



KENT SCHOOL

COLLEGE COUNSELING

4th FORM COLLEGE CHECK LIST

Yes – you can start now!

_____ **Challenge Yourself.** Meet with your academic advisor to review the classes you have signed up for next year. Make sure you design the best plan for YOU in terms of your schedule.

_____ **Meet With Your College Counselor.** Ideally you should meet individually with your counselor at least once before you leave for summer vacation.

_____ **Complete 4th Form Year End Assessment.** Review with your college counselor.

_____ **Prepare for Final Exams.** Remember – the *most* important piece of your college application will be your academic record, including ALL four years of high school.

_____ **Consider taking an SAT II subject test in June or August.** Visit the College Board website at www.collegeboard.org to see which tests to consider (Chemistry, French...etc)

_____ **Have a Summer Plan!** There is no formula for what makes a productive summer, but any activity that encourages personal growth can be considered a valuable experience. There are many options – a summer job, volunteering locally, shadowing a professional you know, study abroad, working as a camp counselor etc... Tap into your interests and see where they take you!

_____ **Keep Reading!** There is no way around it – the more you read, the better your verbal, writing and critical thinking ability will be. These are all skills that will help you, from your classes at Kent to standardized testing and writing your college essay.

_____ **Research Colleges – It's never too early!** Speak to friends and family members about where they went to school and visit college websites on-line to get a better sense of what is out there. Using the tools provided by Family Connection and College Navigator can help too!

_____ **Prep for 5th Form Classes – Make sure to review summer reading assignments for English and any AP classes you will be taking.** It's important to start your junior year off right!

Have a Great Summer!