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**Upcoming Events:**

<b>February 25th</b>	<b><a href="#"><u>ACT Practice Test</u></a>, 9am - 1pm in room Q201/203</b>
<b>March 1st</b>	<b>RESCHEDULED - Senior Panoramic Photo, 8:15 a.m. - Stadium</b>
<b>March 3rd</b>	<b>Principal's Coffee - hear the latest of school news, 9:00 a.m. in Lab B</b>
<b>March 3rd</b>	<b>Spring Semi-Formal Dance, tickets go on sale 2/21-3/3</b>
<b>March 4th</b>	<b><a href="#"><u>AV Crab Grab &amp; Auction</u></a></b>
<b>March 8th</b>	<b>English Language Advisory Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m. in H-4</b>
<b>March 14th</b>	<b>ACT Practice Results, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the AVHS Library</b>
<b>March 21st</b>	<b>PTSA General Member Meeting, 7pm in I-6</b>
<b>March 25th</b>	<b>AVHS Community Music Festival</b>
<b>March 28th</b>	<b>CAASPP Science Testing for Sophomores only</b>

**March 30th** [PTSA Scholarship forms due](#)

**April 23rd** [PPIE Run for Education](#)

**May 1st-19th** **CAASPP English Language Arts and Math for Juniors only**

**May 18th** **Principal's Dessert Reception for incoming 9th grade parents, 6:00 p.m. in the AVHS Library**

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## AMADOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Amador Students and Families-

Please read the [attached letter](#). The purpose of this letter is to update you on our progress towards implementing a [bell schedule change](#) for the 2017-2018 school-year.

Thank you,

Mike Williams  
Principal

***Come to the March 3rd Principal's Coffee at 9 a.m. to learn more or ask questions.***



### **Senior Service Hours:**

Senior Service Hours for the class of 2017 are due no later than **April 25, 2017**. Hours not completed will impact involvement in Senior activities such as Senior Ball ticket purchase and attendance, Graduation ticket distribution, and participation in the Graduation ceremony. Please refer to this list of [Service Opportunities Available NOW](#) for upcoming events available to students.

### **English Language Advisory Committee:**

The next meeting of the AVHS English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) will be Wednesday, **March 8 at 6:30 p.m. in room H-4**. All parents of English language learners are encouraged to attend. Students are welcome and refreshments will be provided.

### **Senior Panoramic Picture (NEW DATE)**

Wednesday, **March 1 at 8:15AM - Stadium**. To [purchase the panoramic picture](#) please go to this link: <https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000506355#login>

### **Spring Dance**

Amador Valley will be having a Spring Semi Formal on **Friday, March 3rd, 2017**. **Ticket sales start February 21st and go through March 3rd**. The first week (2/21 - 2/24) tickets are \$15 with ASB and \$20 without. The second week (2/27 - 1/3) tickets are \$25 with ASB, \$30 without, \$40 at the door. Outside guests are welcome!



## California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) Testing Dates:

- Science for Sophomores only - March 28, 2017
- English Language Arts and Math for Juniors only - May 1 - 19, 2017

*Schedule and testing details coming soon. Juniors will be contacted through your student email regarding details about the math portion.*



## COUNSELOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Parents/guardians will receive a letter confirming the student's course requests for the '17/'18 school year. Please notify the student's counselor by **March 30** of any errors in the selections. (More details will be included in the letter).

Counselors will be mailing home recommendations for **summer school**. Please secure a summer school spot by turning in your registration to your counselor by **May 19**.

Check the Scholarship list on Naviance regularly, and if you find one that needs a school nomination, let your counselor know two weeks before the nomination deadline.

Counselor presentations to students occurred for current freshmen on Feb. 2 and 3 during their Health or Global Studies class; current sophomores on Feb. 7 & 9 during their World History classes; current juniors on Feb. 28 and March 2 during their US History classes. These presentations will include help with course selection, four-year planning, and each grade level's Naviance lesson.

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## Excellence in Education Awards



We invite you to nominate an Amador teacher or staff member for the 2017 Excellence in Education Awards Program.

To nominate someone, submit the [nomination form](#) along with your nomination letter to [excellence@pleasantonpta.org](mailto:excellence@pleasantonpta.org). **Nominations are due by 4 pm on Friday, March 17, 2017.**

The awards ceremony will be held the evening of Monday, May 15, at Trinity Lutheran Church (1225 Hopyard Road). [More info: http://www.pleasantonpta.org/programs/excellence-in-education](http://www.pleasantonpta.org/programs/excellence-in-education).

