**Recommended Student Timeline**

The following checklist and timeframes are provided to assist in guiding high school students interested in participating in the Jump Start program during their senior year. Students should check with the appropriate high school counselor to identify the applicable processes and timelines at their high school to ensure all processes are complete to the requirements of that high school in a timely manner.

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| **9th grade year** | • Obtain information about Jump Start:  
  - Visit the [Jump Start website](http://www.jumpstartprogram.com) for additional information and answers to frequently asked questions  
  - Email: [jstart@hawaii.edu](mailto:jstart@hawaii.edu) for additional information  
  • Career exploration:  
  - Visit [Hawai'i's Career and Technical Education (CTE)](http://www.hawaiicte.com) or the [Association for Career and Technical Education](http://www.acte.org) sites for information on career and technical education.  
  - Complete a career interest inventory or assessment to assist in selecting an appropriate career and technical education program. A FREE interest inventory may be found on the [UHCC Career Connections](http://www.uhcc.hawaii.edu) website or the [RIASEC Interest Assessment](http://www.riasec.org) website. |
| **10th grade year** | **April - May** | • Preparation:  
  - Ensure that you are on track with your high school credits and requirements  
  - See a high school counselor to determine when the next Jump Start Orientation/Information session will be held.  
  - Complete and submit the [Jump Start Commitment form](http://www.jumpstartprogram.com) and turn it in to your counselor |
| **11th grade year** | **No sooner than: October/By the end of the 1st quarter** | **Apply to the Jump Start Program**  
  1. **REMEMBER:** If you haven’t done so, complete and submit the [Jump Start Commitment form](http://www.jumpstartprogram.com) and turn it in to your counselor  
  2. COMPASS testing  
  • With assistance from your high school counselor, schedule to take the COMPASS placement test (If you have taken the ACT or SAT, check with your counselor regarding the possible substitution of ACT and SAT scores)  
  3. At the advice of your counselor, complete the Jump Start Application and include the following documents  
  • Results from a FREE interest inventory ([UHCC Career Connections](http://www.uhcc.hawaii.edu) website or the [RIASEC Interest Assessment](http://www.riasec.org) website)  
  • Documentation of health clearances (TB and MMR) required by the community colleges  
  • Completed [University of Hawai‘i System application](http://www.hawaii.edu)  
  • [Teacher Recommendation Form](http://www.jumpstartprogram.com)  
  Note: Counselors will conduct a final review of the student's records to ensure:  
  - All high school credit requirements are met  
  - COMPASS placement requirements are met  
  - All documents and forms have been adequately signed and submitted  
  Counselors may also require an additional mandatory meeting after all forms are completed and submitted |
| | **March – May** | • High School Principals will send out Jump Start acceptance letters and will include information about the Preparing for College Success program sessions.  
  • With the assistance of a community college counselor, the student begins the college course registration process. |
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| **Summer before the 12th grade year**        | As a follow up, an enrollment packet will be sent to the student's MYUH email and will include:  
  - The Jump Start Agreement (to be signed by the student and his/her parent/legal guardian)  
  - Jump Start Student Success Report Form  
  - A schedule for the “Preparing for College Success” session  
  - A map of the applicable community college  
  The email will come from [jstart@hawaii.edu](mailto:jstart@hawaii.edu)                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| **June-August**                               | Pay any additional fees for the college courses you will be taking by the college deadline to ensure that your schedule is not purged.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| **Specific dates and times will be indicated on the letter from the principal and email from Jump Start** | Prior to the first day of class, purchase your textbooks and supplies.  
  *Note: This may be done with the assistance of your Preparing for College Success program instructor; Please confirm with your instructor if he/she will include this in the program.*  
  *Keep your receipts and do not write in the books until you have attended the first class. If you change classes you may return any unmarked books to the bookstore with your receipt for a full refund.*  
  Attend the **required** Preparing for College Success program sessions at the applicable community college with other Jump Start students (session is generally held 2 weeks prior to the start of classes at the college). Classes are held from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. daily for two weeks. Attendance is mandatory for all sessions. |

*Feel proud that you are getting a “jump start” on your college education while completing your high school diploma and graduating with your class!*