## NEW MILLENNIUM SECONDARY SCHOOL 11<sup>th</sup> Grade "College Planning" Calendar

	September	October	November	December	January	
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	February	March	April	May	June	
	Register for the April ACT. See your counselor for a fee waiver. Take an SAT/ACT prep class. Continue researching colleges and scholarships. Keep your grades up – very important for college admissions.Take the SAT Your counselo Continue rese and scholarships. Keep your grades up – very important for college admissions.	<ul> <li>Register for the May SAT I. See your counselor for a fee waiver.</li> <li>Continue researching colleges and scholarships.</li> <li>Keep your grades up - very important for college admissions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Take ACT.</li> <li>Register for June SAT II.</li> <li>Continue your list of 10-20 colleges to apply. Contact colleges and get any information you need. Read, discuss, listen, and visit colleges.</li> <li>Keep your grades up – very important for college admissions.</li> <li>Quarter 4 begins - Apr. 4</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Take SAT I.</li> <li>Narrow down your college list.</li> <li>Decide which colleges you can visit this summer.</li> <li>Consider taking a college course at community college; Register as early as possible.</li> <li>Register for summer school.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Take ACT, SAT I/SAT II.</li> <li>Finish the year with flying colors! This is your most important term (quarter 3 &amp;4) for colleges.</li> <li>Finalize summer plans.</li> <li>College courses begin at community college.</li> <li>Arrange for a graduation check with your counselor.</li> <li>Quarter 4 ends – June 16</li> </ul>	
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