oct. 1st
☐ Attend the FAFSA completion night hosted by LHS (By appointment only, date and time TBD)

November

☐ Hit submit on your college applications! November 1st, 15th, and Dec. 1st deadlines pending
☐ Send thank you notes to your teachers and counselors regarding your letters of recommendation
☐ Don’t stop! Continue looking at Naviance, Going Merry, and Counseling homepage for scholarship resources
☐ Retake SAT/ACT (if needed)

December

☐ Submit applications for pending Dec. 1st, 15th, and January 1st deadlines
☐ Nail your finals by studying hard for them
☐ Rescind any outstanding applications (assuming you’ve been accepted ED)

January/February 2021

☐ Contact financial aid offices of favored colleges in order to account for the most aid possible
☐ Continue perusing through scholarship resources available (further lists provided by counselors)
☐ Mid-Year transcripts and reports will be sent out for Common App schools by counselors automatically- no need to request!
☐ Continue taking a rigorous course load (colleges expect you to stay focused your ENTIRE senior year!)

March/April

☐ Make your final college selection- Universal college selection deadline is May 1st
☐ Continue to look for LHS student specific scholarship opportunities (counselors can help)

May

☐ Take your AP/IB finals
☐ Continue to look for scholarships
☐ Complete your Senior Survey (located in Naviance on the right side; REQUIRED to graduate)
☐ GRADUATE! Congratulations!
All final transcripts will be automatically mailed to the NCAA/NAIA and your confirmed college (based on your Senior Survey responses)

BEST OF LUCK! YOU WILL DO GREAT THINGS!!!