



# COLLEGE BOUND PANTHERS



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## September Senior Task List

These are important tasks that you must be taking the initiative to complete if you want to be stay informed, on top of your game, and enjoying your very first college classes this time next year!

### 1. Create your list of match & fit colleges and universities (at least 4!) that you would like to attend.

*Tip: Choose at least 4: one safety school, two target schools, and one reach school*

### 2. If you don't already have one, create your own personal email to use for everything college related (and to carry on into your college career!). You can't use mom's forever!

*Tip: I recommend a Gmail account as it has the best functionality while also being a professional email provider.*

### 3. Create a calendar with application deadlines, test dates, and scholarship deadlines.

*Tip: Google calendar is a wonderful tool, or even your own smartphone calendar!*

### 4. Start registering for the Oct. 3rd SAT and Oct. 24th ACT.

*Tip: If you need help registering of qualify for a fee waiver (part of TRIO, on free or reduced lunch, in foster care, etc.) then come see Ms. Sandman*

### 5. Begin drafting your application essays.

*Tip: If you need someone to look over or revise your essay, feel free to send them to Ms. Sandman at [ssandman@live.unc.edu](mailto:ssandman@live.unc.edu).*

### 6. Start asking teachers you have a good relationship with if they would be willing to write you a letter of recommendation. These are very important parts of your application!

*Tip: Make sure to give the teacher at least 2 weeks notice so that they can write a quality letter of recommendation.*

### 7. Research institutional scholarship deadlines for each of the colleges or universities you're applying to.

Feel free to contact Ms. Sandman with any questions about the college application process:

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### FAQs:

#### Q: Do I have to take the SAT or ACT to go to college?

A: More likely than not, YES!  
Only 5 colleges/universities in NC are test-optional (meaning it is not required to send them your test scores).

#### Q: What GPA, SAT scores, or ACT scores do I need to get into college?

A: To gain acceptance into any of the 16 UNC system schools, you need a minimum 2.5 weighted GPA, a minimum 800 SAT (critical reading + math), or a minimum composite score of 17 on the ACT.

### Upcoming College Deadlines

(Early Action—non-binding)

- North Carolina State University (Oct. 15th)
- UNC Chapel Hill (Oct. 15th)
- UNC Charlotte (Nov. 1st)
- UNC Greensboro (Nov. 1st)
- UNC Wilmington (Nov. 1st)

Oct. 3rd SAT registration deadline: Sept. 22nd

Oct. 24th ACT registration deadline: Sept. 18th