Dear Parent(s),

Educational Talent Search (ETS) is a project funded by the U. S. Department of Education and is administered by Diablo Valley College (DVC). The purpose of this project is to encourage low-income and potential first generation college students to complete middle school and high school and go on to college. However, only 2/3rds of our total student enrollment must be both low-income and first-generation college-bound students.

Services listed below are free of charge and will be offered at target schools, DVC or at a local college campus.
- Academic, financial, and career guidance, including advice on entry to college
- Career exploration and aptitude assessment
- College Visits
- Assistance in completing college admissions and financial aid applications step by step
- Assistance in preparing for college entrance exams
- Special activities for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders
- Workshops for the parents of participants
- Fee-waiver assistance to pay for college entrance exams, admissions and financial aid application fees.
- Summer academic enrichment programs in Math, English, College Planning, Testing & Career Exploration.
- Academic Tutoring

If you would like for your child to participate in this project, submit the following forms to ETS:
- High School Application
- Program Application
- Income Verification (last year’s signed 1040, Social Service Income, FAFSA)
- High School Participant Needs Assessment
- Health Service Information and Medical Release
- High School Transcript (if 9th grade, most recent progress report)
- Student’s Social Security Number at the time of Program Enrollment

Return the application packet to the ETS staff person at your school or mail it to the following address;

Diablo Valley College
Student Services Center
Educational Talent Search
321 Golf Club Rd
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Once your application has been reviewed you will receive a letter in the mail indicating your enrollment status. Applicants accepted into ETS are eligible to receive services until they enroll in college. If you have questions, please feel free to contact us at (925) 969-2189. Documents may be faxed to 691-9316

Sincerely,

Jackqueline Jones-Castellano

Project Director
Educational Talent Search
Educational Talent Search
HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION

Last Name: ________________________ First Name: ________________________ Middle Name: _____________________

Address: __________________________________________ City: _______________ State: ______   Zip: _______________

Home Phone #: (        )        Cell Phone #: (        )

E-Mail Address: __________________________

Sex: ___________  Date of Birth: _______________________  Age: (circle)   14     15     16      17     18

Ethnicity: (Circle all that apply)      American Indian or Alaska Native         Asian           Black or African American
Hispanic or Latino        White           Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander      Other(please list) __________________

School:________________________Grade:_________ Name & grade of sibling at this school?_________________________

Name Parent/Guardian you live with    Female:___________________________              Male:__________________________

Participant Eligibility:

1.  Are you a U.S. citizen?        Yes   _______   No   _______             School ID Number ________________________________

   If no, what is your residency status? (e.g. green card, etc.) _____________________ Alien Reg.#:  A __________________

2.  Did your mother graduate from college with a four-year degree?              Yes:       No:

3.  Did your father graduate from college with a four-year degree?    Yes:      No:

4.  Do your parent(s) work? Yes:____ No:____   Their Occupation?  Female:_________________    Male:_________________

   Do you or your parent(s) receive (circle ) : CalWORKS(Wel)fare   Social Security(ssi) General Assistance(G.A.)

   Free/Reduced Lunch   Subsidized Housing   Medi-Cal   Food Stamps

5.  How many people are in your household, including yourself?    __________

6.  Do you have a physical or learning disability?  Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, please specify: __________________________________________

7.  Are you currently enrolled in another college outreach program? (e.g. Puente, AVID, EAOP, UB, etc.)____________

   If yes, please list all programs you are enrolled in?___________________________

Statement of Intent to Participate:

I wish to enroll in and participate in the activities sponsored by the Educational Talent Search (ETS) project. In order to enroll I realize that I must submit my social security number to complete my enrollment application.  I will meet with the ETS Project Staff on a regular basis (not less than twice a semester) to participate fully in project services.  Prior to receiving services, I will provide ETS staff with all requested information regarding family income, educational level and documentation to verify my eligibility/need for services as required by the U.S. Dept. of Education.  If I fail to meet with ETS staff or attend at least two project sponsored activities per semester, I may be dropped from the program.  I understand and agree to these conditions and acknowledge my willingness to meet the specified conditions of participation as evidenced by my signature below.

