March Highlights

On-Campus College Visits
Please check Naviance under “Upcoming College Visits” for a list of all DVHS student workshops, college visits, and outside events.

Maryville University - Friday, March 10, Period 2 (9:30 am)
Penn State University - Monday, March 13, Period 1 (8:30 am)
Northern Arizona University - Monday, March 20, Period 5 (1:13 pm)
University of Illinois, Chicago - Monday, March 27, Period 3 (10:45 am)

Juniors: College Series Workshops
The College & Career Center will be holding a series of college-related workshops covering various topics related to college admissions.

Students may choose between 2 dates per session, each held during ACCESS. For more information and to sign up, visit "Upcoming college visits" in Naviance.

Click here for a full schedule.

Session 1: Introducing College Admissions
Session 2: Making the Most of College Visits (Available to students in Grades 9-12)
Session 3: College Application Strategies
Session 4: How to Choose the Best Fit Colleges (2-Part Workshop)
Session 5: How to Survive & Have a Successful Senior Year

Junior Students and Parents
College Admission Case Studies
Thursday, March 16, 2017  6:30-8:30 pm

Juniors and their parents are invited to participate in a mock admission evening known as a Case Study. This event is an engaging and effective way to discuss the college application process. College representatives will lead attendees through a mock admission committee using three student cases. The exercise will point out the intricacies of the process and the importance of assembling a strong application. The Case Study program will conclude with a mini college fair.

Click here to RSVP

Participating colleges: Colby-Sawyer College, Colorado Mesa University, Drexel University, Johnson & Wales University, Maryville University, Oregon State University, Purdue University, Sacred Heart University, Seton Hall University, Texas Christian University, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs (UCCS), University of Massachusetts, Lowell, Washington College, MD
Northern California Pre-Pharmacy Symposium

Saturday, April 8, 2017  8:30 AM-4:30 PM

If you are a student interested in pre-health or pharmacy, you are welcome to attend the 11th Annual Northern California Pre-Pharmacy Symposium (NCPPS) held on the UC Berkeley campus. This opportunity includes networking with leading pharmacy professionals, exploring some of the nation’s top pharmacy schools, and learning about the diverse career paths in pharmacy. This daylong symposium will feature workshops, presentations, and panels to help answer any of your questions regarding a career in pharmacy. Registration is now open until Friday, March 26, 2017. Register here to secure your spot!

Summer Programs

Summer is an ideal time to pick up a new interest, explore a possible major, volunteer in your community, take a class, or get a job. There are a variety of options available to students. Remember to do your research when looking into a summer activity: How much does it cost? What will I get out of it? What do students who did this last summer think about the program/activity? To access information about summer, visit the “Summer Programs” section on the College and Career Center website.

Extra resource: Collegewise Summer Planning Guide

College Decision Release Dates

As we draw closer to the middle of the spring semester, colleges across the country are working hard to get through hundreds of thousands of college applications to the class of 2021 in order to deliver regular admission decisions by the end of March. Regular Admission Decision Dates for the Class of 2021

Articles of the Month

31 College Prep Resources for High School Juniors

Social Media Trends in College Admissions: What to Know for 2017

College Tour: Why Parents Should Be Seen and Not Heard

Are Double Majors Worth It?

Helpful Websites

Below is a link to a document that contains a list of websites that the DVHS College & Career Center finds most useful. To view this document, click here.

Or visit the DVHS College & Career Center website → “Online Resources”
March Parent College Information Session
Parents of DVHS students are invited to attend an information session to help guide you and your students through the high school and college planning process. In this month's session we will hear from Admissions Officer, Ed Devine from Lafayette College, as we learn about the value of liberal arts colleges.

What is a liberal arts college? How are they different from large universities? What are the benefits of attending a liberal arts college? For more information about Liberal Arts Colleges, please read “A Love Letter to My Little Liberal Arts School.”

Monday, March 20
4-5 PM
DVHS Library
Click Here to RSVP by Friday, March 17.

Cameron Impact Scholarship for Juniors
The Bryan Cameron Education Foundation seeks to invest in exceptional individuals who will make a notable impact in their varied professional and personal relationships throughout their entire lives. By providing students the resources to learn, grow and develop, this foundation hopes to promote their outstanding achievement and potential. This four-year merit-based scholarship is intended to cover the full 'educational expenses' at the recipient's chosen collegiate institution (estimated to be between $20,000-$50,000 per annum). Recipients have complete freedom in the choice of their school and area of study, however, a stated goal of public service will be strongly considered.

Early Application Deadline: May 26, 2017

Ms. Cranmer’s College Corner:
Concordia University, Irvine, CA
1600 undergraduates/2700 graduates

Strong Programs:
- Exercise & Sport Science
- Nursing
- Liberal Studies (Teacher Education)
- Healthcare Management
- Humanities and Fine Arts

Distinguishing Factors:
- “Enduring Questions & Ideas” signature curriculum: Core courses committed to asking “big questions” in class (i.e., “What does it mean to be human?” “How shall we be governed?” “What should we believe?”)
- Around-the-World Semester: 5 courses, 10 countries, 1 professor, 20 students, 1 grad assistant, volunteer service projects, & earn minor in global Cultural Studies

Scholarships:
To view the full list of available scholarships, go to:
Naviance → “Colleges” tab → Scholarship List

Women in Mining, CA Chapter
March 3, 2017
Blackhawk Women’s Scholarship
March 18, 2017
Assistance League of Diablo Valley
March 22, 2017
Stanford/ValleyCare Health System
Auxiliary Scholarship
March 24, 2017
American Association of University
Women Scholarship
March 31, 2017
PG&E STEM Scholarship
March 31, 2017
DVHS PTSA Spirit of Leadership
Senior Scholarship
April 14, 2017

Here are some other useful scholarship websites:
www.fastweb.com/
www.finaid.org/
www.zinch.com/