Welcome
to
SRVHS College
Information
Evening

School Code CEEB : 050725

SRVHS Counseling Staff

A - Eq   Jenifer Levy-Wendt

Er – Lau   Nancy Conti

Lav – Rg   Melissa Bergstedt

Rh - Z   Vivian Srouji

Secretary   Mary Carlson

Counselor Tech   Linda Clay

Career Center   Carolyn Mackel & Candy Jewett

Registrar   Barbara Murray

SRVHS Roles

- Student
  - Research possible colleges/universities (Coin3 Career Survey)
- Parent
  - Support their student in the process!
- Teacher
  - May write a letter of recommendation
- Counselor
  - Provide support and assistance during the college application process
  - May write a letter of recommendation
- Career Center
  - Serve as a resource for college information
  - Provide assistance with college searches

Surviving the Application Process

- Get organized and work together with your student... *but remember that your student needs to do the work* (fill out her/his own applications, speak with counselors, etc.).

- Put important dates on the calendar:
  – Application deadlines
  – Financial aid deadlines
  – Housing deadlines

- Help your student make a realistic list of possible choices for college.

The Right Fit for Your Student

- **Be Realistic:** What might be a good fit for one student, may not be for another student.
  - What college is best for your student?
    - Is it a liberal arts college or a research university?
  - Is it a big school or a small school?
- **Remember:** It depends on YOUR STUDENT'S personality, ability, and academic interests.

Apply Broadly, Choose Wisely

In addition, you may want to consider the following:

- Academic Program
- Quality of Programs. Remember… choose a school that fits your interests.
- Selectivity
- Location, Location, Location
- School Size
- Living Conditions
- Graduation Rates
- Tuition

Types of Schools

- <u>Safety</u>
  - A school for which you are very qualified
  - You are confident that you will be accepted, and you are willing to attend if admitted

- <u>Target</u>
  - A school for which you meet qualifications
  - You are fairly certain that you will be accepted and you are willing to attend if admitted

- <u>Reach</u>
  - A school for which you may be qualified
  - You would like to be accepted, and you would love to attend if admitted

College Application Essentials

Topics covered in this workshop include:

- **Community College**

- **How To Apply: CC, CSU, UC**

- **Eligibility: Courses, Examination, GPA Requirements**

- **Transcripts**

- **ELC   UC**

- **Application cycle**

- **Applying to Private Institutions**

- **binding**   **• Early decision – binding   • Early action – non**

- **Questions and Answers**

CA Community Colleges

- All students with a high school diploma or a GED, or who are over 18 years old, are eligible
- 112 campuses
- 11 with housing
- Certificates, AA/AS degrees, transfer programs to 4-year universities (transfer after 60 credits as a junior/3rd year student)
- Each year, students who transferred from a Community College earn one-third of degrees awarded by UC system

CA Community Colleges

- Transfer Admission Programs
  - TAG – Transfer Admission Guarantees
    - 7 Campuses offer TAG –UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC Merced, UC Riverside, UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz

    - Other programs provide extensive academic and admission support but do not guarantee admission
  - UCB Community College Transfer Center Program, UCD Transfer Opportunity Program (TOP), UCI Community College Honors Transfer Program, UCLA Transfer Alliance Program, UCSC Transfer Partnerships Programs
  - www.cccco.edu

CA Community Colleges

- Transfer Facts:
  - In Fall 2010, more than 90% of admitted transfer students to a UC school are CA Community College students
  - In Fall 2009
    - 208 DVC students transferred to UC Berkeley
    - 634 DVC students transferred to a UC
    - 1,252 DVC students transferred to a CSU in Fall 2008

- For More Information, Visit:
  - www.assist.org
  - www.uctransfer.universityofcalifornia.edu
    - Details the common and unique requirements in the top 20 majors for each UC Campus
    - Provides requirements for transfer
    - Information on how to make students selective for their preferred major

Career and Technical Programs

- DVC, as well as other community colleges, offers Career and Technical Programs.

