

## CLASS OF 2013

### First Semester Check List for Juniors

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(Please post on your fridge.)

Do the best you can in all your classes this year. If you had slumps in previous years, they may be overlooked if you show strong signs of improvement this year! J

If not done recently, call Eric to arrange an “update” meeting and progress call. This can be done by means of a conference call or in one of our offices.

PSAT is coming up for most of you. Remember the questions that are on the PSAT were drawn from actual SAT I tests. If you are planning on preparing for the SAT or ACT check out what I believe to be the best test prep program available today.

[www.eprep.com](http://www.eprep.com) Ask us about our special discounts off the online retail costs.

Review the colleges we have given you based on your profile. Let us know which ones you have visited and/or plan to visit this fall. Fall of the junior year is the best time to start visiting colleges! Try to get a couple out of the way. Email us your observations.

Junior year class work and teacher recommendations will be a very important part of your applications next fall. At least two will be teachers you have this year. Establish a positive relationship with all your teachers. Do not hesitate to ask for help when needed.

Refer to your personal handbooks again. Use the **AAA** method of researching ALL college and university web sites. Your goal is to learn as much about the school as possible, so that when you do visit it will give you a feeling of déjà vu. Jot down good questions to ask on 3/5 cards.

Plan specific dates for college visits; look ahead on your school calendars to your winter and spring break vacations.

Organize your college materials in boxes and folders. File by college and preference all the material many of you have already received. Do not throw anything out *yet*.

Go back and review the results of your self-assessments. Thoughtfully, consider the fields of study. Do some research on your own, and follow up with us. This is your transition year, and if any reevaluation needs to be done, let me know.

**If you PSAT is 190** or higher, plan on taking your first **SAT I on January 28**, (register by 12/30/11) and your second (if necessary) on May 5, 2012 (register by 4/6/12). **SAT II's next June 2** (register by 5/8/12) and AP tests are in May. We will discuss this in detail during our call. (See # 2)

If your test taking strategy includes the ACT, you will take that test on June

Best wishes for a great junior year!

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