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# THE ULTIMATE STEP-BY-STEP COLLEGE APPLICATION PLANNER

Parenting



*...in real life*

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## Senior Year Deadline Worksheet TO-DO List

Add your College Deadlines

WEEK	TASKS	COMPLETE?	NOTES
2020			
	Revise personal statement;		
	Request letters of recommendation		
	Finalize college list		
	Meet w/ school counselor		
	Continue to develop personal statement		
	Continue to develop Common Application		
	Review Supplemental writing requirements		
	Continue to develop personal statement		
	Continue to develop Common Application		
	Review Supplemental writing requirements		
	Finalize personal statement		
	Continue to develop Common Application		
	Review Supplemental writing requirements		
	Explore Admissions interview opportunities		
	Financial Aid forms for EA/ED (if applicable)		
	Explore Admissions interview opportunities		

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	Complete Applications for Regular Admissions	
	Request Transcripts Sent (Regular)	
	Request Transcripts Sent (Regular)	
11/26/20	<b>THANKSGIVING</b>	

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### **Letters of Recommendation:**

<b>What is a letter of recommendation?</b>	<i>What is a letter of recommendation and how are these letters used in the college application process? Your letters of recommendation are a key element in your college application. These letters are most often used to learn more about you as a person, beyond your GPA and test scores. Colleges use these letters to assess your passions, goals, and character. Ideally, these letters should help set your application apart from other applications, and demonstrate what makes you a unique candidate for the college.</i>
<b>Who should I ask to write a letter of recommendation for me?</b>	<i>Most schools ask for two letters of recommendation, generally from your high school teachers, but</i>
<b>What should these letters of recommendation include?</b>	
<b>When should I ask for my letters of recommendation?</b>	

## College Visits:

MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR COLLEGE VISITS	Notes
<i>Try to schedule your visit at a time when school is in session. You will get a much better feel of the campus, the students, and the general environment.</i>	
<i>Wear comfortable shoes and bring a camera.</i>	
<i>If possible, schedule an appointment with an admissions officer.</i>	
<i>Consider the college factors that matter most to you as you are researching the</i>	

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**Expectations:**

Reach Schools	50/50 Schools	Confident Schools
(Your profile falls outside of the profile identified by the college, but you feel that you have a unique circumstance		
committee. You realize that these schools may be a reach, but you would like to try.)		
Sample: Brown U		

Scores: GPA: ; ACT: ; SAT  
(Super Score)

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6. Predict the future	
7. Topic of your choosing	
Brainstorming for the Essay	
What are your major accomplishments, and why do you consider them accomplishments? Do not limit yourself to	

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