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## ACT Practice at Amador, February 25 & Results on March

## ACT Practice Test

Gain experience by taking a full practice test proctored under real test conditions. Your score will not go on record! Plus you will receive a full diagnostic information provided by C2 Education, so you can have the edge you need to fully prepare and take the real test with confidence. Sign up now! Limited seats.

Date: **Saturday, February 25th, 2017**

Time: 9am-1pm

Location: Amador Valley High School, room Q201/203

Cost: \$25

*Parents and students are invited to pick up test results and attend the **Results Night** in the AVHS Library.*

Date: **Tuesday, March 14th, 2017**

Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm

**\*Please bring 2 sharpened #2 pencils and a calculator!**

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### 02/25/17 MOCK ACT

Please fill out this form and return it along with \$25 cash or check to SAT/ACT signup box next to the counseling desk. **All checks should be made to AVHS PTSA.** All proceeds benefit Amador Valley High School PTSA.

Email [avhs.testprep@gmail.com](mailto:avhs.testprep@gmail.com) with any questions.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

[Click to download full flyer and active links.](#)

## PTSA Nominating Committee

The Amador PTSA Nominating Committee is beginning its work to identify officers for the 2017-2018 Executive Board. The chair of the nominating committee is Kelly Bayani.

The term for every office is 1 year, and no officer may hold the same position



PTSA NOMINATING COMMITTEE – PLEASE CONSIDER NOMINATING SOMEONE OR YOURSELF...

for more than two years. The offices that the Nominating Committee fills are: President, VP of Membership, VP of Communications, Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor.

Please take a few minutes to think of a fellow parent, teacher, staff member, or student who you could nominate to serve the PTSA in some way! It is always flattering to be nominated, even if the nominee later turns down

the nomination. It is also OK to self-nominate if you are interested in learning more about a particular role. *Keep in mind that PTSA is not just for women -- fathers as well as mothers are invited to serve in leadership roles.* Teachers, staff, and yes, even students can fill these roles!

Kelly Bayani's email is [auditor@amadorptsa.com](mailto:auditor@amadorptsa.com). The Nominating Committee officially concludes its work by Tuesday, March 21, so please nominate someone soon!

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## PTSA Scholarships Available - Due March 30th



The 2017 AVHS PTSA scholarship applications are now available. AVHS PTSA has **2 scholarship programs** and typically awards \$500 scholarships to students who have demonstrated outstanding community service and to students who are exceptionally well rounded. These *students need to have been PTSA members their junior and senior years*. If you qualify please apply. Last year, over one-third of the applicants received a scholarship. Applications are available on the Naviance website. **The deadline to apply is March 30th at 3:00 P.M. No late applications will be accepted, so don't delay, submit today!!**

[Community Service Scholarship Application](#)

[Academic Scholarship Application](#)

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## PPIE Run for Education, April 23rd

If you have ever thought about running a 5k, 10K, or 15K or if you want your kids to burn off some excess energy, join us on April 23, 2017 for the Pleasanton Run for Education. **All proceeds benefit PPIE** (Pleasanton





Partnerships in Education).

***There is a competition among PUSD schools to see who can generate the most participants and we want Amador Valley to come out on top!*** The winning school will receive the Spirit Trophy at the award ceremonies so sign up and show your Amador Dons pride. Last year this event raised almost \$100,000 to support critical programs for our students. **Register at [www.ppierun.com](http://www.ppierun.com) by March 20 to get a reduced price.**

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## Dons Spirit Wear for Spring

What better way to show your Don's spirit than by wearing a comfy Amador hoodie or a pair of Amador PJ pants! We also have long sleeve T's and cozy socks too, plus other items such as T-Shirts & tanks in various sizes and of course Amador colors!

***Remember, spirit wear makes a great gift for your Don or your incoming 8th grader!*** You can get spirit wear at the Activities Desk or through your spirit wear chairperson, [Laura Harris](mailto:spiritwear@amadorptsa.com), ([spiritwear@amadorptsa.com](mailto:spiritwear@amadorptsa.com)) Feel free to contact Laura for details on sizes, costs and availability.

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