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# WEST VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL. . . .

### Notice for Directory Information (FERPA Notice)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that the West Valley School District, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, the West Valley School District may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with District procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the West Valley School District to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include:

- A playbill, showing your student's role in a drama production;
- The annual yearbook;
- Honor roll or other recognition lists;
- Graduation programs; and
- Sports activity sheets, such as for wrestling, showing weight and height of team members.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws require local educational agencies (LEAs) receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) to provide military recruiters, upon request, with three directory information categories - names, addresses and telephone listings - unless parents have advised the LEA that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior written consent.<sup>1</sup>

If you do not want the West Valley School District to disclose directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the District in writing by [insert date]. the West Valley School District has designated the following information as directory information:

- Student's name
- Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Address
- Telephone listing
- Weight and height of members of athletic teams
- Electronic mail address
- Photograph
- Degrees, honors, and awards received
- Date and place of birth
- Major field of study
- Dates of attendance
- Grade level
- The most recent educational agency or institution attended

### Footnotes:

<sup>1</sup>These laws are: Section 9528 of the ESEA (20 U.S.C. 7908), as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110), the education bill, and 10 U.S.C. 503, as amended by section 544, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (P.L. 107-107), the legislation that provides funding for the Nation's armed forces.

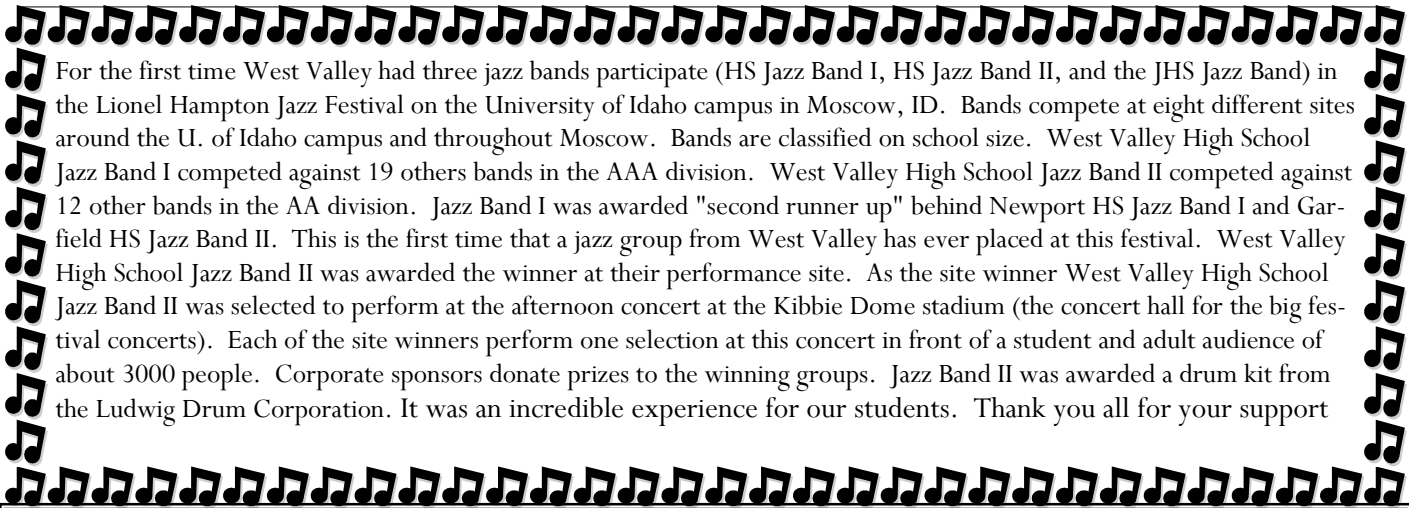
### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

- **Registrar:**  
Lori Jones 972-5924
- **Attendance:**  
Sandie Hennessy 972-5912
- **Counselors:**  
Bernie Snow A-Gq 972-5921  
Dawn Hester P-Z 972-5919  
Jan Chasse Gr-0 972-5920
- **Athletic Director**  
Joe Coscarart 972-5942
- **Activities Director**  
Craig Lacy 972-5933/972-5969
- **Info Line** 972-5915/ 972-6002
- **Transportation**  
966-2403
- **RAP Night School**  
Kristin Johnson 972-5941

