

100 Things to Do on a Successful Road to College.

Print out this handy list if you are a do-it-yourselfer. Highlight the areas in which you feel you might need a little help. For a reasonable price, we can be your expert advisors. Most of our families recover our fees through tremendous savings in college tuition. Every student who works with us makes informed decisions and gains confidence about college choices. Let us reduce your stress in this life-changing adventure.

\$89.00 1 Freshman-year Advisory Meeting

Plan four years of high school. Learn about GPA, AP courses, summer programs, leadership, standardized testing, your school's counseling office, volunteering, and college majors.

\$499.00 4 Sophomore-year Meetings



September) Focus on test-taking skills and goal setting. Sign up and preview PSAT 9/10. Strengthen English foundation. Evaluate volunteering and leadership opportunities.

November) Analyze PSAT 9/10 results. Hone critical reading skills. Complete applications to competitive sophomore summer programs. Complete GSA applications and GSE applications. Explore possible majors in college. Plan a college visit.

February) Complete applications to competitive junior-year programs. Construct a résumé. Practice interview skills. Improve math foundations. Evaluate class choices for next year.

April) Complete a practice ACT. Analyze all four sections for areas of improvement. Improve test-taking techniques. Practice speed-reading. Plan a 2nd college visit.

\$699.00 6 Junior-year Meetings



August) Explore GSP, GSA, and GSE programs. Determine opportunities as an upper-class student. Investigate Kentucky colleges. Learn about possible majors. Understand college finances, tuition, and scholarships.

September) Take a practice PSAT or ACT. Analyze test results for areas of improvement. Focus on English grammar. Review crucial math formulas. (Additional ACT and PSAT classes are available during the fall with 10% discount.)

November) Create a professional résumé. Improve your GSP, GSA, or GSE application. Devise essay ideas. Refine your essay (two essay edits included.) Understand the power of recommendation letters. Focus on meeting deadlines. Plan a college visit.

January) Complete applications to other summer programs. Plan classes for your senior year. Explore out-of-state colleges. Narrow down your major. Schedule a college trip. Evaluate volunteer and leadership opportunities. Create a separator.

March) 150 days left until college applications! Understand universities' acceptance criteria. Narrow your college choices: size, location, academic level, and campus opportunities. Create a college list with 10 possible institutions. Communicate with admission officers. Compare majors at each school. Gain knowledge of finances and scholarships.

May) Get ready for the June ACT. Analyze a Practice ACT for areas of improvement. Take an ACT class during the spring (with 10% discount.) Strengthen science and essay-writing skills. Review English grammar. Memorize essential math Formulas. Boost reading skills.

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6 Senior-year Fall Meetings

August) 75 days left until the first college-application deadlines! Understand merit-based scholarships. Learn about different fields within your major. Compare colleges that excel in your major. Explore essay ideas. Start the Common App. Identify mentors who will write recommendation letters. Complete the FAFSA.

September) Complete your first essay draft. (Support for 3 essays is included, two revisions per essay.) Compare Kentucky colleges. Evaluate extra-curricular activities, honors, and awards. Finish the Common App. Plan university visits and meet college reps at your school. Explore the Academic Common Market for majors not available in Kentucky.

September) Identify competitive, affordable, out-of-state programs. Finalize a list with 6 colleges that match your interest and personality. Become familiar with need-based scholarships and student loans. Complete additional essay questions for each college. Organize applications: sites, passwords, deadlines, requirements, and admission officers.

October) Take a practice ACT to prepare for the October ACT. Analyze your test results for areas of improvement. Take an ACT class during the fall (with 10% discount.) Strengthen science and essay-writing skills. Perfect your test-taking skills in English and math. Evaluate your critical reading skills. Submit applications to colleges with October deadlines.

November) Submit applications to colleges with November Deadlines. Communicate with college admission officers. Schedule college visits and meet with professors. Explore all possible scholarships. Finalize and submit essays.

November) Maximize available scholarships opportunities, offered by universities and organizations. Submit all college applications. Organize follow-up and make a to-do list for the winter. Happy Thanksgiving: you are done! Relax and wait for your admission results.



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6 Additional Senior-year Winter and Spring Meetings

For those students who want to apply to Ivy-league schools, honor programs, and top scholarships, the road to college is a little more complicated. Often, these students need to write 5-10 extra essays, each one as unique as the next. These students compete for coveted scholarships with students from 49 other states and numerous countries. One point on their test scores can make \$10,000 difference in tuition ... each year! Some of these students will pay no tuition at all. Applications need to be flawless, yet personal. Visits to top programs are necessary, and communication with admission officers is key.

We help these students stay organized during this stressful time. We support them with up to 10 essays (two revisions each) and a many as 12 college applications. We hone interview techniques and provide insight secrets to selective programs. We provide structure with their deadlines as they apply to a maximum number of scholarships. We guide them through prestigious local scholarship applications as well. These students do not *apply* to colleges; they *compete* for top spots, and every little detail counts.



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