INFORMATION FOR SUCCESS- Seniors 2015-16

High School Graduation Requirements:
4 years of English (9th, 10th, 11th, 12th)
2 years of Math (Algebra 1 and Geometry)
3 years of Social Science (World History or AP Euro, US History, Govt/Economics)
2 years of Science (1yr physical, 1 yr life)
1 year of Fine Art
1 Semester of Career Prep
1 Semester of Health
2 Years of Physical Education
14 semesters (70 credits) Electives

220 Total Credits
CAHSEE-must pass ELA and Math

A-G College Requirements
A. 2 yrs. History (1 US Hist. and 1 World Hist.)
B. 4 years English (College Prep)
C. 3 years Math (Alg. 1, Geometry, Alg. 2+)
4 years recommended
D. 2 years Science (Bio. and Chem. or Physics+)
3 years recommended
E. 2 years of Foreign Language (same language)
3 years *recommended*
F. 1 year Visual and Performing Arts
G. 1 year College Preparatory Elective

ALL COLLEGE REQUIRED COURSES MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A "C" GRADE OR BETTER!
*If a course is dropped after applying to universities, you must notify each school.

NCAA Eligibility Standards for Collegiate Athletes
16 Core-Course Rules
(Min 2.3 GPA)
4 years of English (College Prep)
3 years of Math (Algebra 1 or higher)
2 years of natural/physical science (1 yr of lab science)
1 year of additional English, Math, or natural/physical science.
2 years of social science
4 years of additional courses (from any core area, foreign language or nondoctrinal religion/philosophy)

ACADEMIC

- Visit the Counseling page of the CVHS website: **www.cvhsfalcons.com**
- Attend school daily, avoid tardies, and maintain focus on academic success.
- Maintain good grades. Seek teacher help and extra tutoring as needed. **www.khanacademy.com**, **www.shmoop.com**
- Check your progress regularly on the student portal or teacher websites. Don't wait for 5 week progress reports.

PERSONAL/SOCIAL

- If personal issues are getting in the way of your success, see your counselor for resources that can help.
- Involvement in extracurricular and community service activities is very important for college applications and scholarships.

CAREER

- Explore EXTENSIVE resources related to career exploration and planning: **www.whodouwant2b.com**, **www.californiacareers.info**, **www.cacareerzone.org**, **www.mappingyourfutrue.org**, **www.bls.gov**

COLLEGE

College Exploration

www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org **www.a2zcolleges.com**
www.collegeweeklive.com **www.trade-schools.net** **www.artschools.com**
www.mappingyourfuture.org **www.californiacolleges.edu** **www.cappex.com**

Application websites

www.csumentor.edu (CSU) **www.ucop.edu** (UC) **www.commonapp.org** (private)
www.cccapply.org (California Community Colleges) **www.glendale.edu** (GCC)

Testing

- Seniors should have already taken the SAT or ACT. Most colleges will not accept scores beyond the December dates. WATCH REGISTRATION DEADLINES usually 1 month prior to test date.
  SAT Reasoning Test: **www.sat.collegeboard.org** **(10/3, 11/7, 12/5)**
  ACT Test*: **www.actstudent.org** **(9/12, 10/24, 12/12)**
  (*must include writing portion for UC and private schools).

Letters of Recommendation Requests

- Requests for Letters of Recommendation or Secondary School Reports must be submitted to counselors at least 3 weeks prior to any due date and no later than Thursday, November 19th for all 2015-16 requests.

College Athletics

- Student athletes must apply with the NCAA at the end of your junior year if they intend to play in college. Review transcripts and take at least 16 core courses.
- **http://eligibilitycenter.org/**

College Funding applications

- FAFSA & Cal Grant Deadline= March 2nd (two separate applications). CVHS will upload all Cal Grant GPAs.
- Financial Aid & Scholarship Websites: **www.fafsa.ed.gov** **www.scholarships.com**
  www.collegeanswer.com **www.collegenet.com** **www.xap.com** **www.fastweb.com**