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### **Sophomore Year College Preparation Checklist**

<b>September – December</b>	<b>January – March</b>	<b>April – August</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Find out what resources are available in your high school to help you plan for college.</li><li>✓ Talk to your counselor and visit your school or library to find information about colleges, careers, and scholarship planning.</li><li>✓ Review catalogs, computerized college-search programs, <a href="http://collegeboard.com">collegeboard.com</a></li><li>✓ Start your personal profile so you will have this information handy when you fill out college applications.</li><li>✓ Update plans for courses you'll take in high school and extracurricular activities you'll pursue.</li><li>✓ If you are in an accelerated Math course or English Honors, plan to take the PSAT/NMSQT in <b>October</b> of your sophomore year.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Ask your counselor about taking SAT II: Subject Tests. It is a good idea to take some tests just after you finish your last course in the subject, e.g., the sciences, history, and math. You'll do better on other tests, such as writing and the language tests, after several years of study.</li><li>✓ Think about taking on leadership roles within an organization or sports team.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Plan to visit colleges over the summer. There are many college catalogs and publications to help you plan your visits. You can also contact the colleges online to make an appointment for your visit.</li><li>✓ Memorize your social security number; you'll need it to take tests, applying for college, financial aid, and jobs.</li><li>✓ Consider taking a summer course at your local College within a field you are interested in majoring in.</li></ul>