

GPS Plan Timeline - College Bound 2024-2025

To have your GPS Plan approved, please use this checklist, work with your College and Career Counselor and complete tasks by the deadlines.

| Task and Resources | Timeline |
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| “Colleges that I am applying to ...” Enter the postsecondary schools you are interested in applying to in Naviance. <i>*All students must apply to at least two GPS Partner Schools and one community college, all of which must be financially feasible.</i> | August 19 - September 4 |
| Select Your Fall College Visits (see guidelines) Provide this list to your college career counselor. | August 19 – September 4 |
| SAT Review Seniors should use the resources below to review and take practice tests. <i>Test Prep Assistance:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> College Board - https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat Khan Academy - https://www.khanacademy.org/sat | August - October |
| SAT Testing Testing will be at MHS. | October 9 |
| Campus Outreach – College Visits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with representatives from the school(s) you are considering attending. Attend an in-person visit. Talk with college career counselor about visit dates for GPS Partner Schools. | September - November |
| Create FSA ID Create your FSA ID here: https://fsaid.ed.gov | October |
| Complete FAFSA Worksheet Free Application for Free Student Aid (FAFSA) Worksheet to be completed by you and parent/sponsors. <i>*This is information that College and Career Counselors need to assist you in completing the financial aid (FAFSA) process!</i> | September - October |
| College Application(s) Deadline All applications for a Fall 2025 semester start date should be submitted to colleges by this date. <i>*All students must apply to at least two GPS Partner Schools and one community college, all of which must be financially feasible.</i> | November 8 |
| Complete Your 2025-2026 FAFSA To avoid unnecessary errors, complete college applications and check-in with your College and Career Counselor <i>before</i> submitting your FAFSA. Parent participation required . https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa | December - February |

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| GPS Plan Submitted for Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet with your College and Career Counselor to decide which college you have chosen to attend • Submit a copy of your Financial Aid letter from your college to the file-drop. • Review the financial aid section of college portal for any missing documents. • Complete FA Analysis with your counselor to be reviewed | February – April 11 |
| College Deposit Deadline Meet with you College and Career Counselor and make deposit for a Fall 2025 start. | April 22 - 28 |
| Complete and Submit the Following Documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorization for Release of Healthcare Records • CES Application and CES Release form (eSign, PDF fillable) • Disclosure Consent Form | May |
| State Grant Check the status of your PHEAA or state Grant. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For PA residents - https://www.pheaa.org/grants/state-grant-program/ | May |
| Loan Counseling/Master Promissory Note (MPN) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete Entrance Loan Counseling (Undergraduate Student) https://studentaid.gov/entrance-counseling/ • Complete the Master Promissory Note (Undergraduate Student) https://studentaid.gov/mpn/ | May |
| Complete and Submit College Medical Forms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Forms (from your college) requiring signature by the MHS Health Center. You must complete your portion of the form before turning it in to your counselor for health center signatures. • Provide copy of Health Insurance card (front and back) to counselor | May 17 |
| GPS Plan Approval Deadline GPS Plan is officially approved following graduation, CES accrual confirmation | June 15 |

NOTE: *If the above deadlines are not met, it is very likely that your GPS post-secondary plan will not be approved for the Fall 2025 semester.*

Student Acknowledgement

I have read the aforementioned information regarding deadlines for the 2024–2025-year college application, financial aid and CES process at the Milton Hershey School. I acknowledge that I understand the information outlined and it is my responsibility to meet the established deadlines.

Student Signature: _____

Student Name(printed): _____

Date: _____