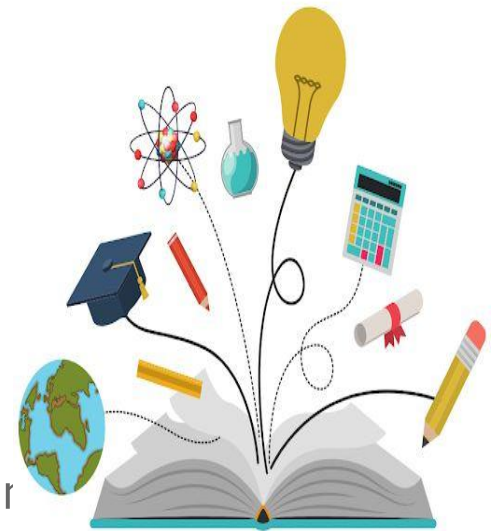


# Tips for the College Application Process



# Junior Year Suggestions

- College Search--Research, Research, Research!
- Use Naviance, explore Supermatch
- Keep track of colleges you like -- start a spreadsheet
- SAT/ACT/SAT Subject Test (we know it's a confusing time)
- Keep your grades strong (again, we know it's a confusing time)



# Junior Year Suggestions Continued. . .

- Consider your senior year schedule, don't overwhelm yourself
- Ask for 1-2 teacher recommendations, your counselor also will write a recommendation
- Continue your research and participate in online tours
- Participate in webinars and reach out to college professors

**There are opportunities waiting for you!**



# Summer before Senior Year

- Continue your research
- Update your spreadsheet and finalize your college list, think about the categories: SAFETY, TARGET, and REACH
- Involve your parents in the discussion -- they could also help with organization
- In August, start applications (this could be Common Application, Coalition or the college-specific application)
- ESSAYS, ESSAYS and More ESSAYS**



# Fall of Senior Year

- Visit with college representatives who are at PHS
- Complete the FAFSA, opens October 1st
- Set weekly goals regarding college applications -- organization is key
- Keep your grades up -- yes, they really matter
- Look for scholarship opportunities, honors applications

**Remember, there is not only one school for you!**



**There is a light at the end of the tunnel!**

# College Bound

