Class of 2022,

Welcome to your senior year! The GHS College and Career Center is here to help you over the next year with all of your college & career planning needs. Here is some helpful information to get you started when thinking about your future. If you have any questions along the way, please feel free to reach out to me at <u>dwatson@lvjusd.org</u> or your academic counselor.

<u>College Visits</u> will be held virtually this fall. Over the next few months, colleges will be conducting virtual visits for LVJUSD students during lunch and after school. Join the meetings at the indicated dates/times to learn more about the college and to get your questions answered. Please check this list often for new visits.

<u>College & Career Community Events</u> are happening virtually throughout the year. Please continue to check this list for information about free, upcoming events to help you with college & career planning.

<u>College Applications</u> are an important part of your senior year. Visit our page with more information and important dates for applying to college.

Not sure if you should take the <u>SAT or ACT</u>? Check out our page with more information on whether or not you should take the test for four-year college admissions. If you are going straight to a community college, you do not need to take the test.

Have you started to think about <u>Scholarships and Financial Aid</u>? If not, now is the time to start thinking about how you are going to pay for college. Scholarships are now available for seniors and current opportunities are available on our website. You can also fill out <u>this form</u> to be notified about different scholarship opportunities. Make sure you read about filing your FAFSA or CADAA. These applications open October 1st.

Not sure where to start? Check out our <u>College Planning Resources</u> page. Research colleges that are a good fit for you, create your college list, get a senior year checklist and more.

Not sure what you want to study in college? Not sure if college is the best fit for you? Thinking about an apprenticeship program or joining the military? Check out our <u>Career Exploration Resources</u> for more post-high school options.

Lastly, our department will be hosting various virtual events this fall. These events include Senior Information Night, Financial Aid Night and the Tri-Valley College & Career Exploration Nights. More information about these events will be shared over the next few weeks.

I hope this helps get you started. I look forward to working with you this year.

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