



## Secondary School Timeline for the Class of 2008

### **September, October, November 2007**

1. Meet with Mr. Wainio to discuss the schools you may want to apply to, or to share impressions of schools you have visited.
2. Schedule visits and interviews at schools that interest you.
3. Please be sure that Mrs. Richar is informed of the dates and schools you plan to visit in writing or by phone, so that we can be aware of upcoming absences (they will be excused) and also follow your progress.
4. **Fall Secondary School Night** follow up meeting **October 4, 2007**.
5. **Please use the Secondary School Visitation Response Sheets to record your impressions.** As the process continues through the autumn months, it is a convenient way to specifically recall your visits for comparisons.
6. Plan to take the Secondary School Admission Test (SSAT) on Saturday, **December 8, 2007** at TCS. (Booklets will be handed out - **REGISTRATION DEADLINE NOVEMBER 16**)
7. Students applying to **Mercy, Sacred Heart, Xavier, and Fairfield Prep High School** take **entrance exams** at those schools. These entrance exams are given on dates beginning in November. Please call the respective school for exact dates.

Since **parochial schools** have *late November or early December application deadlines*, it is important to let us know in late **October** to which parochial schools you intend to apply.

8. Families considering their **local high school** should also plan to visit the school to talk with the guidance counselor at a convenient time during the fall.

### **December, January**

1. The week of **December 3rd**, well **before the winter break**, students should bring in all recommendation/transcript release forms (envelopes and stamps NOT NEEDED) that are required as part of the application process. Submit these forms with the **transcript request** and any other required forms to **Cindy Richar, not to the individual teachers**.
2. Complete and submit applications well before the schools' deadlines, which for independent day or boarding schools are usually between **January 10 and February 15**.
3. **Take the December 8, 2007 SSAT Exams at TCS.**
4. TCS will send the letters of reference and the official transcript together in one packet to each school for which we have been given forms.
5. Parochial Schools: Mercy, Xavier, Sacred Heart and Fairfield Prep notify applicants of decisions.

### **March, April**

1. Virtually all independent day and boarding schools have a **notification of acceptance date of March 10**.
2. The schools will provide opportunities for revisits before you must make a decision. Be aware that most of the schools are on vacation during the latter two or three weeks of March, so revisiting time may be limited.