

PREPARING FOR COLLEGE

YOUR JUNIOR YEAR

FALL

Plan Ahead

- Create a study plan for the ACT
- Sign up for virtual college visits
- Explore colleges via College Board
- Focus on good grades

You can use the College Board's
Big Future tool to find schools
based on your criteria like:
location, student life, diversity,
cost, special programs, and more!

SPRING Tidy Up

- Start to narrow down your college search
- Begin looking for scholarships
- Focus on good grades
- Register for the June/July ACT
- Identify a teacher/coach/advisor who might write you a letter of recommendation



When you apply to college, they will only see your GPA through the end of your junior year so make sure you finish the year strong! Try keeping a calendar, planner, or a college binder to stay on track!



WINTER

Focus In

- Plan on taking the ACT 2-3 times
- Continue studying for the ACT
- Register for February/April test
- Continue to explore colleges
- Get involved if you aren't already
- Focus on good grades

You may qualify for ACT/SAT waivers that would make testing free! Check with your IKIC advisor.

SUMMER

Make the Most of your Time

- Continue studying for the ACT
- Stay involved
- Begin brainstorming your Common App essay
- Make a chart of your extracurriculars
- Visit your top 4-5 colleges (virutally or in person)