OPTIONS

- Enlisting – recruiters visit monthly outside the cafeteria. See recruiter contact information under colleges on family connection.
- Employment – Complete student and parent questionnaire if recommendation required. [http://www.myskillsource.org/page/id/13/locations](http://www.myskillsource.org/page/id/13/locations)

COLLEGE

1) Research colleges in Family Connection (accessed via Blackboard 24/7).
   **Note:** Blackboard 24/7 will be down for processing from June 16-23.
   - Complete College Search
   - Save to My Colleges > Colleges I’m Thinking About
     *this will generate an email to you when one of these colleges schedules an information session in the Career Center
   - Use the Compare Me tool in My Colleges and review scattergram graphs to confirm you have safety, target, and reach schools.
   - Take note of college deadlines and prioritize your applications

2) Select one teacher to complete the Teacher Comment form.

3) Complete the Student Questionnaire* and Parent Questionnaire*.

4) Polish your Resume

5) Schedule college visits.

6) Begin thinking of teachers you want to ask to write a letter of recommendation on your behalf. You are encouraged to put in your request before you leave for the summer.

7) Register for Fall SAT and ACT tests after July 1, 2016.

8) Many applications are available by August 1. Begin preparing for the actual application process: draft application essays; collect writing samples; and assemble portfolios or audition tapes. Review Common Application essays ([http://www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org))

9) Register with NCAA Eligibility Center if you hope to play Division I or II sports. ([eligibilitycenter.org](http://eligibilitycenter.org))

10) Begin looking for scholarships. Check out the FAFSA4caster to estimate your eligibility for federal student aid. ([http://www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov))


12) Return your completed Student Questionnaire* and Parent Questionnaire* and Resume* to your school counselor by the first day of school, September 6, 2016.

Make sure to involve your parent(s)/guardian(s) in the college application process. Ensure that they are aware of your college and financial aid deadlines and request their assistance with your college search. Discuss any financial or geographical constraints that may exist. Enjoy!

*forms available in Student Services office and online
[http://www.fcps.edu/McLeanHS/student_services/forms.html](http://www.fcps.edu/McLeanHS/student_services/forms.html)