# **Application Packet**

## 2017-2018

# The Early College Program

A Partnership between Campbell County Schools and Central Virginia Community College

# Important Information For Early College Applicants and Parents

- 1. To apply to the Early College Program the student must:
  - be a sophomore enrolled in a Campbell County high school
  - be enrolled in Algebra II/Trig or a higher level math course and have successfully completed Algebra I and Geometry
  - have a GPA of 3.5 or higher
  - submit a completed application by the designated due date.
- 2, The <u>due date</u> for returning the completed application to your guidance counselor is <u>February 10, 2017.</u>
- 3. See your guidance counselor for other details about the application process.
- 4. Students invited to participate in the program must take the CVCC Compass assessment in mathematics and English. Acceptable scores must be secured prior to placement in the program.
- 5. All students accepted into the program must participate in an orientation that will be held shortly before the beginning of the school year. Students will be notified of the date as soon as it is set.

Informational meetings will be held for parents and students on January 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. and January 19, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. at the Campbell County Technical Center.

## Campbell County Schools/Central Virginia Community College Early College Program Application

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Guidance Counselor	Expecte	d Graduation Year			
Parent/Guardian Nar	me				
Home Address	Street	City		Zip	
Parent/Guardian #1 I		Vork	Ce	ell	
Parent/Guardian #2 I		Vork		Cell	
Parent/Guardian #1 I	Email				
Parent/Guardian #2 I	Email				
Student's Phone	Home		Cell		
Have you applied for	Central VA Go	vernor's School or S	STEM Academy?	Yes 🗌 No	
If yes, please check	the program wh	ich is your first choi	ce. CVGS	Early College	STEM
I hereby apply for ad	mission to the E	arly College Progra	ım.		
Student's Signature					
Parent's/Guardian's	Signature				

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Activities	Time Involved	Year
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Student Name\_\_\_\_\_

Please type your responses to the items below using standard margins and double spacing. Submit the position statement and essay with the application. (**Please submit a hard copy and electronic copy**)

#### **STUDENT POSITION STATEMENT**:

Write a brief statement telling why you wish to enroll in the Early College Program and what you hope to achieve if you are selected to participate in this program.

### **REQUIRED ESSAY** (250-500 words)

Think carefully about the issue presented in the following excerpt and the assignment below.

Martin Baily, PhD, Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution stated the following in a Feb. 15, 2008, entry titled "Is MySpace Good for Society? A Freakonomics Quorum," from the "Freakonomics" blog hosted by the *New York Times*:

"Powerful new technologies provide great benefits, but they also change the way we live, and not always in ways that everyone likes. An example is the spread of air conditioning, which makes us more comfortable, but those who grew up before its invention speak fondly of a time when everyone sat on the front porch and talked to their neighbors rather than going indoors to stay cool and watch TV. The declining cost of information processing and communication represents a powerful new technology, with social networking as the most recent service to be provided at modest cost. It can be expected to bring pluses and minuses...

But will social networking sites really improve the quality of people's lives? The pluses include easier contacts with friends, and increased chances to make new friends and create a community, as well as find romantic relationships. Even the advertising may be a plus, because it is targeted to the particular interests of the user.

The minuses are that all of this sharing can be dangerous, through gossip and potential abuse of the services. Examples include reported suicides linked to malicious gossip circulated on a social network. Some people become addicted to life on the computer screen, and withdraw from personal contact — it's a long way from people sitting on the porch talking to friends and neighbors... I am by inclination a technology optimist, believing that the bad things will be filtered out over time and net benefits will emerge. But in the early stages of any new technology, the buyer must beware."

#### **Assignment**

Are social networking sites good for our society? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observations.