Please make note of the above phone numbers to help alleviate the congestion coming

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For the first time West Valley had three jazz bands participate (HS Jazz Band I, HS Jazz Band II, and the JHS Jazz Band) in the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival on the University of Idaho campus in Moscow, ID. Bands compete at eight different sites around the U. of Idaho campus and throughout Moscow. Bands are classified on school size. West Valley High School Jazz Band I competed against 19 others bands in the AAA division. West Valley High School Jazz Band II competed against 12 other bands in the AA division. Jazz Band I was awarded "second runner up" behind Newport HS Jazz Band I and Garfield HS Jazz Band II. This is the first time that a jazz group from West Valley has ever placed at this festival. West Valley High School Jazz Band II was awarded the winner at their performance site. As the site winner West Valley High School Jazz Band II was selected to perform at the afternoon concert at the Kibbie Dome stadium (the concert hall for the big festival concerts). Each of the site winners perform one selection at this concert in front of a student and adult audience of about 3000 people. Corporate sponsors donate prizes to the winning groups. Jazz Band II was awarded a drum kit from the Ludwig Drum Corporation. It was an incredible experience for our students. Thank you all for your support

## 2006 POST-WASL CLASS SCHEDULES -- WEEK ONE

### WASL Post-Test Schedule for

#### MONDAY, MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>

Period 1	10:55–12:20 (85 min.) <b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>
Period 2	NONE
LUNCH	12:20–1:00 (40 min.)
Period 4	1:05–2:25 (80 min.)

### WASL Post-Test Schedule for

#### TUESDAY MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>

#### WASL

Period 3	10:55–12:20 (85 min.) <b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>
Period 2	NONE
LUNCH	12:20–1:00 (40 min.)
Period 5	1:05–2:25 (80 min.)

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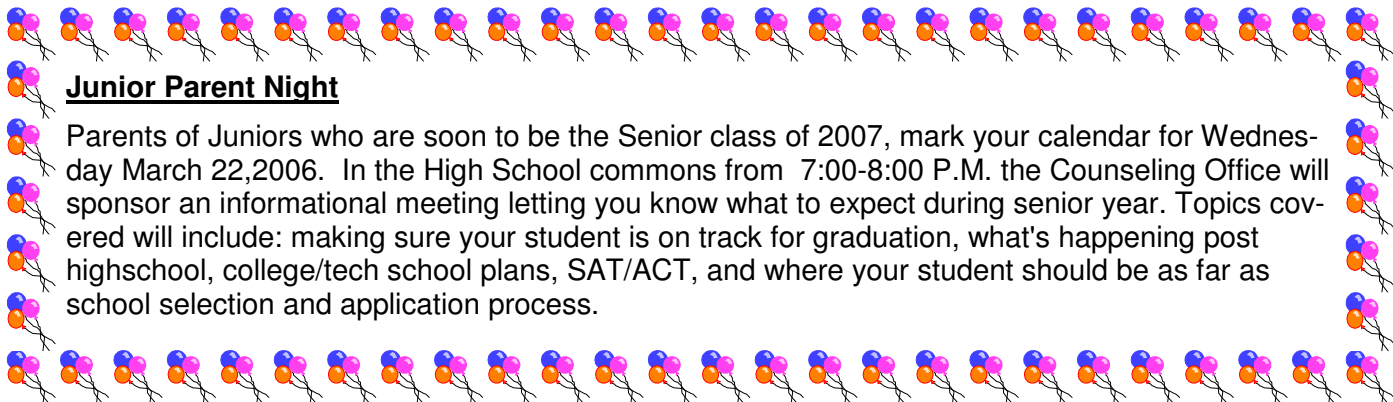
#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>

Period 1	10:55–12:20 (85 min.) <b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>
Period 2	NONE
LUNCH	12:20–1:00 (40 min.)
Period 4	1:05–2:25 (80 min.)

