

# T I M E L I N E

## for Juniors

### JUNIOR YEAR

- Fall: Sign-up in the fall to take the *SAT test* and/or the *ACT test with writing* in the spring  
SAT: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) ACT: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)  
Enter school code 480797 to have your test scores sent to MSHS  
The sooner you sign-up, the less driving you'll do on testing day!
- Fall: Take the *PSAT* at MSHS in mid-October; pay for PSAT test during Wildcat Days. General PSAT information is at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com); type in PSAT in the Search Box in upper right corner.
- Fall: Attend college visits in the Career Center at Mount Si HS in the fall
- Fall: If thinking about applying to a military service academy (West Point, Air Force Academy, Coast Guard Academy, Naval Academy) start the process now! Check with your counselor and career specialist for more information.
- Anytime: Explore careers and see which colleges offer the degree(s) that will help you reach your career goal
- Anytime: Visit college campuses now and during the summer before Senior year if possible
- Anytime: Fill out the FAFSA4caster at [www.FAFSA4caster.ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA4caster.ed.gov) to get an early start on the financial aid process
- Anytime: Start searching for scholarships
- Anytime: Check your online reputation!  
For starters: Do you have an appropriate email address to give to colleges and employers?  
Does your Facebook page reflect who you truly are? Private colleges are now asking for your Facebook URL.  
Google your name, and check [www.openbook.org](http://www.openbook.org) to see where your name appears on Facebook.  
Find out your online identity at [www.onlineidcalculator](http://www.onlineidcalculator)  
Check Twitter and LinkedIn.
- Spring: If you wish to try to improve your test scores from the spring test(s) you took, sign-up in late spring/early summer (before July!) to take the SAT or ACT again in the fall of Senior year
- Spring: Think about which teachers could write an exceptional college reference letter for you
- Spring: Think about ideas for your essay - some event/person that brought a shift in your outlook on life