

GWIB CLASS OF 2010

COLLEGE APPLICATION AND IB DIPLOMA PLANNING CALENDAR

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August 27, 2009	Submit final résumé, college list (1-7 schools), list of 3 faculty references, application essay, and one copy of your School Report Form from the 2009-10 Common Application to Mrs. Geimer.
October 1, 2009	CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE, required for aid/scholarship consideration at many private schools, becomes available for online filing. Submit at least 2 weeks before the first deadline.
October 12, 2009	PAY for IB exams. Make your check payable to GWHS, put "IB exams" in the memo line, and bring or mail it to Mrs. Geimer in the IB Office. If mailing, send a self-addressed stamped envelope for your receipt. Last year's fees were \$217-667, depending on the number of exams (1-6) taken in May; see fee schedule on website under "Student Info." Students who have submitted the Free and Reduced Lunch form are eligible for assistance with these fees; bring your confirmation letter to the IB Office.
October 15-27, 2009	REGISTER for IB exams in the IB Office as directed. This second step is essential!
October 19, 2009	Deadline to submit Early Decision and Early Action application details to IB Office: completed half-sheet, addressed envelope, and postage for each EA/ED school; School Supplement form(s) if required, application fee/waiver (if a college wants it submitted with the school report).
October 28-30, 2009	Fall Break is a good time to complete college visits. If you MUST extend your trip to include October 26-27, please make prior arrangements with your teachers so you can stay current.
November 1, 2009	Deadlines begin for submitting YOUR portion of EA/ED and priority applications at many colleges.
November 30, 2009	Deadline to submit Regular and Rolling Decision application details to IB Office: completed half-sheet, addressed envelope, and postage for each RD school; School Supplement form(s) if required, application fee/waiver (if a college wants it submitted with the school report). Complete your "Colleges to which I'm applying" list in Naviance.
January 1, 2010	Deadline for submitting YOUR portion of RD applications to many schools. CHECK YOUR SCHOOLS' REQUIREMENTS CAREFULLY as some set earlier deadlines if you want to qualify for things like alumni interviews and scholarship consideration.
January 1, 2010	Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), required for aid/scholarship consideration at most colleges, becomes available online. Plan to have parents' and student's 2009 federal and state tax returns prepared (not necessarily submitted) as early as possible in January, to facilitate this process.
March 31, 2010	Virtually all college decisions are mailed or posted online by this date. Financial aid packages typically arrive simultaneously, or within a week of the acceptance.
April 2010	Notify the IB Office of your outcomes and of your final decision ASAP.
May 1, 2010	Deadline to respond to colleges that have offered you admission, with a confirmation deposit (typically \$200-500) to your chosen school.
First 3 weeks of May	IB exams. Schedule will be posted on the website under the "Student Info" tab.
Late May 2010	Graduation – date TBA

- Remember that numerous IB assessments are due September through March. A detailed schedule will be distributed early in the fall and will also be posted on the website under "Student Info." PLAN AHEAD!