

COLLEGE PLANNING CHECKLIST

JUNIOR year

FALL // SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER

- Take courses that satisfy **PRE-COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**.
- GET INVOLVED** in an extra-curricular activity.
- Enroll in **ACT/SAT PRACTICE PROGRAMS**.
- PREPARE A LIST** of college majors/activities that interest you.

SPRING // JANUARY-MAY

- REVIEW YOUR LIST** of college majors and activities. Research schools.
- ATTEND COLLEGE FAIRS** and meet with admissions counselors.
- EARN EARLY CREDIT** by enrolling in AP and dual-credit courses.
- REGISTER EARLY** for the ACT/SAT.

SUMMER // JUNE-AUGUST

- VISIT NKU'S CAMPUS** for *Welcome Wednesday*, our junior visit program.
- Visit several schools the summer **before** senior year.

SENIOR year

AUGUST

- Choose courses meeting **NKU'S PRE-COLLEGE CURRICULUM** requirements.
- GET INVOLVED** in community service and extra-curricular activities.
- REGISTER** for September ACT.
- APPLY TO NKU** at nku.edu/apply.

SEPTEMBER

- TAKE ACT** or **REGISTER** for October ACT/SAT.
- PREPARE QUESTIONS** for admission counselors at college fairs or visiting your high school.

OCTOBER

- FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)** - opens October 1.
- TAKE ACT/SAT**.
- BEGIN RESEARCHING** scholarship opportunities.
- VISIT NKU** during *Black & Gold Open House*.

NOVEMBER

- SUBMIT COLLEGE APPLICATIONS**. Many deadlines for scholarships are December 1.
- APPLY TO NKU** at nku.edu/apply and keep track of deadlines.

DECEMBER

- COMPLETE ADMISSION APPLICATION**.
- Consider re-taking the ACT/SAT to improve scores and increase your chances of earning merit scholarships.
- SPEND WINTER BREAK** researching free internet sites for independently funded scholarships, like *fastweb.com*.
- Begin thinking about **HOUSING OPTIONS** at NKU.

JANUARY

- HOUSING APPLICATION** and **PRIORITY HOUSING SELECTIONS** opens.
- STILL FINALIZING COLLEGE PLANS?** Schedule a return visit to NKU.
- HONORS PRIORITY APPLICATION DEADLINE** - January 15, nku.edu/honors.

FEBRUARY

- NKU SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE** - February 15. Complete a scholarship application by the deadline to be eligible for consideration.
- REGISTRATION and ORIENTATION DATES OPEN**. Upon confirming NKU acceptance, you will receive an email to sign up for orientation. Dates are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- If you have not already done so, **APPLY FOR ADMISSION**. Students applying after February 15 risk not being considered for admission.

MARCH

- HOUSING PRIORITY DEADLINE** - March 15. Consider housing options and submit your housing application.
- WATCH YOUR EMAIL** for reminders/invitations to events like *Accepted Student Nights* and *New Student Registration and Orientation*.

APRIL

- MAKE YOUR FINAL DECISION**. Make last visits to schools in which you have been admitted.
- CONFIRM YOUR ENROLLMENT**. Reserve your place at NKU by paying your \$75 confirmation fee by May 1.
- SCHEDULE REGISTRATION & ORIENTATION DATES** for *Northern Exposure* upon confirming enrollment.
- HONORS APPLICATION DEADLINE** - April 15.

MAY

- NKU'S FINAL HOUSING DEADLINE** - May 1.
- PAY REGISTRATION & ORIENTATION FEES** for *Northern Exposure*.

JUNE and JULY

- SEND FINAL TRANSCRIPTS** to NKU.
- Work and save for your **COLLEGE SPENDING ACCOUNT**.
- ATTEND NORTHERN EXPOSURE REGISTRATION**.
- START PACKING** for college!

AUGUST

- ATTEND NORTHERN EXPOSURE ORIENTATION**.