### WASL Post-Test Schedule for

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>

Period 3	10:55–12:20 (85 min.) <b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>
Period 2	NONE
LUNCH	12:20–1:00 (40 min.)
Period 5	1:05–2:25 (80 min.)



### Junior Parent Night

Parents of Juniors who are soon to be the Senior class of 2007, mark your calendar for Wednesday March 22, 2006. In the High School commons from 7:00-8:00 P.M. the Counseling Office will sponsor an informational meeting letting you know what to expect during senior year. Topics covered will include: making sure your student is on track for graduation, what's happening post highschool, college/tech school plans, SAT/ACT, and where your student should be as far as school selection and application process.

**Important Dates to Remember!!!! Please visit our Website for up to date information [www.wvsd208.org/hs](http://www.wvsd208.org/hs)**

- March 13-17 WASL Testing Week 1  
School for Junior and Senior's 10:50 am—2:25 pm  
Senior Exit Projects 7:50am—10:50 am
- March 14 & 15 ASVAB Testing for Juniors 7:50 am—10:50 am
- March 17 Baseball Vs Bellingham 3:30 pm  
Boys Golf at the Dalles  
Girls Golf at Richland  
Tennis At Davis
- March 18 Boys Soccer Vs Kennewick 11:00 am  
Choir Song Fest at Capital Theatre
- March 23 Davis Track Invite
- March 25 West Valley RAM Track Invite  
Drill Team State @ Sun Dome
- March 28 West Valley Bond Committee Meeting
- March 28 ASB Election Assembly
- March 29 Honor Society Blood Drive
- March 30 ASB Elections during RAM Prep
- March 31-April 1 Early Release 11:00 am
- April 3– April 7 Spring Break NO SCHOOL
- April 18-21 WASL Testing Week 2 7:50 am-10:50 am  
Senior Exit Projects

ACT TEST DATE: June 10th...registration deadline May 5  
SAT TEST DATES: May 6th...registration deadline April 3  
June 3...registration deadline April 28th



**Red Cross / Honor Society SPRING BLOOD DRIVE**



The West Valley High School chapter of the National Honor Society is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Wednesday, March 29, from 9:00 AM to

2:00 PM, in the practice gym at West Valley High School. Our goal is to get 105 units of blood! Those wishing to give blood can arrange an appointment by calling or emailing chapter advisor Ron Bergevin and leaving a message containing their name and the time they wish to come in. The phone number is 972-5935. The email address is [bergevinr@wvsd208.org](mailto:bergevinr@wvsd208.org).

**KNOWLEDGE BOWL REGIONALS—WV IS THREE FOR THREE**

Congratulations to the West Valley High School Knowledge Bowl team! Knowledge Bowl is in only its third year of existence in Central Washington, and for the third year in a row, WVHS won the 3A Regional Championship for ESD 105 at the Regional meet held at Davis High School on February 27, 2006. Like the previous years, the Rams posted the highest point total of all schools in all classifications. The team is made up of seniors Tiffany Bradley, Kay Howell, Kristin Copeland, Caitlin Richardson, Conor Town and junior Kris Riedman. They will compete at the State Meet at Camas High School on March 25, 2006.

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Attention all incoming 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade football players and parents.

Please plan on attending our spring/summer informational meeting Sunday, March 19th, 2006, @ 3:30 P.M. at West Valley High School, in the Commons area.

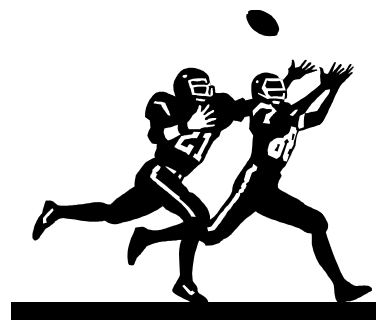
We will be discussing a variety of spring and summer football events planned for the 2006 football year including, but not limited to the following:

- 2006 Football Team Camp @ Eastern Washington University (June 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>)
- 2006 Lift-A-Thon.
- Summer Speed Training.
- Summer Passing Competitions.

