

Chenango Valley Central School District

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Dear Families:

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As families of a high school senior, the following information is to briefly outline the major options open to students who are planning to graduate in 2022. You are invited and encouraged to utilize the resources of the Guidance Office. Please feel free to call your son/daughter's counselor for an appointment should you have any questions.

Counselor assignments for grade 12:

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IS YOUR CHILD PLANNING TO APPLY TO COLLEGE?

1. Applications should be submitted to colleges during the first semester of the senior year; applications to private colleges are obtained directly from the colleges or online through the Common Application. Applications to campuses of the State University of New York and to SUNY Broome Community College are available online through the SUNY application or the Common Application. **Applications to SUNY Broome are free. Do not process a SUNY Broome application through the SUNY website, process on Broome's website.** Colleges provide application materials on their websites.

2. Families and students are encouraged to visit schools being considered; it is advisable to email, call or go online to make an appointment and to take with you an official transcript obtainable from the Guidance Office.

3. The principle means of disseminating information pertinent to seniors is through the Senior Newsletter, published approximately eight times per school year. Each senior should be positive that they receive each issue distributed through first period class. A copy will be mailed home as well. Newsletters are also available on the website or in the guidance office.

4. Carefully review the websites of each school you are interested in. College representatives will come to CV for visits. Students, please sign-up to meet with the reps from the colleges that you are interested in. Sign-up sheets are in the guidance office.

5. All students and parents are encouraged to utilize Career Cruising, a web-based program. Enter **chenango** for the username and **valley** for the password. Detailed information regarding colleges, financial assistance, careers and military services are readily obtained.

6. **EARLY DECISION / EARLY ACTION** – Some colleges have an early decision or early action option. Early decision is a binding contract by which the student agrees to withdraw all other college applications if he/she is accepted as an early decision candidate. Early action simply means that the application will be processed sooner and the student will be notified earlier of their acceptance. **Parents and students need to note application dates carefully. Early decision and early action applications have earlier deadlines for filing.**

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7. **RECOMMENDATIONS: IMPORTANT** – If a college requests that you send out recommendation letters from teachers, community members, etc., please give them at least two weeks to prepare a recommendation for you. Give your recommenders a copy of your resume so they will have all the pertinent information to write about and highlight your accomplishments. Choose people you ask to write recommendations for you wisely and be sure to thank them.

*****8. IMPORTANT - When applying to college you need to let your counselor know. Please bring your counselor the names of the colleges that you have applied to. We need to send out an official transcript. Your application will be incomplete until you do this!**

9. **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE –SELECTION CRITERIA** Students will be nominated based on the weighted average of the Regents test scores for English, Global Studies, American History, Algebra 2/Trig and two of the following sciences: Earth, Living Environment and Chemistry. If you have taken all three sciences, the two highest scores will be used. In the case of a tie, rank order as of the end of junior year will be used to determine the nominee.

10. **NOW** is the time to start the college selection process.

11. **College Information Day** is **October 20, 2021**, at the Broome County Arena from 6-8:00 pm.

12. Senior Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, September 25 at 9:00 AM in the High School Cafeteria.

IS YOUR CHILD PLANNING TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT UPON GRADUATION?

1. Materials on careers and job opportunities are available in the Guidance Office.
2. Services of the New York State Labor Department should be utilized.
3. Frequent discussions with the counselor are encouraged.

IS YOUR CHILD PLANNING TO ENTER THE ARMED SERVICE?

1. Extensive information is available in the Guidance Office.
2. Representatives of the various services visit the high school on a regular basis; dates are published well in advance of the visits.
3. Early in the Spring, the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) will be administered here at the high school or at any of the recruiting offices. All students who are considering any one of the services please see your counselor.

Please call you son/daughter's counselor with any questions. Again, please feel free to utilize all available resources.

May both you and your "senior" experience a successful final year at Chenango Valley!

Sincerely,

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