

School Year: Senior (12 th Grade)					
Important Events	August	September	October	November	December
-FAFSA due ASAP after Jan. 01 -SAT or ACT -Sr. Project due dates -College application dates -AP exams -Georgia High School Writing Test retakes -GHS GT retakes -EOCT -AP exams -ASVAB testing	>Sr. Project introduction initial planning >Order catalogs and/or applications from targeted schools >Arrange for campus visits >Register for the SAT or ACT	>Preliminary Sr. Project papers due >Begin to research scholarship sources; request scholarship information >Letters of recommendation (if required) >Writing Test retakes	>Sr. Project: Outline due >Work on application essay >Apply for admission to chosen schools >List deadlines for grant/scholarship applications >Watch for ASVAB testing dates to be posted.	>Sr. Project: Work on & complete research paper >Parents need to gather information for FAFSA >List deadlines and requirements for colleges you are considering >Sign up for ASVAB testing	>Sr. Project: Organize Sr. Project portfolio >Update your gacollege411 account

January	February	March	April	May	Summer Break:
>Sr. Project: Portfolio check >Submit FAFSA online >Have FAFSA information sent to all schools you are considering (up to 6) >Submit all forms required for application	>Sr. Project: Prepare for presentation >Check on receipt of FAFSA >Watch for SAR (Student Aid Report) >Start reviewing for GHS GT re-takes	>Sr. Project: Presentations >Review & correct your SAR (if necessary) >Copies of parent tax forms may be due to financial aid offices >review time lines for submitting college paperwork >GHS GT retakes >Sign up for ASSET testing >Work-Ready Testing	>Watch for acceptance letters >Send thank-you notes to folks who recommended and/or helped you with your Senior year >Be on the lookout for financial aid award letters >Post-secondary decision should be finalized by May 01. >Begin preparing for EOCTs	>Send your deposit to the school of choice >If accepted to colleges you will not attend, notify them of your intentions >Student Loan: check with your Credit Union and get their lender code >AP exams >confirm that transcripts have been sent to preferred schools >EOCTs >AP Exams >Clear all fines/books with Media Center	>Monitor college savings account monies >Pay or make arrangements to pay all school fees and bills due prior to the beginning of the school year >Make a list and purchase necessary items for your dorm room, etc.

School Year: Junior (11th Grade)				
Important Events	August	September	October	November-December
-PSAT ACT or SAT Pre-registration for your SENIOR YEAR!!! -Writing Tests -Graduation Tests -EOCT -AP Exams -ASVAB testing	>Check on deadlines for SAT and ACT sign-up >Set aside money to pay for PSAT registration	>Review the requirements for AP courses >Review college requirements: make sure you are taking courses that are required by the school of your choice >Georgia High School Writing Test >Don't miss PSAT registration deadline	>Preview your schedule and transcript >Start collecting and organizing >Schedule ACT and/or SAT test >Research which test(s) are accepted at your chosen schools >PSAT testing >Junior Advisement: use this time to review your transcript and pre-register for Senior classes! >Watch for ASVAB testing dates to be posted	>Use holiday time to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • visit with folks who are graduates or currently enrolled in schools of interest to you • Visit with adults about career choices • Visit college campuses that you are considering attending >Update your gacollege411 account

January-March	April-May	Summer Break
>Organize information on schools you would like to attend. Include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • financial aid • living costs • meal costs • transportation • academic requirements • test scores • due dates for applications, letters of recommendation, fees, etc. • Take the SAT, ACT, or both • GHSGT battery • Colleges you would like to visit >Prepare for Georgia High School Graduation Tests to be given in March	>Begin a list of tasks to complete during your Senior year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • transcript requests • FAFSA forms • Financial aid applications and scholarship inquiries • Meet with college, tech school, and/or military reps visiting your high school >Contact AP instructors for summer assignments >Summer School (if offered): pick up application and register early >Update your gacollege411 account >Begin preparing for EOCTs to be given in May >AP Exams in May >Clear all fines/books with Media Center	>Plan additional college visits to make during your Senior year >Save money from your summer job >Think about job supervisors or other folks from whom you may need recommendation letters >continue pursuing meaningful volunteer activities >Begin thinking about your Sr. Project >Work on AP summer assignments

School Year: Sophomore (10th Grade)		
Important Events	August – October	November – December
-PSAT ACT or SAT -EOCT	>Continue being involved in extracurricular activities, clubs, etc. >Begin researching colleges that interest you >Begin/continue researching career choices >PSAT	>Consider taking the SAT, ACT, or both in the spring. Check for registration dates/fees >Update your gacollege411 account >Monitor grades and credits earned >prepare to pre-register for your Junior Year

January – March	April – May	Summer Break
>Sophomore Advisement: Pre-registration for Junior year >PSAT testing >research AP and honors-level credit courses for next year >Survey academic enrichment programs, camps, or workshops >Research paths to make up classes for which you received no credit	>Consider work-based learning opportunities for 2 nd semester next year and/or your Sr. year >List the pros and cons of technical schools, colleges, or military opportunities >Read and grow your vocabulary >Summer School (if offered): pick up application and register early >Update your gacollege411 account >Begin preparing for EOCTs to be given in May >Update your gacollege411 account Clear all fines/books with Media Center tact AP instructors for summer assignments	>Work a part-time or summer job >Consider volunteering at a community service camp, church or school camp, etc. >Try to visit at least 1 or 2 college campuses >Work on AP summer assignments

School Year: Freshman (9th Grade)		
Important Events	August –October	November - December
-PSAT is administered in Mid –October -EOCT	Broaden your horizons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Join at least one club that complements your interest area • Consider joining a club that involves activities you have never participated in • Check your schedule and begin working on your graduation plan • Establish a gacollege411 account • Optional: Sign up for the PSAT prior to the second week of September • Get involved in extracurricular activities 	>Review your first 9 weeks of High School. Do you need to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a homework routine? • Use a planner to track assignments? • Ask for an in-school tutor? • Sign up for after-school tutoring with your teacher(s)? • Turn in missed assignments? >Update your gacollege411 account

January – March	April – May	Summer Break
>Review your first semester of High School >Establish habits that promote success and eliminate activities that interfere with family, school, volunteering, or work >Establish goals that include becoming involved in organizations, clubs, etc. >Pre-register for Sophomore classes. Review your class choices and make arrangements to make up any classes for which you received no credit during first semester	>Monitor your credits earned >Repair your transcript and GPA by making up classes for which you received no credit >Consider working to pay for enrichment classes taken on-line >Begin preparing for your second year in High School >Complete updates to your gacollege411account >Summer School (if offered): pick up application and register early >Begin preparing for EOCTs to be given in May	>Part-time or summer job >Open a savings account for college >Start making a list of jobs you might be able to keep from summer to summer >Choose at least one organization or company for volunteer work

School Year: 8th Grade				
Important Events	August - December	January – March	April – May	Summer Break
-Writing Test -CRCT -High school registration	>Review your selection of career-intro classes >Research careers and seek guidance from counselors, parents, professionals, etc.	>Spend your CRCT review time wisely. CRCT scores may determine placement in high school classes >Review high school handbook/policies on-line >Narrow your choice of career elective classes >Register for high school classes	>Review class schedule for next year >Begin planning for study time, extra-curricular activities, part-time job, etc. >Turn in application for Panther Academy >Finalize graduation plan; Work with your counselor and parents	>Consider what kind of summer job would give you the most valuable experience >Work part-time at a summer job >Research and/or volunteer in your community >Attend Panther Academy