



# Timeline of the Independent School Admissions Process

## APRIL - JUNE



- ☐ Create a list of things you're looking for in your next school
- ☐ Research a wide range of schools
- ☐ Create a school list of interest
- ☐ Request materials from schools on your list
- ☐ Take a full-length ISEE and/or SSAT practice test

## JULY - AUGUST

- ☐ Think about finances
- ☐ Schedule open houses, tours, and shadow days
- ☐ Get a photo of your student and your family for applications
- ☐ Practice for the ISEE and/or SSAT



## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER



- ☐ Determine which schools you'd like to apply to
- ☐ Schedule interviews
- ☐ Do interview practice
- ☐ Attend admissions events
- ☐ Keep a journal to reflect on experiences at each school
- ☐ Save graded writing assignments
- ☐ Register for two ISEE and/or SSAT test dates
- ☐ Take the ISEE and/or SSAT



## JANUARY - FEBRUARY

- ☐ Send ISEE or SSAT test scores
- ☐ Submit applications
- ☐ Consider writing a first-choice letter
- ☐ Complete tax return in January for financial aid application (if applicable)
- ☐ Submit financial aid application (if applicable)



## MAY - SEPTEMBER

- ☐ Finish your current grade in good standing
- ☐ Forwarding your final transcripts
- ☐ Complete forms, placement tests, and course selections

## NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

- ☐ Attend interviews
- ☐ Request teacher recommendations
- ☐ Send application forms to current school
- ☐ Complete applications
- ☐ Complete financial aid application (if applicable)
- ☐ Take the ISEE and/or SSAT



## MARCH - APRIL

- ☐ Revisit schools
- ☐ If you're accepted to your first-choice school, send a deposit to hold your place and complete the online enrollment forms
- ☐ If waitlisted at your first-choice school, contact the school and let them know of your interest
- ☐ As soon as you've made a decision, notify the other schools you were accepted to

