

FALL 2011

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Ram Pride

Ram Page

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Character Word for October – Confidence

2A / 3A Community Forum - The West Valley School District Board of Directors is hosting a community forum on the topic of Interscholastic League Membership for the next two years. Currently, West Valley competes in the 3A Big Nine Athletic Conference. Our enrollment projection as well as the current projections in the area would put us in the position of moving from a 3A School to a 2A School for athletic competition. Anyone is welcome to attend a community forum on Monday, October 24th at 5:45 p.m. in the West Valley High School Auditorium. The forum will run for one hour.

The regular Board meeting will be held in Room 1245 at the HS after the public forum.



IMPORTANT : PLEASE READ!

Until we hear differently from YSO/YPD in our monthly gang awareness meetings, students may not wear a Rosary on the outside of their clothing. Staff will report a student wearing a Rosary on the outside of their clothes to Officer Lawrence.

IMPORTANT : PLEASE READ!

The band "Insane Clown Posse (ICP), Juggalos, and Hatchetman" are now considered gang related by the police department. Students with any gang related clothing, artifacts, drawings, etc. will be emergency expelled.

Registration for the 2011 Girl's Bowling Team is now underway (from Oct. 17-31). Go to the HS Main Office or the Frosh Campus Attendance Office for paperwork (Activity Permission Form, Bowling Safety Guidelines, Concussion Information Form). The first practice will be October 31st at Nob Hill Lanes at 3:30 pm...students must provide their own transportation/ride to and from practice.

Please NOTE:

**Winter Sports
(Boy's/Girl's Basketball, Wrestling,
Boy's Swim/Dive)**

Registration and Information Meeting:

Monday, November 7th @ 6:30 pm in the WVHS Auditorium.



SENIOR PARENTS: VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

All volunteers must complete a volunteer application form each year. If you plan on helping in a classroom, on the sports fields, chaperoning field trips or spending any time during school hours; a current volunteer application form must be completed annually. The application is available in any school office and must be submitted with a copy of your driver's license.

Safety of our students is our most important concern.

From the attendance office . . .

972-5912

STUDENTS NEED PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT VIA NOTE (the preferred way) OR PHONE CALL TO LEAVE THE WEST VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS FOR ANY REASON. IF your student needs to leave for a Dr./Dental appt., funeral, out of town, etc., the school needs parent contact to check them out of school. This is for student safety. A note from the Dr. or Dentist is required on return to school. For further attendance information, please refer to the student handbook or on line at www.wvsd208.org under "District" / "Policies and Procedures" / "3000 Students".

Thank you.



The FCCLA club raised \$1,458.00 for **Children's Miracle Network!** McKenna Fortner, Kelsey Giles and Sarah Mannin worked on a project with students at WV Middle School and will be going to the FCCLA National Competition in Anaheim, CA

July 8-14 **Congratulations Ladies!**



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Open Mic Poetry Night

The success of the first Open Mic Poetry reading night on Wed. 5/18 was amazing! We had about 30 students read original poems and we had two student bands perform. Teachers Kristin Johnson, Mark Burns and Josh McKimmy read original poems also.

Mr. McKimmy deserves kudos because he planned and organized the evening and along with some students set everything up too. Refreshments were provided free of charge. We had a terrific turn out of both students and parents. There were between 80 and 100 listeners in the audience. We are planning to have another Open Mic night in the fall. Watch for details!

WV students shine—Each year, as a prerequisite to taking pre-calculus for college credit through the CWU Cornerstone program, our students are required to take the APTP-MPT Intermediate exam through the University of Washington. CWU sets a cut-score that is used to determine appropriate college class placement for incoming college students. We have traditionally done well on this test, often with an excess of 95% of our students passing. **This year 108 WVHS students took the placement test (as compared to 47 last year) and 100% of the students passed the test.** If those students so choose, they are now eligible to pay for and receive college credit for pre-calculus based on their day-to-day performance in our classes and scores on the CWU final exam."