- Examples of courses offered:
  - Culinary Arts
  - Dental Assisting/ Dental Hygiene
  - Sports Medicine/ Athletic Training
  - Architecture Technology
  - Real Estate
  - Engineering Technology

- For more information:
  - www.dvc.edu/CT
  - visit the DVHS Career Center

How to Apply CSU/UC
(Refer to College Application Checklist)

- UC/CSU on line application

  UC www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

  > October 1 – Website Opened, Nov 1-30 Submit
  >
  > Cost - $60.00 per campus

  CSU www.csumentor.edu   Oct 1- Nov 30

  > Cost - $55.00 per campus
  >
  > Cal Poly early decision filing period Oct 1 – 31 must declare a major
  >
  > Need: Transcript for reference to complete self-report
  >   CP Weighted; it is an estimate
  >   See Application Sheet

- Make a copy of on-line application for records

CSU/UC
Subject A – G
Entrance Requirements

University of California	California State University
a. History/Social Science (2 years required)	**a. History/Social Science** (2 years required)
b. English (4 years required)	**b. English** (4 years required)
c. Mathematics (3 years required; 4 recommended)	**c. Mathematics** (3 years required)
d. Laboratory Science (2 years required)	**d. Laboratory Science** (2 years required)
e. Language other than English (2 years required; 3 recommended)	**e. Language other than English** (2 years required)
f. Visual and Performing Arts (1 year required)	**f. Visual and Performing Arts** (1 year required)
g. Electives (1 year required)	**g. Electives** (1 year required)

CSU Admissions Information

- 23 Campuses in the CSU system

- **_Apply early!_** (Do NOT wait until Thanksgiving break to submit applications; many schools are on vacation and have mandated furlough days and will not be available to answer questions.)
  - CSU Mentor Application Website open:

    October 1st – November 30th

- Have a "Plan B, C, D..." etc.

- Apply broadly

- www.csumentor.edu
  - Research individual schools

CSU Admissions "Rules"

- A-G requirements are a *must*, not a *suggestion – must have grade of C or better in all A-G subject requirements*
- Plan, Plan, Plan
  - Take the SAT's/ACT's – critical reading & math – highest score. Send scores:
  - College Board SAT 3594 or ACT
  - Apply broadly
- Timing is Everything!
  - Do NOT wait until the November 30th deadline to submit your application
- Check individual campus websites for important information and deadlines. Cal Poly early decision October 31st must select major at Cal Poly.

CSU Eligibility Index

- A student meets the scholarship requirement if he or she achieves the GPA of 2.0 (minimum) and test score indicated in the eligibility index.

- You will be required to meet higher admission requirements for impacted campuses and programs.

- Eligibility Index: See handout

CSU Eligibility Index

- Eligibility does not mean admission –
  must be competitive
- Check specific campuses for impacted majors
  and programs

CSU Entry Level Math (ELM) English Placement Test (EPT)

- Applies to accepted students with intent to register

- Exception through STAR test or SAT score of 550 or better in math and 500 in critical reading

- Math exception may also be achieved in successful completion of senior level math class beyond Algebra 2

- Non-Exempt students will be required to take placement test in Spring on a CSU campus – do by April

CSU Impacted Campuses

- Chico
- Fresno
- Fullerton
- Long Beach
- Pomona

- San Diego
- San Francisco
- San José
- San Luis Obispo
- Sonoma

Due to CA State budget cuts in education, and an increased number of applications in all college systems (community colleges, CSU, & UC), 14 out of 23 CSU campuses are impacted for the 2010-2011 school year. This means that it will be more competitive to gain entrance into these universities. Apply broadly and to the service area!

UC Admissions Information

- ***Apply early!*** (Do NOT wait until Thanksgiving break to submit applications; many schools are on vacation and will not be available to answer questions.)
  - University of California Application Website open:

    October 1st – October 31st (viewing only)

    November 1st – November 30th (submissions accepted)

- Have a "Plan B, C, D…." etc.
- Apply broadly
- www.universityofcalifornia.edu
  - Research individual schools

UC Admissions Requirements

- A-G requirements are a *must*, not a *suggestion*
- Minimum GPA requirement 3.0
- Plan, Plan, Plan
  - Take the SAT's/ACT's no later than Dec 2010.
  - 2 subject SAT's in different areas. Send scores one campus via collegeboard, ACT - all
  - Apply broadly
- Timing is Everything!
  - Do NOT wait until the November 30th deadline to submit your application
- Set aside time to write your Personal Statements

UC Personal Statement Questions

- Respond to two prompts
- Maximum of 1,000 words total
- May respond to one prompt at greater length, shorter response not less than 250 words

UC Personal Statement Questions

Prompt #1 –

Describe the world you come from – for example, your family, community or school – tell us how your world has shaped your dreams and aspirations.