Note: Information is protected by the privacy act.  No one may view this information unless they work with or for the Diablo Valley College Educational Talent Search Project or are specifically authorized.  This information is necessary to determine if you are eligible to participate in the Educational Talent Search Project.  I certify that the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student's Signature: _________________________________________________    Date:

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Total Annual Budget $301,625

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Eligibility Status ________________________________
Documentation Type____________________________
Documentation Date ____________________________
Program Acceptance _____________________________
Date Transcript Received ________________________
RC Status (Circle): On Track   Not on Track
RC Status Documented By: ________________________
On Track for HS Grad (4yrs) Yes   No
HS Grad Documented By: ________________________
Educational Talent Search

PROGRAM APPLICATION

(All information must be completed by the parent(s)/guardian(s) of non-emancipated applicants under the age of 18).

Student’s Name:______________________________ School:____________________ Grade:____________________

School ID Number :_____________________________ Permanent Resident Card #:____________________________

Is your child Hispanic/Latino?  Yes   No    If not, please select (circle all that apply) American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian           Black or African American        White           Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

1.  ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION FORM

Please indicate the highest grade completed

Elementary (k-9)   □   Mother   □   Father   □   Guardian   □

High school (9-12)  □   □   □

Some college       □   □   □

2-year college degree □   □   □

4-year college degree (or higher) □   □   □

I/we the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the above named student had an annual taxable income (see line 27 on 1040A or line 43 on 1040) of $_________ for 2012. This income supported _________(number of people, including all people who were supported by income).

One of the following documents must accompany this application to verify income for the previous year and the above statement: If you have not filed taxes for 2012, please attach your 2011 taxes. If you will not file taxes please attach your 2012 income verification. If you do not have income verification, attach a letter of explanation.

☐ Signed Copy of last year’s 1040 tax return (ONLY FIRST 2 PAGES)
☐ Signed Copy of last year’s annual Social Services Income (Notice of Action, SSI, Signed Statement from case worker)
☐ Signed Copy of Parent/Guardian Notification of Eligibility for Free or Reduced Lunch from District
☐ Signed Financial Aid Form (FAFSA) from previous year

2.  PARENT/GUARDIAN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

The school that my child (Name of Student)__________________________ currently attends has my permission to release information (Such documents may include: a copy of my child’s school transcript, test scores, ACT/SAT or GED scores, and school lunch program eligibility) to Diablo Valley College’s Educational Talent Search project.

_________________________ (Name of Student) has my permission to participate in services, activities, and field trips planned and supervised by Diablo Valley College’s Educational Talent Search. The project, the college, and the employees of Talent Search are released by me from claims against them arising from injuries, which might occur in route to/at/from the destination.

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury, that all information reported on this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge my support for my child to participate in Diablo Valley College’s Educational Talent Search Project. I commit to attending at least one (1) ETS Parent Workshop per program year. I understand that occasionally class release time is required in order for my child to receive ETS services.

(Print Parent/Guardian Name)   (Parent/Guardian Signature)   (Date)

Note: All personal records or documentation will be held in strictest confidence by the staff of ETS, DVC and the Colleges of Contra Costa. (consistent with the Federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, regulations, and other laws) and will not be released to any other entity without my prior acknowledgment and consent. This acknowledgment will be effective for the duration of my child’s participation in the program.

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HIGH SCHOOL PARTICIPANT
NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2012-2013

Name: _____________________ School: _____________________ Grade: ________

Select the activities that you would like to participate in, between Sept. 2012 and Aug. 2013. Select 5 activities, Rank your top 5 activities, 1 through 5, with 1 = activity of greatest interest.

