**October Highlights**

**PSAT Registration**

The PSAT will be held on Saturday, October 14th at DVHS. Registration is now closed. Students who pay using the web store can bring their receipt to the College and Career Center or Mrs. Thomas to receive an official PSAT Study Guide. Room assignments will be posted outside the College & Career Center the morning of the test.

Please arrive by **7:45 am**. The test should end at approximately 12:00 pm.

**What to Bring:**

- Two sharpened #2 pencils
- A photo ID (such as a school ID card or driver's license)
- Your DVHS student ID number
- An approved calculator (4 function, scientific, or graphing calculator may be used. No cell phone calculators, pocket organizers, or laptops can be used.)
- Water and a snack for the break

More information about the test is posted on the College & Career Center website under “College Exams.”

**SRVUSD College Night**

**SRVUSD College Night** is being held on **Wednesday, Oct. 25** from 6:30-8:30pm at Monte Vista High School. Over 150 colleges will be attending. This is a great opportunity to explore colleges and connect with admissions officers.

*Often, the admissions officer at these events are the same people who are reviewing applications and making admissions decisions!*

Two workshops will be presented from 7:00-8:00pm:

- The Collegiate Athlete
- Exploring Community College Options: Learn about Associate Degrees, Certificates, Transfer Options and More...

This event is open to all families in the district. No registration is required.

**Senior Parent Financial Aid Night**

**Thursday, October 5th - 7pm in the DVHS Theatre**

Cora Manuel, Co-Director of Admissions, Enrollment, and Financial Aid Pacific School of Religion (and former Assistant Director of Financial Aid at Saint Mary's College of CA) will be presenting for parents to learn about the financial aid process. Learn more about FAFSA, the Middle Class scholarship, and the CSS Profile. Find out other ways to help finance an education and ask questions about funding your child’s education.
Regional College Information Events

There are a number of college informational sessions in the area. Please click here for an updated list. This is not an all-inclusive list, so always check your prospective colleges' admission websites for dates when a representative will be in the area.

Seton Hall University’s Pirates Pitch Competition

This competition offers high school students the opportunity to share innovative business ideas and win amazing prizes. To enter, applicants will submit an original business plan that, in 350 words or less, describes an innovative product or service that you would like to create or have already created. To enter, visit www.shu.edu/go/HSPitch

Criteria:
- High school sophomore, junior or senior with a GPA 3.0 or higher
- Apply by Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at midnight
- 1st Place Winner: $2500 cash prize plus $10,000 scholarship to attend Seton Hall University if student applies to University
- 2nd Place Winner: $1,000 cash prize, plus $6,000 scholarship to attend Seton Hall University if student applies to University
- All other finalists will receive $4000 scholarship to attend Seton Hall University

Asian Pacific Youth Leadership Project (APYLP)

FREE Leadership Conference for Juniors & Seniors

This conference provides a group of 50 Asian and Pacific Islander students with a unique opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the legislative process, community leadership, and political activism. Students participate in a Mock Legislature at the State Capitol and engage in small group workshops by Asian Pacific legislative staff, community activists, and business leaders.

Conference Dates: March 22-25, 2018
Location: Sacramento, CA
Application Deadline: October 25, 2017
Download application: www.apylp.org
For more information, contact applications@apylp.net
Monthly Parent College Information Session:
A conversation about selective universities

Guest speaker, Troy Carlson, from the Admissions Office at the University of Chicago, will give insight into the admission factors considered at a selective university, such as testing, academic coursework, extracurricular activities, personal statements, and more. Although information may be specific to the University of Chicago, it will be broad enough to be apply to selective universities as a whole. Students and parents from all high school grade levels are welcome to attend!

Wednesday, October 18  7:30-8:30 am
DVHS Library

To RSVP for the October Information session, go to https://goo.gl/forms/K214pGCH2nICAB0i1

Scholarship Opportunities
View Scholarship List for details on Naviance→ “Colleges” tab

1.) Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award- October 25
The DAR Good Citizen Award encourages and awards for qualities of good citizenship. Male and female senior applicants will explain why they are considered a good citizen and how they have demonstrated dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. Students do not need to be a U.S. citizen to apply.
Scholarship Amount: $500

2.) Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship- November 3
The Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program is a program for high school seniors who have demonstrated leadership skills, academic achievement and a commitment to community service.
Scholarship Amount: $1,000

DVHS can only nominate one student for above scholarship. Interested students should complete the self-nomination forms for each scholarship (available on School Loop) and deliver it to the College and Career Center by the deadline. A committee will then decide on the DVHS nominee, who will complete the remainder of the scholarship application.

3.) Prudential Spirit of Community Award- November 7
The Prudential Spirit of Community Award provides students (grades 9-12) an opportunity to celebrate youth volunteer service, and be recognized for making a meaningful difference in their communities through volunteerism. Completed applications must be submitted by November 7.
Scholarship Amount: $1,000
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Helpful Articles & Resources

Beyond the States: https://beyondthestates.com/blog/
https://beyondthestates.com/college-europe-escape/
https://beyondthestates.com/european-college-admissions/

Financial Aid: 10 Things to Know about Financial Aid

Dr. Cynthia Colón: Tips, Tales, and Truths
Financial Planning for College (video)

Ms. Cranmer’s College Corner
University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

35,000 undergraduates/9,700 graduates

Distinguishing Factors:
- Founded in 1885 as a public research university
- 100% Engagement initiative designed to ensure students have real world experience in the form of research, internships, study abroad, volunteering or work experience during their time at UA
- SALT (Strategic Alternative Learning Techniques) Center nationally acclaimed program offering individualized services for students with learning differences
- Strong research partnership with NASA, allowing UA’s space and science research to grow

Strong Programs:
- #3 Management Information Systems nationwide (#1 among public universities)
- #10 Entrepreneurship nationwide; ranked #2 (among public universities)
- #11 Eller School of Management nationwide (#2 regional)
- College of Fine Arts (art, music, theatre, dance, and media arts)
- University of Arizona Honors College

Best for a student who are:
- In an environment where people want them to succeed
- Have school spirit (UA is part of the Pac-12 sports conference)
- Involved in community
- Engaging
- Motivated
- Enjoy 300 days of sun

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