



# RANCHO BUENA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

## COUNSELOR CONNECTION

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2018

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### Happy Fall, Longhorns!

We are almost half way through the school year... time flies! Seniors are finishing up their college applications, all grades are gearing up for finals, and the holidays are just around the corner. We hope everyone has a restful, safe, and happy holiday season and we will see you in 2019!



### UPCOMING DATES

- ◆ **November 19-23:** Holiday Break
- ◆ **November 30:** **CSU and UC Applications Due**
- ◆ **December 1-18:** Schedule Change Request Window
- ◆ **December 17-19:** Finals Week
- ◆ **December 20-January 7:** Winter Break
- ◆ **January 23:** Dual Enrollment Info Night
- ◆ **January 18:** Student Holiday
- ◆ **January 21:** MLK Day Holiday



### Need Help with College Apps and Financial Aid/ Dream App?



Check out these free resources:

College Application help every Tuesday, 2:45-4:30pm starting October 9—see Mr. Arciniega for details

Cash for College FAFSA-DREAM App Workshop

Feb 2 at RBV, 9am-noon



**FREE FAFSA/Dream Act Help!**

FAFSA Website: [Click here](#)

[Step-by-Step Guide](#) to Filling out the FAFSA

[12 Common FAFSA Mistakes](#)

[More Links](#) from the FAFSA Website Covering a Variety of Information

**It's never too early to start planning for college!**

## WHAT'S GOING ON?

**Club Life:** Did you know RBV has dozens of clubs on campus you can join at any time? From the Academic Club, to the Art Club, to Chess and the Military, we know there's a club just for you. Make sure to check out the next Club Carnival in the Quad next semester at lunch. Bring cash if you want to purchase any snacks as each club will be selling something tasty to help support club costs.



**Social/Emotional/Academic Support:** Did you know there are many resources on campus available to students who have social or emotional needs or academic support? Check these out and see your counselor if you're interested:

- PLUS
- Peer Counselors
- Boys/Girls Support Group
- Palomar ETS (college and career planning help + academic tutoring)
- Gear Up (for freshman who are first generation college bound)

## SENIOR HOTSPOT

Class of 2019, are you ready for your Senior year?! This will be an exciting time as you wrap up your experience at RBV. You will also be preparing for college throughout the year. Here's a short step-by-step guide for what you should be doing throughout the year:

- Make a list of the colleges/universities in which you are interested
- Take time to visit college campuses (if you can)
- Apply for the FAFSA beginning on October 1 (**this is free money; don't wait!**)
- Use California Colleges to research colleges and save your searches
- Start to look at the CSU/UC application and begin filling it out
- Start working on your UC Insight Questions or Common App Essay and have others proofread it
- Complete your Brag Packet and Submit a Letter of Recommendation Request to your Counselor

## CAREER CENTER

**SAT/ACT Testing Information:** Fee waivers are based on eligibility for the National School Lunch Program (free/reduced). See Mrs. Williams if you think you qualify.

### [Palomar College Application is Now Open!!](#)

- 1.) Apply online to Palomar College at [CCCApply](#) or go to [www.palomar.edu/apply](http://www.palomar.edu/apply).
- 2.) Activate your student email and download the [Palomar College Mobile app](#). Check your email frequently for important updates. Financial Aid Office and FYE-Palomar Promise will only communicate with you via your Palomar student email account.
- 3.) Visit [MyPalomar](#) (eServices) to submit your FYE-Palomar Promise application. Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis pending availability of program funds. Apply ASAP—don't wait until March!
- 4.) Complete the [FAFSA](#) or [California Dream Act](#) application, and include **Palomar College School Code: 001260**. You must have a **valid application on file** with the college for your FYE-Palomar Promise application to be considered.
- 5.) Orientation is mandatory for new students. Visit [www.palomar.edu/orientation](http://www.palomar.edu/orientation) to complete your orientation online or to sign up for an in-person orientation.