Junior Year

College Prep Calendar & Checklist

September

- Register for PSAT in the Career Center
- Be sure you are taking a strong academic program
- □ Research Colleges through the Internet or visit the Counseling Office to see our books and use our Choices computer program.
 Research college, career and scholarship information through our web site at: www.slvhs.slv.k12.ca.us
 and see the Counseling page
- Plan the next two years extracurricular and community service activities
- Be sure you have a Social Security Number
- Apply to CSF and NHS if you are eligible

October

- □ Take the PSAT
- Attend College Information Meetings & Programs/Preview Days in your area
- ☐ Study hard these grades count!
- Select appropriate ROP classes & electives for 2nd semester
- Meet with college &/or military representatives during lunchtime.
 Watch the bulletin for dates
- Review specific entrance requirements for post-secondary education, training programs, and/or military.
- Take the Keirsey Personality
 Temperament Sorter
- Prepare for Career Panels by reviewing your career pathways and goals
- Apply to NHS if you are eligible

November

- Begin to familiarize yourself with college terminology
- Go to College and Career Night at Cabrillo first Mon. of Nov. from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Detailed flyers are available in the Counseling Office. Check Cabrillo's web site for more information: www.cabrillo.edu/news
- Meet with Guidance Counselor, Evaluate college choices; Review High School transcripts
- □ Attend Career Panels
- Select appropriate job shadowing placement
- ☐ Investigate community college &/or university courses
- Develop and pursue Internships based on interests &/or hobbies

December

- Talk to your Senior friends about their college applications
- READ anything and everything!
 The more you read, the higher your
 SAT/ACT scores will be. Increase your vocabulary.
- □ Visit colleges during vacation and complete more online college searches and surveys.
- Investigate NCAA eligibility and registration.

January

- Review your PSAT scores. Use them as a learning tool to better prepare for SATs
- Consider an SAT or ACT prep course before spring tests.
- Study hard for your finals
- Record progress toward graduation at the end of the semester and research colleges.
- □ Save exemplary assignments for your Senior Portfolio
- Register for Feb. ACT
- Look at the FAFSA application. You and your parents can complete a practice application in preparation for next January of senior year.

February

- □ Remember this is the last semester that is used in your GPA/rank for college applications. (You will report final senior grades to colleges at the end of your senior year.)
- Register for March SAT I
- □ Take ACT
- Apply to CSF if you are eligible
- Consider Job Shadow Day
- Complete an I-Search matching career interests with appropriate post-secondary options (i.e. colleges). Use handbooks and Choices computer program in the Career Center
- Send your parents to the Financial Aid Workshop

March

- Register for May AP exams
- Take SAT
- Register for April or May SAT I, ACT, & for private colleges, SAT II
- □ Use spring break to visit colleges
- Research interesting and challenging summer courses, job or activity
- □ Consider a college summer program
- □ Attend lunch meeting for off-campus ROP courses for next year.

April

- □ Take ACT
- Attend College Fairs
- □ Remember to read
- Plan an interesting and challenging summer

May

- □ Take AP exams
- Take SAT I or SAT II (if you took AP exams & you're applying to private colleges; not required, but recommended for UCs)
- □ Register June SAT or ACT
- Confirm challenging senior year schedule
- Attend meetings to sign up for AP classes, if needed

June

- ☐ Take SAT I or ACT or SAT IIs; we offer the JUNE SAT test
- □ Study hard for your finals
- Save exemplary assignments for your Senior Portfolio

Summer

- Do something extraordinary
- Send for college applications or check out on the Internet
- Visit Colleges
- □ Complete NCAA registration
- Complete summer assignments for AP courses
- Read, read, read