Students receive the 5th Avenue Musical Theatre Award

Congratulations to Maggie Parobek and Kim Van Horn! Maggie was nominated and Kim was given an Honorable Mention for their roles as "Rosie" and "Linda" in the production of "The Wedding Singer". With over seventy productions being evaluated statewide, both of these young actresses deserve kudos for this honor. Kim will be representing the West Valley Musical on stage at the event, along with Jake Back (Robbie), in Seattle on June 6th.

Congratulations to the #1 Ranked West Valley volleyball team.!

The team went undefeated in league play, and hosts Districts on Saturday, Oct. 29th



REMINDER . . . If you do not want your child's photo in the yearbook you will need put your request in writing and forward to yearbook advisor, Amy Osborn, at the high school.

Wanted: Senior Pictures

DIGITAL:

Must be...300dpi or higher resolution-emailed to oborna@wvwsd208.org with senior's full name in the subject line

OR -on CD with senior's name printed on the cover of the CD

PRINTED PICTURE:

Must be... 2 inches by 3 inches

-in an envelope with the senior's full name turned into the office

DUE BY NOVEMBER 7TH

Yearbook pictures

**Upload your
pictures for
possible publication
in the Yearbook!**

ReplayIt
by Jostens

Go to REPLAYIT.COM You can upload any pictures you would like and they automatically become available for the Yearbook staff to use! Photo credit may not be given.

Contact Ms. Osborn if you have questions!

Hello West Valley Seniors and

Parents! The Yearbook staff would like to welcome you to this exciting time! We have three very important pieces of information for you.

First - If you would like a senior portrait, other than the one taken by the school photographers, in the Yearbook - the due date is November 7. We prefer it digitally - on CD or email - the portrait must be 300 dpi or higher resolution. We also accept a paper copy, 2inches by 3inches.

Second - We are creating, with great enthusiasm and vigor, a spring-release Yearbook. That means that we will have the yearbooks in June and will distribute them to students before graduation! This has some drawbacks - graduation and prom will be missing from this book. But some benefits come from this as well; the most obvious is the opportunity to get more memories in your yearbook by having your friends record their times with you as they "sign" your yearbook! The spring release also gives families the opportunity to create "Senior Baby Ads" - that's right; you can purchase space in the book to commemorate this special time for our seniors. You provide us with the information and pictures you want published and we create the layout for you. The cost is \$140 for half a page and \$280 for a full page - remember, the entire book is in color, including your ad!!

You can get an order form on our website, in the office or in Room 1125. Bring the order form, pictures to be included in the ad, a self-addressed envelope (to return the pictures) and the receipt of payment from the office to Amy Osborn (Room 2204) before February 1, 2012.

Third - The 2012 Yearbook goes on sale on October 10 until October 21. The cost for the spring delivery, all color book is \$50. If you order after October 21, the price goes up to \$55.

We hope this information is helpful. If you require any more information you may contact Amy Osborn, Yearbook Advisor at osborna@wvwsd208.org.

FOOD—Did you know you can track what food your kids are buying? A great benefit for WVSD parents is the ability to track their kid's food purchases made during meals (although this does not include purchases from student stores, ASB, PTA events, or vending). By accessing the website www.mynutrikids.com, and setting up an account, parents can easily track what their kids are buying. These purchases may include breakfast, lunch, or items sold outside of the regular meals (a la carte items), which have additional cost. To check to see how often your child selects these items, it is necessary to sign up for a My NutriKids account. To reach this site conveniently, you can go to the West Valley School District site at <http://www.wvsd208.org>. Select the Departments tab on the left side of the WVSD site and click on Child Nutrition. From this site, click on the My NutriKids.com icon in the center of the screen. Once on this site, you can open a new account by filling out a short information form and selecting a password. To begin tracking your child's purchases, go to the My Kids page, select add a child and add your child using their 7 digit lunch ID number. You can ask your child for this number. It is the number your child uses every day for meal purchases and at the library. Once your child is added, the name will appear when you click on the MyKids tab at the top of the page. To view the food purchase history, select the transaction history button. It may take a day or two for transaction history to be loaded, so expect to have to return to the site a day or two later to see the purchase history.



