Welcome Back!

Welcome to another school year. I hope that everyone had a great summer break. For those of you who are new to Dougherty, I am the College and Career Adviser and assist students with the college exploration and application process.

If you participated in any exciting internships or summer programs, I’d love to hear about them. There are so many opportunities out there that it’s hard for me to know about all of them and which ones to recommend/not recommend to other students.

Seniors, if you have any questions about your college applications, want assistance with college essays, and/or need help finalizing your college list, please sign up for an appointment in the College & Career Center. This process can be overwhelming, but it doesn’t have to be. Seniors have already been writing college essay drafts in their English classes. Additionally, the Counselors will also be presenting in all 12th grade English classes the week of September 11th to discuss college applications and letters of recommendation. I know it’s hard to wait until then, but it’s important that you spend the first couple weeks of the year focusing on your classes and readjusting to life at school.

Juniors & Seniors, over 100 college visits have already been scheduled and more are being added daily. Check Naviance for a complete listing of college visits and to reserve your seat. Remember that you must get a pass signed by your teacher in order to attend; otherwise you will be marked absent.

Sophomores & Juniors, the PSAT will be held on Saturday, Oct. 14 at DVHS. Registration will open on September 5. Juniors will have the first chance at registering. After a week, sophomores who wish to take the test will have the opportunity to register. Click here for more details.

Like last year, I will be posting monthly newsletters on Schoolloop so that you are all informed about college and career-related matters. Please also check School Loop on a regular basis as I use it to post opportunities for students.

Kindly,

Kristin Cranmer
Seniors: College Mondays @ Lunch

Every Monday at Lunch, the College & Career Center hosts college workshops. Although various topics are covered, this is meant to be a time where students can work on applications, ask individual questions, get quick tips, and stay organized. No need to sign up. Just drop by Room 1204.

[Click here for schedule.]

Regional College Information Events

Carnegie Mellon University
Tuesday, September 5 & Wednesday, September 6 at 7:30 pm
San Jose Marriott

8 of the Best Colleges
Claremont McKenna, Colorado College, Connecticut College, Grinnell, Haverford, Kenyon, Macalester, Sarah Lawrence College
Saturday, September 9 at 12:30 pm
Santa Clara Marriott

Discover Duke
Sunday, September 17 at 2:00 pm
Lafayette Library & Learning Center: Community Hall

Johns Hopkins University
Sunday, September 24 at 2:00 pm
Hilton Sacramento Arden West: Eagle-Berryessa

Tufts University: Who Gets In and Why
Sunday, September 24 at 2:00 pm
San Francisco Marriott Union Square

Scholarships

The Good Tidings Foundation Community Service Scholarship
Deadline: 10/26/2017  [Click the link for application.]

San Ramon Unity in Diversity Scholarship
Open to Juniors & Seniors
Deadline: 10/8/2017  [Click here for application information.]

Wendy’s Heisman Scholarship for Senior Scholar Athletes
Deadline: 10/2/2017

Horatio Alger Association Scholarship
Deadline: 10/25/2017

Mark Your Calendars!!!

Senior Parent Financial Aid Night
Thursday, October 5
DVHS Performing Arts Center

SRVUSD College Night is being held on Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 6:30-8:30pm at Monte Vista High School. Over 100 colleges have already RSVP’d that they will be attending. We are hoping for 150. This is a great opportunity to explore colleges and connect with admissions officers. *Often times, the admissions officer at these events is the same person reviewing applications and making admissions decisions!
September Highlights

September Parent College Information Session

In an effort to educate our families about the post-high school planning and options that are available to students, I will continue holding monthly college information sessions. In order for more families to attend, sessions will be held once a month on Wednesday mornings. DVHS students and parents are welcome!

The September session is targeted for parents of Seniors; however all DVHS parents and students are welcome. Topics include: types of applications, deadlines, and the application process. There will also be time for questions.

Wednesday, September 13 at 7:30-8:30 am
DVHS Library

To RSVP for the September College Information Session, go to https://goo.gl/forms/On6QD9l2gdMa23bR2

Articles of Interest

12th Grade Students & Parents:
College Application Timeline: 12th Grade
The Facts about Applying Early: Is it Right for You?
Ways To Reduce Stress in the College Process
‘Curate’ Your College List for Best Results

All Grades:
Will the Rebirth of Vocational Education Bring Back ‘Good Jobs’?
Factors in the Admissions Decision by NACACnet
Consider 10 Basic Questions When Applying to College as a Student-Athlete

Ms. Cranmer’s College Corner
Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY

5,576 undergraduates/950 graduates

Distinguishing Factors:
Marist is a comprehensive college with liberal arts tradition located “on the Hudson River” that is gaining a national reputation. Marist students are hard-working go-getters, friendly, love the outdoors, are actively involved in campus life and love to give back. Students enjoy the small class sizes, Catholic underpinning, and proximity to NYC, which provided abundant internship and job opportunities.

Top Programs:
Florence campus with 2 majors (Art Restoration & Conservation; Interior Design); strong Learning Support Program; new Data Science Major; Business Management; Marketing; Law Enforcement

Job Board/Volunteer:
Please visit DVHS College & Career Center website for details on each post.
www.dvhigh.net/volunteering &jobopportunities

JOB BOARD:
Jimmy Johns Delivery Drivers
Splash Swim School Instructors
Yanagi Sushi & Grill

VOLUNTEERING:
Assistance League Assisteens
City of San Ramon
Camp Counseling with Quail
Run Elementary School
Outdoor Education
San Ramon Police Explorer Program
Sandra J. Wing Healing Therapies Foundation - Branding & Creative Graphics Team
Young Life Capernaum