Spring/Summer Booster Club Activities.

Have a question? Call the following parent representatives as follows:

- \* 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - Mark & Stephanie Clark - 966-3632
- \* 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Mike & Bobbi Fuerst, 965-6262
- \* 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – Joe & Julie Wallace, 965-1829
- \* 11<sup>th</sup> Grade – Richard & Samantha Hassett, 966-7518
- \* 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Gary & JoAnn Jennings, 965-5771



If you know Cindy Peterson, you've been blessed. If you don't know her, ask and you'll hear a story of grace, giving, strength, and inspiration.

Cindy has been a West Valley community member for over 25 years. Her children went to Summitview, the Junior High, and graduated from West Valley High School. She has also been a faithful WV employee, working at Wide Hollow, Mountainview, the Kindergarten Center, and most recently as secretary at Cottonwood since it opened in 1993.

Cindy recently retired due to health circumstances. The Cottonwood Staff, though West Valley Dollars for Scholars, has initiated a scholarship in her honor. The scholarship would be awarded this spring to a West Valley graduating senior who attended Cottonwood Elementary. With enough donations this scholarship could be awarded every year.

If you are interested in contributing to this scholarship fund in Cindy's honor please send your donation to:

Karen Hauser, Treasurer  
 West Valley Dollars for Scholars  
 311 North 99<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
 Yakima, WA 98908

Make checks payable to: West Valley Dollars for Scholars  
 Please note your donation is for Cindy Peterson



## CLASS OF 2006 GRADUATION INFORMATION

### •Tuesday, April 18<sup>TH</sup>:

Sr. Brunch/Baccalaureate/Graduation SPEAKER Tryouts, 8:15 am- 10:15 am (during WASL week, plan accordingly).

### •Thursday, April 20<sup>TH</sup>:

Sr. Brunch/Baccalaureate/Graduation MUSIC (including for national anthem) Tryouts in the Choir Rm., 8:15 am- 10:15 am (during WASL week, plan accordingly).

### •Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>:

Cap/Gown/Graduation Announcement Distribution Day, 11:45 am, Commons

### Senior Week:

#### •Tuesday June 6<sup>TH</sup>:

7:50 a.m.-2:25 pm: Periods 1-5 Regular Classes, *FINALS* in 3 & 5

#### •Wednesday, June 7<sup>TH</sup>

7:50-9:08 am: 1st Period *Final* & Checkout

9:13-9:46 am: 2nd Period Class & Checkout

9:51-11:09 pm: 3rd Period Class & Checkout

11:14-12:32 pm OR 11:44-1:02 pm: 4th Period *Final* & Checkout

1:02-1:10 pm: 5th Period Checkout (bring slip to gym)

1:10-1:15 pm: Arrive at gym & turn in checkout sheet

1:15-2:15 pm: Graduation marching practice in gym (**REQUIRED**)

#### •Thursday, June 8<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 p.m.: Baccalaureate (optional) @ Holy Family Church, 56th and Tieton Dr.

Arrive by 6:45 pm for line-up. Wear gown (DON'T WEAR CAP/TASSEL/STOLE)

#### •Friday, June 10<sup>TH</sup>

9 a.m.-11:30: Sr. Awards Brunch @ Yakima Convention Center

(\$12 for students, \$15 for adults, parents welcome!)

(Tickets on sale in May 15-June 2nd ONLY)

2:00-4:00 p.m.: Dress rehearsal (**REQUIRED**) @ SunDome (Fair Ave/Nob Hill)

Class & Individual pictures. Bring caps, gowns, tassels, stoles, honor cords!!!

Bring picture envelope (distributed at practice on June 7<sup>th</sup>) with \$\$.

