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Upcoming Events:

March 17th

ACE Code Day, 2-7:30 p.m.

March 19th	<u>PTSA Scholarship Applications Due</u>
March 19th	Grad Night Meeting, I-6 7:15-8:15 pm
March 21st	<u>Senior Panoramic Picture</u> , taken during Access period
March 21st	Non-PUSD Course Community Engagement event, 9:00 a.m., Foothill HS MPR
March 21st	PTSA Association Meeting, 7:00 pm, I-1
March 22nd	Non-PUSD Course Community Engagement event, 7:00 p.m., AVHS Library
March 24th	Junior Prom
March 27th	Diploma change information due to Office
March 27th	<u>Youth in Government Day</u>
March 27th	Senior Parent Informational Meeting, AV Library, 7:15-8:15 pm
March 28th	<u>Lets Address Stress</u> , 7-8:30pm, Pleasanton Library
March 28th	AVHS Band Night of Drums and Dance, 7-9pm Large Gym
March 28th	<u>When Your Child Leaves Home</u> , 7-8pm, AVHS Library
March 28th	<u>SAT II Math Mock Test + Review Session</u> , 6:30-8:30 pm, FHS B-26
March 31st	<u>Early Bird Discount Tickets</u> for Graduation Night and Senior Ball Breakfast Tickets or Baccalaureate Tickets <u>volunteer Signups</u>
April 2nd-6th	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
April 9th - 20th	CAASPP Testing for Juniors
April 15th	<u>Paint Nite Fundraiser</u> for AV Class 2020, On the Boarder, Dublin, 6pm
April 19th	AVHS Band Spring Concert
April 20th	<u>Senior Collages Due</u>
April 22nd	<u>Outstanding High School Coach nominations</u> of the Year due
April 27-29th	<u>CA State PTA Annual Convention</u> , Ontario, CA
May 7 - 18th	AP Testing
May 13th	<u>Photo for Baccalaureate Due</u>
May 16th	PTSA Association Meeting, 7 pm, location TBD
May 19th	Senior Ball
May 24th	<u>Tri-Valley Sports Final Outstanding Athletic Awards</u>
May 28th	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
June 1st	Graduation, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., AVHS Stadium



Upcoming Important Dates:

- **ATTENTION JUNIORS:** California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) testing window is from April 9-20.
- **ATTENTION SENIORS:** Diploma Change Forms due to Mrs. Stephenson in the office on March 27



Senior Panoramic Picture (web link)

The Senior Panoramic Picture will be taken on **Wednesday, March 21** during **ACCESS period**. Seniors should refer to the [link](#) above for details and check their PUSD email for rain contingency updates.



AP Exam Information (web link)

Please refer to the above link for the [College Board AP Exam Schedule](#), the [AP Course Finals Schedule](#), and other important information related to AP exams.



CAASPP Testing Schedule

CAASPP Testing Schedule:

WEDNESDAY - 4/11/18 4/18/18		Thursday - 4/12/18 4/19/18	
Collaboration	8:00 – 8:45 a.m.	A°	7:00 – 8:45 a.m.
1°	8:50 – 10:20 a.m.	2°	8:50 – 10:20 a.m.
ACCESS	10:26 – 11:06 a.m.	ACCESS	10:26 – 11:06 a.m.
Brunch	11:06 – 11:15 a.m.	Brunch	11:06 – 11:15 a.m.
3°	11:21 – 12:51 p.m.	4°	11:21 – 12:51 p.m.
Lunch	12:51 – 1:25 p.m.	Lunch	12:51 – 1:25 p.m.
5°	1:31 – 3:01 p.m.	6°	1:31 – 3:01 p.m.

* Students will be testing during their scheduled Math and English classes with the exception of the Math Performance Task (PT). Math PT will be administered during ACCESS on April 18th and 19th*



2018 Commencement

Class of 2018 Commencement
Friday, June 1, 2018
7:30pm - 9:30pm
AVHS Stadium

Please refer to the Senior NEwsletter for more details.

