

## FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE YEAR

# LOOK AHEAD!

- **LEARN & EXPLORE** college requirements and options.
- Take courses that satisfy **PRE-COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**.
- **GET INVOLVED** in an extra-curricular activity.
- Attend **COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS** hosted by your school or community with your FAMILY.
- Attend **NKU SOPHOMORE SHOWCASE**.

## JUNIOR YEAR

FALL  
SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER

- Take courses that satisfy **PRE-COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**.
- **GET INVOLVED** in an extra-curricular activity.
- Enroll in **ACT/SAT PRACTICE PROGRAMS**.
- **PREPARE A LIST** of college majors/activities that interest you.

SPRING  
JANUARY - MAY

- **REVIEW YOUR LIST** of college majors and activities. Begin researching schools.
- **ATTEND COLLEGE FAIRS** and meet with admissions counselors.
- **EARN EARLY CREDIT** by enrolling in AP and dual credit courses.
- **REGISTER EARLY** for the ACT/SAT.

SUMMER  
JUNE - AUGUST

- **VISIT NKU CAMPUS** for *Welcome Wednesday*, our Junior visit program.
- Visit several schools the summer **before** senior year.

## SENIOR YEAR

AUGUST

- Choose courses meeting **NKU'S PRE-COLLEGE CURRICULUM** requirements.
- **GET INVOLVED** in community service and extra-curricular activities.
- **REGISTER** for September ACT.

SEPTEMBER

- **NKU APPLICATION OPENS** - September 15.
- **TAKE ACT** or **REGISTER** for October ACT/SAT.
- **PREPARE QUESTIONS** for admissions counselors at college fairs or visiting your high school.

OCTOBER

- **FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) OPENS** - October 1.
- **TAKE ACT/SAT**.
- **BEGIN RESEARCHING** scholarship opportunities.
- **VISIT NKU** during our *Black and Gold Open House*.

NOVEMBER

- **SUBMIT COLLEGE APPLICATIONS** (many deadlines for scholarships are December 1).
- **APPLY TO NKU** at [apply.nku.edu](http://apply.nku.edu) and keep track of deadlines.

DECEMBER

- **COMPLETE ADMISSION APPLICATION**.
- Consider re-taking the ACT/SAT to improve scores and increase your chances of earning merit scholarships.
- **SPEND WINTER BREAK** researching free internet sites for independently funded scholarships, like *fastweb.com*.
- Begin thinking about **HOUSING OPTIONS** at NKU.
- **HOUSING APPLICATION** and **PRIORITY HOUSING SELECTIONS** open December 1.

JANUARY

- **STILL FINALIZING COLLEGE PLANS?** Schedule a return visit to NKU.

FEBRUARY

- **NKU SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE** - February 15. Complete an admission application by February 15 to be eligible for scholarship consideration.
- **REGISTRATION AND ORIENTATION DATES OPEN**. If you have confirmed your NKU acceptance, you will receive an email to sign up for orientation. Dates are available on a first come, first served basis.
- If you have not already done so, **APPLY FOR ADMISSION**. Students applying after February 15 risk not being admitted.

MARCH

- **HOUSING PRIORITY DEADLINE** - March 15. Consider housing options and submit housing application.
- **HONOR'S PROGRAM PRIORITY DEADLINE** - March 15.
- **WATCH YOUR EMAIL** for reminders/invitations to events like *Accepted Student Nights* and *New Student Registration and Orientation*.

APRIL

- **MAKE YOUR FINAL DECISION**. Make last visits to schools in which you have been admitted.
- **CONFIRM YOUR ENROLLMENT**. Reserve your place at NKU by paying your \$75 confirmation fee by May 1.
- **SCHEDULE REGISTRATION & ORIENTATION DATES** for *Northern Exposure* upon confirming intent to enroll.

MAY

- **NKU'S FINAL HOUSING & HONORS DEADLINE** - May 1.
- **PAY REGISTRATION & ORIENTATION FEES** for *Northern Exposure*.

JUNE and JULY

- Have your **FINAL TRANSCRIPTS** sent to NKU.
- Work and save for your **COLLEGE SPENDING ACCOUNT**.
- **ATTEND NORTHERN EXPOSURE REGISTRATION**.
- **START PACKING** for college!

AUGUST

- **ATTEND NORTHERN EXPOSURE ORIENTATION**.

# FUEL YOUR FLAME!

# IT'S HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!