

# Graduation Checklist

- Apply for college admission to meet priority deadlines
  - Complete application(s):
  - Pay application fee or submit fee waiver
  - Request test scores be sent to the college from ACT/SAT
  - Request transcript to be sent from your high school guidance office
- Sign Up for the ACT/SAT: [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org) and [sat.org](http://sat.org)
- Look into Scholarship Opportunities
  - Check colleges' websites for scholarships they offer: What is the priority deadline? Do you need a resume, essay, or letters of recommendation?
  - Local/State Scholarships: Check the list at [get2college.org](http://get2college.org) and ask your counselor for a list.
  - National Scholarships: [bigfuture.collegeboard.org](http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org); [fastweb.com](http://fastweb.com); [unigo.com](http://unigo.com)
- Create your high school resume – templates available from Get2College Center
- Get to know your College Recruiters
  - Email or call college recruiters to ask any questions or check your admission status and visit with them when they come to your school
- Schedule a Campus Visit
  - Call the college admission office or go on their website to schedule a tour
  - Check to see if your high school has a special procedure for campus visit days
- Utilize job shadowing or internships to learn about possible careers
- Secure Letters of Recommendation
- Check colleges' websites for Net Price Calculator to see the cost of attending college
- Complete your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid application during your senior year any time after October 1 at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) and [msfinancialaid.org](http://msfinancialaid.org). Supporting documents may be required by the Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid. View complete rules and regulations for state financial aid at [msfinancialaid.org](http://msfinancialaid.org).
- Apply for Housing and Pay Deposit
- Complete Verification if selected by the college
- Review and compare Financial Aid Award notices and make final decisions
- Sign up for Orientation and register for classes
- Request your final transcript be sent to the college of your choice upon graduation
- Complete online Loan Counseling and sign Master Promissory Note if you accept a student loan

