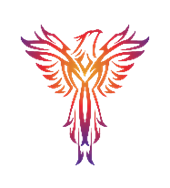
Senior Year checklist



# Fall Semester

Review courses, graduation requirements, and scholarship opportunities with Mrs. Lackey

Have parent/guardian complete child nutrition form to qualify for fee waivers (let Mrs. Lackey know)

Register for the first SAT/ACT offered this fall if necessary

Select colleges to apply to (a reach school, safety school, and others in between- recommend no more than 5)

Complete Residency Determination Service- keep your PIN number in a safe place for college applications

Start the Common App and college applications not on the Common App

Write, edit, proofread, and rewrite your admissions essay and writing prompts in Common App

Ask teachers, counselors, or community leaders to write recommendation letters to support your applications at least 2 weeks in advance

Participate in College Application Week (fees are waived for some colleges in NC week of 10/21)

Participate in ECU free application week if interested (9/23-9/27)

FAFSA opens December 1st, parents and students can create FSA ID prior to FAFSA opening (studentaid.gov)

Keep track of application and financial aid deadlines for school specific scholarships, deadlines, and forms

Check college scholarship websites for school specific scholarship information and deadlines

☐ Check Going Merry for any local scholarships you can apply for and send in applications

☐ 10/8/24 CFNC Financial Aid night for parents and students 6PM Myers Center

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Continuously check Going Merry for local scholarships. Apply for everything!

Compare admission acceptance letters and financial aid packages.

Apply for private education loans if needed. Limit the amount you borrow; you will have to pay it back and interest rates are typically high.

Send in enrollment deposit to hold your spot at the college you choose. Deadline is usually May 1st.

Make sure your final high school transcript is sent to your college of choice- Mrs. Lackey will do this for you if you apply through Common App. If you applied through a college’s website or CFNC, you will send through CFNC once final grades are posted.

Request Gaston College transcripts be sent to your final college choice once final grades are posted- this can be done through Watermark and is your responsibility.