**To make a voluntary donation toward the Graduation Ceremony,
please visit the [AVHS Webstore link](#).
Thank you for your contribution!**

Diploma Names:

Student names on diplomas will include the student's first, middle, and last name as it appears in Q. If you would like your name printed other than how it appears on the **Q Demographics page**, you must see Mrs. Stephenson in the main office to complete a Diploma Change Form.

Diploma Change Forms are due on **March 27th**.

Diploma Presenters:

In May, students will have the opportunity to select their diploma presenters (from a list of current Amador staff only). Please look for an email from administration at that time.



Updates from the AV Counseling Office

Upcoming Access Presentations and Workshops:

- March 21: Junior Presentations for alpha **Lin-Per** and **Pes-S**
 - **(Mrs. Bell & Mrs. Zarrinkhat) ***
- March 22: Junior Presentations for alpha **Con-Her** and **Hes-Lim**
 - **(Ms. Walker & Ms. Pacheco) ***

*** Please note, the junior presentations are required on the student's assigned day.**

- April 12: "Finding Fit"
- May 10: "Transition to College"

Summer School 2018:

Summer school applications will be available on April 9, and they are due on May 17. If summer school is needed, students will receive a letter from their counselor indicating course suggestions.

Remember to give your teachers and your counselor AT LEAST two weeks notice (of business/school days) for a letter of recommendation.

- [AV Guidance Counseling alphabetical breakdown Information](#)
- [AV Counselor contact listing](#)



After School Tutoring Available

[Amador's Academic Assistance Program](#) is designed to provide students with additional support after school in the following core academic subject areas: **Math** (up to Pre-Calculus), **Science** (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics), **English** and **History** (general support in college prep courses). Tutoring is held **Monday through Thursday until 4:00 p.m.** in the Amador Library. Tutors include teachers and peer tutors.



AVID Info/Resources

The [AVID team](#) at Amador Valley wants to share monthly [tips and strategies](#) that are good for ALL students. Check back each month to see what is new! [MARCH POSTED](#)



Non-PUSD Course Community Engagement Events

PUSD is hosting two community engagement opportunities for parents/guardians to learn more about the practice of Non-PUSD courses in the District. Administration and Counseling Staff from Foothill and Amador will be present to share information and listen to input from families. We invite you to attend one of two forums:

- **Wednesday, March 21st at 9:00am in the Foothill High School Multi-Purpose Room**

or

- **Thursday, March 22nd at 7:00pm in the Amador Valley High School Library**

We look forward to speaking with you!



District Seeking Input on Math Survey

The District is seeking input on how to best support student success in mathematics. Please take a few minutes to fill out this [electronic survey](#) and provide your feedback! The survey will close on March 31.



AV Quick Links

- [Class of 2018 Senior Service Information](#)
- [Access Bell Schedule & FAQ](#)
- [From the Principal's Desk Video links](#) (*check right side for links*)



LET'S ADDRESS STRESS, March 28th

[Let's Address Stress](#) - Join us for the next Community Education Series event, on March 28, which will include a speaker and panel discussion on how to help students reduce and manage stress.

WHEN: **Wednesday, March 28**

TIME: **7:00-8:30 pm**

LET'S ADDRESS STRESS

The City of Pleasanton
COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES

Presented by:
 SIAC (Student Inter-Schools Council)
 City of Pleasanton Youth Commission

- Join us for a panel discussion about how to identify and help students manage stress.
- Special Guest Speaker will talk about ways to help students minimize and manage stress.
- Panelists to include PUSD high school students and PUSD alumni.

FREE Registration
 Course 6700
www.pleasantonfun.com

03.28.18 PLEASANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
 400 OLD BERNAL AVENUE
 7:00PM TO 8:30PM

Pleasanton Unified School District THE CITY OF PLEASANTON Pleasanton Council
PTA
everychild.onevoice.

WHERE: Pleasanton Library

HOW: Register at www.pleasantonfun.com
 Course 6700

COST: FREE REGISTRATION

Presented by SIAC (Student Inter-Schools Council) & City of Pleasanton Youth Commission.

