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## RVCC-Honors College APPLICATION INFORMATION/INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all of the information and instructions before completing and submitting the application packet. *An incomplete application may delay your admissions process.* 

**<u>Eligibility Criteria</u>**: Students applying for admission into the RVCC Honors College should meet three of the following four criteria:

- 1. An unweighted cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher; or 87%
- 2. Rank in the Top 20% of their high school class
- 3. Proof of college readiness in both Math and English (\**Required*). This can be accomplished in one of three ways:
  - A cumulative SAT score of 1100+ (including 550+ in Math & 450+ in Evidence-Based Reading & Writing) OR
  - An aggregate ACT score of 26+ (including a 24+ in Reading and a 23+ in Math) **OR**
  - Satisfactory score on the RVCC Math & English Accuplacer Placement Test
- 4. History of civic engagement, leadership and/or volunteerism, either throughout high school or in your community

\*<u>NOTE</u>: The Honors College is test-optional. For applicants who either did not tale the ACT/SAT or choose not to submit their scores, additional emphasis will be placed on the student's co-curricular activities, examples of leadership and/or volunteer participation.

## Admission Requirements:

- 1. Completed RVCC-Honors College Application
- 2. \*500-word TYPED essay
- 3. \*Two letters of recommendation
  - ✓ One from a junior or senior year teacher
  - ✓ One from any of the following: guidance counselor, 2<sup>nd</sup> current teacher, supervisor/employer, community or religious leader.
- 4. \*Copy of high school transcript (in-progress)
- 5. \* Copy of SAT/ACT test scores (if applicable)

\*<u>NOTE</u>: All supplemental documents (essay, transcripts, letters of recommendation and SAT/ACT scores) can either be submitted to RVCC via Naviance or sent directly to:

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