7 p.m.: Commencement @ SunDome (Arrive by 6:30 for line-up...plan for traffic tie-ups around Dome)

**After Graduation:** Senior Party (Sponsored by Senior Parents)

### DRESS

The Awards Brunch is a dress-up occasion. Girls are expected to wear dresses/skirts or dress slacks; boys attired in slacks and dress shirts. Commencement is a formal event. Girls wear dresses/skirts or dress slacks and shoes. Boys wear dress shirts with or without ties, slacks, and shoes under their gowns. The cap & gown cannot be decorated tape or other materials. No dark glasses.

### BEHAVIOR

Although this is an occasion to celebrate, it is also a dignified event, a time of pride for our families and friends. The behaviors of a few seniors can cause embarrassment for classmates, family members, and the individual involved. To prevent that from happening, be advised that anyone who is presumed to be under the influence of alcohol/other drugs will not be permitted to take part in the ceremonies. Also throwing, spraying, or batting of any objects during the ceremony will not be tolerated. Those engaging in such activities during the ceremony will be escorted off of the main floor. **THE OFFICIALS AT THE SunDome HAVE ASKED US TO REMIND YOU THAT THERE ARE TO BE NO BALLOONS IN THE BUILDING...They will be confiscated at the door.**

### SEATING/TICKETS

Admission into this year's commencement exercises in the SunDome will be by ticket only! Tickets will be available in the commons before/after school and during lunches May 15-19 and each senior will receive 6 tickets. Anyone needing more can sign up on the waiting list and the remaining tickets will be divided equally and distributed by Tuesday, MAY 30th before/ after school and during lunches. Those who know that they will not need 6 are encouraged to share their tickets with their classmates or only take what's needed. If you have guests who are in wheelchairs, they may ask the ushers to help them with special seating. Please remind your guests ahead of time that they should remain outside of the roped off area and in their seats during the ceremony. **YOU MAY NOT SAVE SEATS OTHER THAN HANDICAPPED SEATING.**

### PICTURES

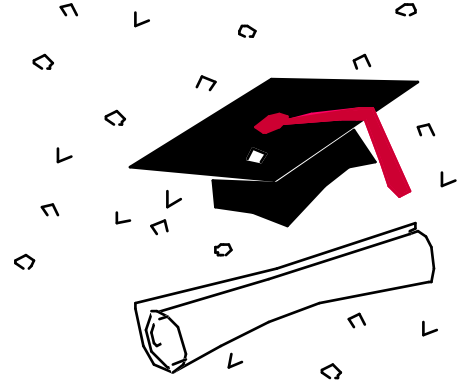
Dorian Photography will be on hand during dress rehearsal to take a group photo of the Class of 2006 and to take individual stills of you receiving your diploma. The individual stills will be taken in the afternoon, **NOT DURING THE CEREMONY**, so be sure to bring your caps and gowns. This will enable us to speed up the commencement ceremony. Information about purchasing pictures will come to your home shortly after graduation. The cost depends on the package you choose.

### PARKING

Parking at the SunDome is free to you and your guests. **DO NOT** leave your car at the SunDome while on the Senior Parent sponsored trip. Any vehicles left at the dome will be towed away!

### ACADEMIC REMINDERS:

All day traditionally scheduled seniors who expect to participate in commencement must have completed all coursework by the time 5th period is excused on Wednesday, June 7th, or in the case of RAP/Contracted Learners, by the end of the day on Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. There will be no exceptions to admitting last minute work so that you can graduate!



If any one has any old cook books that they want to recycle, please bring them to Mrs. Anson'. She would greatly appreciate them for her Culinary Essentials Class that she will be teaching third trimester. Thank you.

## WVSD

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Yakima, WA 98908  
Phone: 509-972-5900  
Fax: 509-972-5901

Just a Reminder that yearbooks will be on sale again BEFORE SCHOOL AND DURING BOTH LUNCHESES January 31—February 11. Please have your student make arrangements to buy their yearbooks during these times. NO MONEY will be taken after 1:00pm. If you student leaves campus during lunch, please encourage them to make a wise decision to stay on campus at least one day in order to buy theirs.



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WE'RE ON THE WEB!!!

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