**COLLEGE CHECKLIST**

**SENIORS SHOULD BEGIN NOW COMPLETING THE FOLLOWING STEPS.**

**FALL 2016**

**\_\_\_** COMPLETE THE COLLEGE ADMISSION APPLICATION(S) ONLINE.

\_\_\_ **“REQUEST FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION APPLICATION FEE WAIVER”** ARE AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS WHO RECEIVE FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH. **FORMS ARE LOCATED IN GUIDANCE**

\_\_\_ COMPLETE THE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION(S) BY THE DEADLINES. SOME COLLEGES HAVE SEPARATE APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS. MANY COLLEGES HAVE A DEC 1ST DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND MUST RECEIVE EVERYHTING BY THAT DATE FOR CONSIDERATION.

\_\_\_ GIVE TEACHERS AND MYSELF AT LEAST A **1 WEEK NOTICE** TO WRITE A RECOMMENDATION LETTER! I WILL NEED A RESUME.

\_\_\_ REQUEST THAT YOUR TRANSCRIPT AND ACT SCORES BE SENT TO THE COLLEGE(S). **TRANSCRIPT RELEASE FORM** **IS LOCATED BY MS. KEASLER’S OFFICE.**

­­\_\_\_ YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT THE COLLEGES YOU ARE APPLYING TO. SENIORS ARE ALLOWED 2 COLLEGE DAYS A YEAR. **THESE ARE EXCUSED ABSENCES AS LONG AS THE STUDENT COMPLETES THE COLLEGE DAY FORM WHICH IS LOCATED BY MS. KEASLER’S OFFICE.**

\_\_\_ KEEP TAKING THE ACT. REGISTER AT www.act.org. YOU MUST USE THE SARALAND’S HIGH SCHOOL CODE, **012379,** WHEN REGISTERING FOR THE ACT IN ORDER FOR YOUR ACT SCORE TO BE SENT WITH YOUR TRANSCRIPT TO COLLEGES. IF YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH, THEN YOU ARE ELLIGIBLE FOR A **FEE WAIVER**. **SEE GUIDANCE FOR THE WAIVERS.**

\_\_\_ MEET WITH OR TALK TO THE COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID DEPARTMENT FOR ALL OTHER GRANTS OR LOAN INFORMATION.

\_\_\_ MEET WITH OR TALK TO THE COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF YOUR INTENDED MAJOR(S) ABOUT ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENTAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

**SPRING 2017**

**\_\_** FOR FINANCIAL AID, COMPLETE THE FAFSA APPLICATION ON LINE AT [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) AS SOON AS YOUR PARENTS FILE THEIR 2016 INCOME TAX IN **JANUARY. THE EARLIER THE BETTER! FAFSA HAS DEADLINES TOO!**

\_\_\_ SIGN AND RETURN ALL SCHOLARSHIP ACCEPTANCE LETTERS TO ALL COLLEGES THAT YOU RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS FROM. IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO PLAY COLLEGE SPORTS, TALK WITH YOUR PARENTS AND COACH BEFORE SIGNING ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS.

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\_\_\_ PAY THE DORM DEPOSIT BY THE DEADLINE, IF YOU PLAN TO LIVE ON CAMPUS. PAY EARLY TO BE SURE TO SECURE A SPOT. CHECK TO SEE IF ALL OR PART OF THE DEPOSITS ARE REFUNDABLE.

\_\_\_ GIVE A COPY OF ALL SCHOLARHSIP LETTERS TO MRS. GRAHAM SO THEY CAN BE ANNOUNCED AT SENIOR AWARDS DAY.

\_\_\_ CHECK WITH THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OFFICE OR ONLINE PERIODICALLY, TO SEE IF THEY ARE MISSING ANY OF YOUR INFORMATION.

***\*These are general guidelines. Colleges/Universities vary with their admissions requirements, scholarship requirements, and deadlines!\****

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