____ 1). Talk to someone about going to college ______ 12). SAT/ACT Test Prep ______ 25
____ 2). Transcript Evaluation ______ 13). Test-Taking Tips ______ 23
____ 3). College Preparation Course Information ______ 14). Study Skills Development ______ 37
____ 4). College Campus Visit ______ 15). Time Management/Organizational Skills ______ 55
____ 5). College Admissions Requirements ______ 16). Goal Setting/Decision Making ______ 29
____ 6). Assist w/College Admission Application ______ 17). (circle) English ______ 43 /Math ______ 39 Skills Development
____ 8). Financial Aid /Scholarship Information ______ 19). High School Graduation Requirements ______ 3
____ 9). Assistance w/Financial Aid Application ______ 20). (circle) Admissions ______ 12 or Scholarship ______ 18
Financial Planning (saving for College) ______ 21). Test Registration Assistance (College Admissions. SAT/ACT/ELM/EPT, etc.) ______ 22
____ 11). Tutoring. Which 2 subjects do you need help with most? ______ 34

22). What do you see as your biggest obstacles for going to college? ____________________________________________________________

23). List Colleges you are interested in. Explain why? ____________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________

24). What Major(s) are you interested in? What career will your Major(s) lead to? ____________________________________________________________

25). List jobs, school clubs and the community service activities in which you will participate during this school year:

____________________________________________________________________

I realize that I must meet monthly with my ETS Staff person in order to benefit from program services. Given last year’s academic performance, I plan to set the following two goals to improve academically.

1). ________________________________________________________________

2). ________________________________________________________________

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Eligibility Status ______________________ Date Assessment Reviewed ______________________ Documentation Type ______________________ Date Scheduled for Plan of Action ______________________

Date of Math Assessment ______________________ Date of English Assessment ______________________

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ETS Staff Project Director

Acceptance Date

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HEALTH SERVICE INFORMATION

To the parent(s)/guardian(s): In the event your child may need medical attention for an illness or injury while attending a DVC-ETS sponsored field trip, the following information is necessary for the licensed medical staff to treat the underage minor. **Students will not be allowed to participate in any DVC-ETS sponsored activities without this form being completed. Please print legibly.**

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INFORMATION AND MEDICAL RELEASE

**Student’s Name**_________________________**Student Social Security #**_________________________(to be provided at the time of program enrollment)

**Information Release:** I/we authorize the DVC Educational Talent Search (ETS) to obtain documents relative to and consistent with my child’s education. Such documents may include: a copy of my child’s school transcript, test scores, ACT/SAT or GED scores, and school lunch program eligibility. I/we authorize ETS to obtain information related to my application for receipt of student financial assistance (federal, state, or other) a copy of my award notification from the financial aid office, and college admission and registration information. We would like to be part of the ETS program. I hereby give my permission for my child to participate in all Educational Talent Search activities. In addition, I hereby give my permission for my child’s name, photograph, work, and/or statements to be used by Educational Talent Search for promotional, publicity (web pages, social media, brochures, newspaper, etc…), or instructional purposes.

Parent Signature_________________________Student Signature_________________________Date___________

**Medical Release:** I certify that this information is true to the best of my knowledge. I do hereby give consent to DVC-ETS and its employees and agency to render or seek emergency medical treatment and assistance to the participant if deemed necessary. In consideration of granting permission by the DVC Educational Talent Search for the above named minor to participate in the activities sponsored by ETS, the participant, his/her parents or legally appointed guardian hereby agree to indemnify, hold harmless, release and forever discharge the DVC Educational Talent Search employees and/or agents from all claims and demands which the participant, his/her parents or legal guardian or the representatives or successors of them or any person may have against Contra Costa Community College District, DVC and its employees and agents by reason of acts, illness, or injury, or other consequences arising or resulting directly or indirectly from the participation of said minor in the aforementioned ETS activities.

Parent Signature_________________________Emergency Phone_________________________Date___________