Prompt #2 –

Tell us about a personal quality, talent, accomplishment, contribution or experience that is important to you. What about this quality or accomplishment makes you proud and how does it relate to the person you are?

Tips for Writing – See Handout

UC Eligibility Index

A student meets the Scholarship Requirement if he or she achieves the GPA (3.0 minimum in California) and test score total indicated in the Eligibility Index.

"A – G" GPA	UC Score Total
3.00 – 3.04	223
3.05 – 3.09	210

Refer to Eligibility Index online at
www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/scholarship req

You will see a Test Score Translation Table

Eligibility in the Local Context for the UC

- The top four percent of students at each participating California high school are designated UC-eligible. UC has identified ELC students and assigned an ELC number.

- *SRVHS ELC students have already been notified and a file has been started by the UC system.*

- Students must still complete Subject and Examination Requirements

- ELC information available at *www.ucop.edu/sas/elc*

Application Cycle

- UC Fall filing period is between November 1 – 30. May go online Oct 1, but can not submit before Nov 1.

- CSU October 1 – November 30

- CSU Cal Poly Early Decision Oct 31 Deadline

    DO NOT WAIT UNTIL NOVEMBER 30

    TO APPLY

- Students should keep each campus informed of any changes in information reported on application.

- Check at time of application for housing recommendation

- Students must respond to all inquiries for information from each campus.

Application Cycle, cont'd

- Each campus reviews applications in a comprehensive manner.

- Fee UC $60 each campus, CSU $55 each campus

- Most admission decisions for freshmen are sent out between March 1 and March 30. CSU may be earlier.

- Many campuses have online access to admissions decisions.

- Students must submit their intent to register (to one campus only) by May 1.

- Request final transcript from Registrar by graduation date.

28

High School Transcripts

Student Name			
Student ID	Grade 11	Gender -	
Birth Place	Date Of Birth		
Parent Guardian			

San Ramon Valley USD
San Ramon Valley High School

Enter Date: 08/27/07
Leave Date:
Class Of: 2011

State ID:

School Name/Address
San Ramon Valley High School
501 Danville Bl
Danville, CA 94526
Tel: 925-552-5580   Fax: 838-7802
Counselor:

Crs ID	Course Title	Mk	Credit
Charlotte Wood Middle School Grd 07 1/2006			
FLFAHJ	P French 1A	A	M
MAA1HJ	P N Adv Algebra 1	A	M
Crd Att: 0.000 Cmp: 0.000 Total Weighted: 0.00			
Charlotte Wood Middle School Grd 07 6/2006			
FLFAHJ	P French 1A	A-	M
MAA1HJ	P N Adv Algebra 1	A-	M
Crd Att: 0.000 Cmp: 0.000 Total Weighted: 0.00			
Charlotte Wood Middle School Grd 08 1/2007			
FLFBHJ	P French 1B	A	M
MAG*HJ	P N Geometry Jr High	A	M
Crd Att: 0.000 Cmp: 0.000 Total Weighted: 0.00			
Charlotte Wood Middle School Grd 08 6/2007			
FLFBHJ	P French 1B	A	M
MAG*HJ	P N Geometry Jr High	A	M
Crd Att: 0.000 Cmp: 0.000 Total Weighted: 0.00			
San Ramon Valley High School Grd 09 1/2008			
ENE9**	P English 9	A-	5.000
FLF3**	P French 3	A	5.000
MAA2*U	P Algebra 2 Adv	B+	5.000
NDH**N	N Health	A+	5.000
NDL**N	N Leadership	A	5.000
PE9**N	X PE 9	A	5.000
SCAB**	P Biology Accelerate	A	5.000
Crd Att: 35.000 Cmp: 35.000 Total Weighted: 3.86			
San Ramon Valley High School Grd 09 6/2008			
ENE9**	P English 9	A	5.000
FLF3**	P French 3	A+	5.000