SLATE OF NOMINATIONS FOR PTSA BOARD



The Nominating Committee of Amador Valley High School PTSA would like to present the following nominations for the 2018-2019 PTSA Board:

President - **Robin Diaz**

1st Vice President, Membership - **Soojin Hwang**

2nd Vice President, Communications - **Adriana Araujo**

Secretary - **Monica McCarthy**

Treasurer - **Dee Dee Curry**

Financial Secretary - **Shawn Copenhagen**

Auditor - **Maya Balyasny**

Historian - **Sandy Piderit**

Nominations will also be taken from the floor during our March General PTSA Meeting (March 21st, 2018). We still have many Chair positions as well if you are interested in being involved but not certain you want to hold a board position. Please contact the nominating committee at nominatingcommittee@amadorptsa.com.



NEW LINKS AVAILABLE - HELP A TEACHER TODAY!

Support our Amador Valley staff directly with various classroom needs. Check the [links to the departments](#) and click the staff name you wish to support. Thank you for supporting our Amazing AV Academic Team!

SENIOR PARENTS 2018 INFORMATION & DUE DATES



*Tickets for Grad Night (includes Senior Ball Breakfast) \$180 by 3/31/18, or \$200 on/after 4/1/18.

*Baccalaureate Tickets \$2.50 purchase online at <https://amador.futurefund.com/store/> or at Senior Parent meeting.

*Sign Ups for Senior Ball Breakfast & Grad Night: <http://signup.com/go/gaUWhSE>

* **Mar 19** Grad Nigh Meeting - AVHS Rm I-6 back parking lot 7:15-8:15 pm

* **April 20** Students 20 hours of service hours due for graduation

* **April 20** Senior Collages Due

* **May 13** Photo for Baccalaureate Due

* Gift Cards, Boxer Briefs, & Monetary donations for Ball Breakfast & Grad Night pls drop in boxes at Amador Office Activities Desk or bring to meetings

Information and questions answered at www.amadorseniorparents.org

WHEN YOUR CHILD LEAVES HOME, March 28, 7-8pm



Whether it's your first, middle or last child leaving, transitioning can be difficult. This interactive workshop, led by DVHS **Support Counselor Joe Ianora**, will focus on some of the **issues surrounding your child moving on** and **how to prepare for a successful transition** into a new family dynamic. During this hour-long workshop we will have an opportunity to share, discuss and prepare for transitions, which can include: **loss of purpose, anxiety, sadness/joy.**

Joe Ianora is a licensed therapist who has worked in secondary education for over 30 years. He is a former high school principal, a husband, and a parent of 3 children. **Register TODAY!** Event is Wednesday, March 28th from 7-8pm in the AVHS Library.

PPIE RUN FOR EDUCATION - April 15th



Early Bird Discounts End March 13th!

Register on or before March 12th to get a discount on your PPIE Race for Education entry. We look forward to walking, running or strolling together on April 15th to raise funds that support programs in ALL PUSD schools. You will not want to miss this year's race expo and run event. All runners receive a finishers medal and race shirt. Check out our [facebook page](#) to see the design for this year.

TRI-VALLEY OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC AWARDS



Did you have a high school Coach this academic year that made a difference in your sports training and will also have a positive impact on the rest of your life? Now you have a chance to thank that person by nominating him or her for the Tri-Valley Sports Final Outstanding High School Coach of the

Year Award.

This is the fourth year for the Coach of the Year Award. Last year's winner was volleyball coach Chris Kim from Amador Valley High School who was nominated by both students and parents for the work and inspiration he provided. [More information found on the Press Release.](#) **Nominations due April 22, 2018.**

AV SPIRIT WEAR AVAILABLE



Show your Amador Pride! AV Spirit Wear is available year round for purchase. There are Hoodies, Tees, Tanks, PJs & more available at our Spirit Store. Limited supply available at the activities desk in the office. Contact [Laura Harris](#) for a full selection of items or text your order to 925-989-6298. We can fill orders in one day!

**Spirit wear makes great gifts for current or incoming AV student!
Go Dons!**

TRIPLE AMAZON SMILE PROMOTION NOW TILL 3/31

Now your support goes 3 times as far

From Mar 12 – 31, Amazon will triple the donation rate to 1.5% on your first eligible purchase at smile.amazon.com.

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