**COMMUNICATION
IS KEY**

Student Information

Family Access—

If you have forgotten your login and/or password and can't retrieve it via Family Access, please contact one of the following:

Email: famlyaccess@wvsd208.org

Family Access Coordinator:

Mary Ann Perri (509) 972-5909

Please update your student's information . . . Did

you move? Did you disconnect your home phone? Do you have a new work phone number? Do you have a new cell phone number? It is important we know how to reach you: Please update the new information through Family Access or call Lori Jones, Registrar (509) 972-5924 or email jonesl@wvsd208.org

For the most up-to-date information regarding academics, sports and activities, please visit the West Valley High School website:

www.wvsd208.org/hs

FREE MONEY POSSIBILITIES!

Do you know that the counseling office publishes a monthly Scholarship Bulletin? There are several local scholarship opportunities at this time. Be sure and pick up your copy!

CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM MESSAGE

This year, VISA and debit deposits for lunch accounts will be processed exclusively online through www.mynutrikids.com. We are transitioning away from in-office (call in) deposits. The website is very user friendly—all you will need is your child's student ID# to set up an account. In addition to deposits, the website allows parents to look up balances and track student's meal purchases. Please call the Child Nutrition office at 972-6040 or 972-6048—we are happy to help if you have any questions.

MUSIC & ARTS

FIND YOUR VOICE

Congratulations to the West Valley High School Ram Marching Band for a successful fall marching season.

The band placed 1st at the Yakima Sun-fair Parade (AAA), 8th overall at the Cavalcade of Bands, and 2nd place in the AAA-small division at the Yakima Harvest Marching Festival (5th overall).

The band's last marching competition is Saturday, October 22nd in Everett.

Mark your calendar

The Annual Jazz Dance and Dessert is Saturday, December 10th at 7:00pm in the commons. Plan to come out for some great jazz, dancing, and food.
See you there!

West Valley Special Olympics Sets the Standard —

Teachers and Administrators from Eisenhower, Grandview, Cle Elum, and Mt. Adams have been observing WV's Special Olympics Program this Fall, using our program as a model to start similar programs in their schools. As a result of the new Special Olympics programs in the Yakima Valley there will be the first ever Special Olympics-Yakima Valley Schools Bowling Tournament on October 26th at Nob Hill Lanes.



This Spring WVHS will host the first ever Special Olympics-Yakima Valley Track Meet.

IMPORTANT DATES

For complete information regarding activities and athletics please see the
West Valley High School website.

- Oct 22 ACT Testing - WVHS 7:30 am
- Oct 24 Community Forum re: 2A/3A Classification - WVHS Room 1245 5:45 pm
School Board Meeting to follow the forum at 7:00 pm
- Oct 29 TWIRP Dance—Admission by ticket only— WVHS Commons 8:00—11:00 pm
- Nov 1 Western Washington University Visit—8:30 am in the HS counseling center
- Nov 1 Fall Choir Operetta “Trial by Jury” - HS Auditorium 7:00 pm
- Nov 2 National Honor Society Tapping Night HS Auditorium 6:30 pm
- Nov 2 Univ. of Puget Sound visit—9:35 in the HS counseling center
- Nov 3 Band Concert HS Auditorium 7:00 pm
- Nov 4 Mid Term
- Nov 7 Winter Sports Registration / Information Meeting WVHS Auditorium 6:30 pm
- Nov 7 Senior Pictures due for the Yearbook
- Nov 11 Veterans’ Day—No School
- Nov 14 School Board Meeting - WV Jr. High Library 6:30 pm
- Nov 15 Marching Band Awards Reception—7:00 pm HS Commons
- Nov 16 College Funding Seminar—6:30 pm HS commons
- Nov 23 No School
- Nov 24-25 Thanksgiving Holiday

Coming up . . .

DECEMBER 10

HOLIDAY MAGIC & JAZZ DANCE