Crs ID	Course Title	Mk	Credit
San Ramon Valley High School Grd 10 1/2009			.
ENE10U	P English 10 Adv	A	5.000
FAOI**	P Oral Interpret.	A+	5.000
FLF4*H	P H French 4 Honors	A+	5.000
MATMAH	P H Pre Calc/Trig H	B+	5.000
NDL**N	N Leadership	A	5.000
SCC**H	P H Chemistry Honors	A	5.000
SSEHAP	P H European Hist AP	A	5.000
Crd Att: 35.000 Cmp: 35.000 Total Weighted: 4.43			
San Ramon Valley High School Grd 10 6/2009			
ENE10U	P English 10 Adv	A+	5.000
FAOI**	P Oral Interpret.	A+	5.000
FLF4*H	P H French 4 Honors	A+	5.000
MATMAH	P H Pre Calc/Trig H	A	5.000
NDL**N	N Leadership	A	5.000
SCC**H	P H Chemistry Honors	A	5.000
SSEHAP	P H European Hist AP	A+	5.000
Crd Att: 35.000 Cmp: 35.000 Total Weighted: 4.57			
San Ramon Valley High School Grd 11 1/2010			
NDS2**	P Speech 2	P	5.000
Crd Att: 5.000 Cmp: 5.000 Total Weighted: 0.00			
San Ramon Valley High School Grd 11 1/2010			
ENLCAP	P H English Lang AP	A	5.000
FLFLAP	P H French Lang AP	A	5.000
MACABP	P H Calculus AB AP	A	5.000
NDL**N	N Leadership	A+	5.000
SCB*AP	P H Biology AP	A	5.000
SSUSAP	P H US History AP	A	5.000
Crd Att: 30.000 Cmp: 30.000 Total Weighted: 4.83			

Credit Summary - High School Diploma - 240

	Subject Area	Req	Cmp	Def
A	English	40.000	30.000	10.000
B	General Math	10.000	10.000	
C	World History	15.000	15.000	
D	US History	10.000	10.000	
E	American Govt	5.000	0.000	5.000
F	Economics	5.000	0.000	5.000
G	Life Science	10.000	10.000	
H	Physical Science	10.000	10.000	
I	Foreign Language ++	10.000	10.000	
J	Voc/Applied Arts ++	10.000	0.000	10.000
K	Fine Art ++	10.000	10.000	
L	Physical Education	20.000	15.000	5.000
M	Health	5.000	5.000	
N	Electives	70.000	80.000	
O	Algebra	10.000	10.000	
U	Unscheduled		0.000	
------Total Credits------		240.000	215.000	35.000

GPA Summary

Total Weighted:	4.38
Total Unweighted:	3.93
CP Weighted:	4.77
Cal Grant Unweight	3.96

Testing Information

Proficiency Tests

CAHSEE-English	Passed	450	03/17/09
CAHSEE-Math	Passed	450	03/17/09

The ABC's of GPA's

- **Total Weighted**:

  Includes grades received for ALL courses reported on the transcript with honors and AP course grades receiving an extra grade point.

- **Total Unweighted**:

  Includes grades received for ALL courses reported on the transcript with no extra grade points given for honors or AP courses.

- **CP Weighted**:

  Standing for College Prep Weighted' this includes grades received for college prep courses taken in grades 10 through 12 with honors and AP course grades receiving an extra grade point. College prep courses are noted on the transcript with a 'P' in front of the course title.

- **Cal Grant Unweighted**:

  This GPA is used by the state of California to determine eligibility for certain loan and grant programs. The GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale so no extra weight is given for honors or AP courses. Only grades received from the sophomore through junior year are used and P.E. courses are not included in the calculation.

UC/CSU Grade Point Average

— Calculated beginning in 10th grade in approved courses only (a-g)

— Additional grade points given for grades of C or better in approved honors, Advanced Placement

— Additional grade points given for UC-transferable college courses

— Repeating classes – report all grades for UC system

Higher repeated "D" or "F" for CSU

Applying to Private Institutions

- GPA, test scores, extracurricular, essays, recommendations, strength of program, interview
- Obtain application online or request paper from school
- Common application available for many schools
- Check for supplemental application
- Web Site www.commonapp.org
- Check application deadlines and testing requirements
- Early Action/Early Decision

Sample Student Information Packet
*due to your counselor at least **2 weeks prior** to first application due date*

- Student Private College or Scholarship Application Packet
- Information needed Forms available on SRVHS website under college applications
  - A: Private School Due Date form
  - B: Parent Portion
  - C: Student Portion – Questions (13)
  - D: Senior Résumé
  - E: Transcript Request Form

