



COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

Week	Task Focus	Example Actions	Status
Aug 1–7	Get Organized	Create a college list spreadsheet, register Common App, start personal statement brainstorm	☐
Aug 8–14	College List & Recs	Finalize target schools, ask for recommendation letters	☐
Aug 15–21	Essay Drafting	Draft personal statement, outline supplements	☐
Aug 22–31	Essay Review	Revise personal statement, get feedback from a mentor or consultant	☐
Sept 1–7	Supplements Start	Write 1–2 'Why Us' or UC PIQs	☐
Sept 8–15	App Logistics	Start filling out activities list, finalize testing strategy	☐
Sept 16–30	Final Essay Edits	Edit and polish essays (grammar, flow, voice)	☐
Oct 1–15	ED/EA Finalization	Submit early apps, double-check requirements	☐
Oct 16–31	Backup Essays	Work on RD supplements, scholarship essays	☐
Nov 1–15	UC/State Apps	Submit UC or ApplyTexas apps, confirm transcripts	☐
Nov 16–30	RD Polishing	Review RD essays + forms, upload final documents	☐
Dec–Jan	RD Submissions	Submit all Regular Decision applications	☐