April Highlights

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SENIORS!
As you are hearing back from colleges, make sure to update the admission status in Naviance. This greatly assists us with advising future DVHS students.

JUNIORS!
Have you met with the College & Career Counselor?
Sign up for an one-on-one Junior appointment to start the discussion on your post-high school options.
*To make the most of your appointment, please complete “Game Plan” in the About Me tab on Naviance.

Upcoming DVHS Events for Students
Please check Naviance under “View all upcoming college visits” for a list of all DVHS student workshops, college visits, and outside events.

College Visits:
- Academy of Art University - Monday, April 10th @ 2nd Period
- University of Idaho - Wednesday, April 12th @ 2nd Period
- University of Massachusetts, Lowell - Wednesday, April 26th @ 3rd Period
- Simpson University - Wednesday, April 19th @ 1st Period
- Savannah College of Art & Design - Monday, April 24th @ 2nd Period

Military Presentations:
- WestPoint, U.S. Military Academy - Wednesday, April 19th @ 2nd Period
- U.S. Marines NROTC, Reserves, Careers, and Scholarships - Wednesday, April 19th @ Access
- U.S. Navy NROTC, Reserves, Careers, and Scholarships - Thursday, April 20th @ Lunch

Junior Access Period College Workshops
- Session #3 - Application Strategies
  o April 19 & April 20 (Choose one to attend)
- Session #4 - How to Find the Best Fit Colleges
  o May 17 & 18 (Please attend both sessions)
- Session #5 - Tips to Survive Senior Year - Question/Answer Panel
  o May 25, After School

Visiting Colleges over Spring Break?
Drop by the College & Career for a list of questions to ask students, admissions officers, professors, etc.

Can’t visit over Spring Break? Take a virtual tour instead:
- www.campustours.com
- www.youvisit.com/education
- www.ecampustours.com
- Visit a college’s Office of Admissions website

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”
26th Annual East Bay College Fair

Saint Mary’s College of California  Saturday, May 6  1:00-4:00 pm

More than 150 colleges, universities, career technical schools, and military academies will be represented. Workshops will also be available for parents on topics such as financial aid, the scholar athlete, college options in California, SAT vs. ACT, college selection for students with learning disabilities, and much more.

More information is available online at https://www.wacac.org/college-fairs/wacac-fairs/

Other Regional College Information Events

Cal Day Open House
Saturday, April 22  http://calday.berkeley.edu/

UC Davis Picnic Day
Saturday, April 22  https://picnicday.ucdavis.edu/

San Francisco National College Fair
Saturday, April 29  1:30-4:30 pm

Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.

Open to sophomores & juniors  ●  All ethnic background are welcome to apply

Program participants attend powerful workshops and seminars that will enhance leadership skills, academic preparedness, self-esteem, cultural awareness, and provide an understanding of state and local government.  www.clylp.org

Deadline to apply for either program: April 19, 2017

FREE of all cost to all participants.

- Sacramento Leadership Conference, July 22-29, 2017
- Bay Area Institute, June 23-25, 2017

UC Davis High School Pre-Health Symposium

April 9, 2017  8am-4pm

The 1st annual UC Davis High School Pre-Health Symposium will be held on Sunday, April 9, 2017, at the University of California, Davis. The symposium will host 500 attendees. This is a unique opportunity for high school students to explore and to learn about the many health professions out there and about what they can do now as a high school student. Attendees will be able to meet and speak with various health professionals, health professions advisors, undergraduate pre-health students, and other high school students.

For more information and to register, visit http://prehealthconference.ucdavis.edu/highschoolsymposium/
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**Summer Programs**

As your students are deciding how to spend their summer, please keep in mind that there is no program or "better" way or action to take that is valued more than another in summer programs, or work, or sports, or music, or theatre, or community service that defines a student to the college. No matter the activity, it is what the student learns from it and how he or she expresses that learning in writing on his or her application. Below are examples of 1-week experiences for students if they would like to enrich their understanding about a particular field of interest.

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**DVC Summer Camps**

**Health – Engineering - Hospitality & Culinary Arts - Business**

The camps offer summer enrichment opportunities for high school students and teachers to explore theory and practice in a week-long activity that blends hands-on exploration, problem-solving, industry field visits, and expert industry viewpoints. High school students will earn 1 unit of college credit for five days of participation. Each camp is designed for high school students who will be entering their junior or senior year Fall 2017.

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**GJEL Introduction to Careers in Law**

This local program is designed for high school students interested in learning more about the legal industry and provide information about what a career in law entails. This FREE program will take place during the week of July 10th.  

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**College Entrance Exam Updates**

**SAT Subject Test Requirements and Recommendations**

Each year the requirements and recommendations for SAT subject tests grows more diverse. The general trend is more flexible requirements. View the updated list of colleges requiring, considering, or recommending SAT Subject Tests.  

**ACT & SAT Optional Essay Requirements**

Fewer than 1/3 of competitive colleges will require a standardized test essay for the Fall 2017 admission class. For specific college requirements please check out this link for a searchable database:  

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**Senior Scholarships:**

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

**DVHS PTSA Spirit of Leadership Senior Scholarship**  
April 14, 2017

**Diablo Black Men's Group Scholarship**  
April 15, 2017

**Dublin/San Ramon Women’s Club Scholarship**  
April 21, 2017

**DVHS Senior Athlete Scholarship**  
April 24, 2017

**Beach Blanket Babylon Scholarship for the Arts**  
April 28, 2017

**Joshua Michael Liu Memorial Scholarship**  
May 8, 2017

Here are some other useful scholarship websites:  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)  
[www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)
May Parent College Information Session

We are taking a month break from the parent information sessions, but will return for our final session of the 2016-2017 school year on Monday, May 22. In this session, we will review post high school options, types of schools, current admissions trends, acceptance rate updates, and tips to support your students in the college planning process. Parents from all high school grade levels are welcome to attend! Please stay tuned in the May College & Career Newsletter for a link to sign up.

Monday, May 22
DVHS Library

Articles of the Month

ACT Adds Summer Test Date
Is it possible to request more financial aid?
In College Search, Look Beyond the Admission Office Glitz
Latest Medical-School Trend: Wilderness Training

College Corner

Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, NJ

2,873 undergraduates/3,623 graduates

Stevens Institute of Technology is a premier, private research university situated in Hoboken, NJ overlooking the Manhattan skyline. The leverage technology to confront global challenges in cybersecurity, healthcare, energy, finance, defense, sustainability, and other critical areas and offer superior return on education investment (ROI).

Highlights:

- 95% first-year retention rate
- 96% outcomes secured within six months of graduation
- 70% of the Class of 2016 participated in cooperative education or internship programs, with additional students participating in faculty mentored research
- 6th Highest Mid-Career Salaries in the U.S., Forbes 2016
- Ranked 1st in Best Degree Programs’ list of “30 Great Small Colleges for STEM Degrees”, 2015
- Cross-disciplinary learning with an entrepreneurial approach
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship Research Program
- Offers combined B.S.-to-M.S./M.D./J.D. programs

Best for a student who is:

- Driven by innovation, entrepreneurialism, and hands-on projects
- Engaged in community service and volunteerism
- Comfortable thriving in a bustling metropolis