- How to ask people for letters of recommendation
- Whom should you ask?
- Appointment with your counselor?
  - Utilize brunch and lunch drop-in times and email for answers to quick questions

Applying to Private Institutions

- Secondary School reports and Letters of Recommendation
- Complete student application packet/parent packet due to your counselor 2 weeks prior to first application
- Provide self-addressed stamped envelope
- Request transcripts from registrar ($2.00 each) or Docufide $7.00
- See Private School and Out of State Schools Checklist Sheet
- Send test scores from College Board, ACT
- Provide additional stamped envelope along with mid-year report. Give mid-year report to counselor in Dec.

Applying to Private Institutions

Be mindful regarding Thanksgiving and winter break. Counselors and registrar will not be able to process letters of recommendation or transcripts after December 6th, if needed for January 1st deadline.

Resources for Information

- **ACT** - Administrators of the ACT exam
  www.act.org

- **College Board** - Administrators of the SAT Reasoning Test, SAT Subject Tests, and Advanced Placement exams

- www.collegeboard.org,
  www.collegeboard.org/ap,
  www.californiacolleges.edu,

- www.aiccu.edu – California Independent Colleges, &www.cccco.edu – California Community Colleges

- **Financial Aid Workshop** will be held in January

Financial Aid

- There will be a financial aid night held at Dougherty Valley High School on January 31, 2011.

- FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) www.fafsa.ed.gov

- Filing window is January 1st–March 2nd of your senior year.

- Cal Grant www.calgrants.org

- Must meet eligibility requirements of income and GPA.

Paying for College

2010 – 2011	Community College	CSU	UC	Private/ Independent
Registration Fees &	$686-$802	$4,810-$6,498	$11,030-$15,308	$25,881-$40,384
Books & Supplies	$1,704	$1,704	$1,704	$1,704
Room & Board	$3,500-$11.556	$7,041-$12.414 on	$11,400-$14.384	$8,568-$12.350 on
Transportatio	$1,224	$1,224	$1,224	$1,224
Personal Expenses	$3,120	$3,120	$3,120	$3,120
Total Expenses	**$10,400-$18,290**	**$17,899-$24,960**	**$28,478-$35,740**	**$40,497-$58,782**

Check the Career Center and SRVHS Counseling Website
for Scholarship & Financial Aid Information

Financial Aid Programs for Undergraduates

Work Study	Grants	Loans
Financial assistance earned by a student through employment	**Financial aid that does not have to be repaid**	**Money loaned to students. Repayment begins after student has left college**

Work Study		Grants		Loans	
Federal Work Study	$1,000 – 4,500			Perkins	$3,000 per year maximum
		Pell	$555-$5,550	Stafford/Federal Direct Loan	$5,500 - $7,500 per year
		SEOG	$100 - $4,000		
		Cal Grant A	$4,230 - $10,302		
		Cal Grant B	$5,701 - $11,853		
		Cal Grant C	Vocational programs only		
		EOP Grant	$100 - $1,000		
		University Grant	Varies by school		

In order to be considered for **all types** of financial aid, students must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the GPA verification form by March 2nd of their senior year in high school.
To continue to receive student aid, students must re-apply every year.

Contact the financial aid office at the college where you want to attend for complete information.

NCAA Eligibility

- College bound student athletes should refer to the Clearinghouse web site for eligibility requirements and application process.

  Make sure you have completed the required 16 core courses.

  www.ncaa.org or NCAA Guide to the College Bound student athlete

- Be sure to send SAT/ACT scores directly to NCAA Code 9999

  The NCAA Guide for the College Bound Student Athlete is available online

Did You Remember to…

- Grades are maintained senior year – notify admissions of changes in schedule
- Sign up for your SAT's/ACT's?
  - If applying to UC, *sending scores to one campus will send them to all campuses*
  - If applying to CSU, use SAT school code 3594
- Request that your scores be sent to all colleges to which you're applying? (or *think* you're applying?)
- Make a dedicated (and appropriate!) email account.
- Make sure all online accounts are appropriate?
  - Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, etc.
- Request letters of recommendation in a polite and timely fashion?
- Transcripts: UC/CSU intent to register.
       Private: $2.00 each/$2.00 PDF-Common App.
- *Relax?!?* There's a college out there for everyone!

Good Luck!!