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Important Information from Amador Valley High School via your PTSA.



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Important Dates

Sept 11th	Senior Parents Meeting
Sep 13th	Principal Meet and Greet - 6:30pm - 7:30pm @ MPR
Sep 18th	PTSA Association Meeting @ 7:00 PM
Sep 28th	Pigskin Festival
Oct 6th	Homecoming Dance

Meet & Greet with Principal Alberto Solorzano



PTSA will be hosting a Meet & Greet with Principal Alberto Solorzano on Thursday, September 13th from 6:30-7:30 PM in the Multi-purpose room at Amador Valley High School. Mr. Solorzano will be sharing information about the school focus for the 2018-2019 school year and upcoming events. Please stop by to say hello and share in refreshments.



Updates from the AV Counseling Office

Oct 9	UC/CSU College Presentation for students & parents
Oct 11	College Application Workshop for students
Oct 22	Tri-Valley College Fair
Nov 8	Financial Aid Night at Foothill
Nov 30	UC and CSU Applications due online

The AV Counseling Breakdown is as follows:

Alphabet Assignment	Counselor Name	Ext #	Email address
A - CL	Sari Haskell	6113	shaskell@pleasantonusd.net
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Pe - Sr	Audrey Zarrinkhat	6114	azarrinkhat@pleasantonusd.net
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Support Counselor	Jennifer Yu	6136	jennifer_yu@pleasantonusd.net
College & Career Counselor (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday)	Lara Bays	TBD	lbays@pleasantonusd.net



Student ID Cards and Makeup Photos

For student safety and security, Amador students must carry their AVHS ID cards daily. ID cards are used for ACCESS attendance admittance to school activities. If a student missed taking photos at registration, a temporary ID card should be obtained at the Activities Desk. Makeup photos will be taken on **September 26 from 7:30 am-1:30 pm.**



PUSD 1:1 Device Rollout

Orientation Activity

All 9th and 10th grade students must complete the following [Device Orientation Activity \(bit.ly/121orientation\)](http://bit.ly/121orientation) by Friday, September 30.

ChromeZone

For Tech Support with a school-issued device, our Site Tech Specialist Mr. Psaros will be available in the "ChromeZone" for drop-in help at Brunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays and by appointment per student need. The ChromeZone Tech Support Center is located around the corner from the Library in the J Building. Students needing to set up appointments for tech support should email Mr. Psaros, whose contact information is available at the Library Circulation counter and also at the front desk in the

Main Office.

Opting Out Parents/Guardians, if you wish to opt your student out of the 1:1 Device Program, please email your child's Vice Principal with the request and click here to update your [Preferences in Q](#).

Please click here for information about the [Student Device Initiative](#) and [here to review the Student Device Handbook](#).

Bell Schedule Adjustment for PSAT on October 10

To accommodate the October PSAT, our bell schedule for the week of October 8-12 has been adjusted. Please click here for the [PSAT Week Bell Schedule](#).

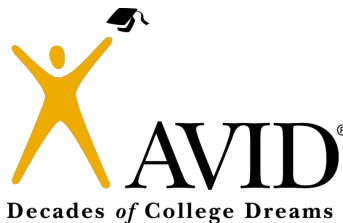
PLEASE NOTE, on Wednesday, October 10 students will attend school as follows:

- Students taking the PSAT: 7:15am-11:55am (students will remain at school after the exam for 1^o-6^o)
- ALL students: attend 1^o-6^o from 12:25pm-2:59pm
- The Wednesday ACCESS/Block schedule for that week has been shifted to Friday, October 12

Please let us know if you have questions and/or need additional information. We tremendously appreciate and value your ongoing support. Thank you.

Click here for [2018 PSAT/NMSQT Schedule](#)

AVID Newsletter - August 2018



The AVID team at Amador Valley wants to share monthly tips and strategies that are good for ALL students. This month: [Agenda How To's and Binder Essentials](#).

Seniors Ads



You can now order senior ads at [yearbookordercenter.com](#). When you go to the site, school number is **7188**, and you can purchase and create the ad there. The early deadline is October 5th (\$100). After that, the price increases to \$125, and the final deadline is November 9th. Please send questions to amadoryearbook@gmail.com. There are flyers available in the activities office also.



PARENTS OF SEN19RS

Come get info on all the SENIOR YEAR EVENTS Join us at our first meeting--

Tuesday, September 11 at 7pm in Amador Library

Don't miss out on important senior class announcements! Please visit the AVHS Senior Class Parents Website at www.amadorseniorparents.org or follow the link under the parent's section on the Amador Valley High School web page.

To keep up with all Senior class activities please sign up on the parent page to receive email updates. This will help to ensure that your Senior has a wonderful year! Any questions? Please email avhs2019seniorparents@gmail.com.



1) Mock SAT (sponsored by C2 Education) & Results Night

Practice your college entrance test taking skills with a full-length SAT practice test. Sign up by September 13th, limited seats.

Mock SAT Event

Location: Amador Valley HS, Room Q201/203

Date: Saturday, September 15th, 2018

Time: 9am -1pm (Check in starts at 8.30am)

Students should take a calculator, pencils, water and a snack with them on the test day. Parents will get a full report on their student's test results on the results night.

Results Night Event Location: Amador Valley HS, Library

Date: Wednesday, September 26th, 2018

Time: 6:30pm -7:30pm

2) SAT Essay Workshop (sponsored by C2 Education)

Need help writing essays for SAT Test? If so, participate in our SAT Essay Workshop. Sign up by September 17th, limited seats.

Location: Amador Valley High School, Library

Date: Wednesday, September 19th, 2018

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

AVHS PTSA has plan a number of College Preparatory Workshops throughout the 2018-2019 school year. Events are open to all students, regardless of the event location. For the upcoming events, click of the event name to download the flier with the event details and the application form.

*100% of the proceeds benefit Amador Valley High School.

AVHS/FHS College Prep Events 2018-2019

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT
Sat, Sep 15, 2018	9:00 am - 1:00pm	Mock SAT	AVHS Q201/203	C2
Wed, Sep 26, 2018	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Mock SAT results night	AVHS Library	C2
Wed, Sep 19, 2018	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	SAT Essay Workshop	AVHS Library	
Sat, Sep 29, 2018	8:45 am - 1:00 pm	SAT 2-Day Weekend Bootcamp	Foothill B-26	Catalyst
Sun, Sep 30, 2018	8:45 am - 1:00 pm	SAT 2-Day Weekend Bootcamp		
Sat, Nov 11, 2018	9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Mock SAT	Foothill B-26	C2
Wed, Nov 28, 2018	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Mock SAT results night	Foothill B-26	
Tue, Jan 29, 2019	6:30 pm - 8.00 pm	ACT Essay Workshop	Foothill B-26	EEC
Sat, Feb 23, 2019	9:00 am - 1:30 pm	SAT/ACT Combo Test	AVHS Q201/203	Kaplan
Tue, Mar 26, 2019	6:30 pm - 8.00 pm	SAT II Math Review	Foothill B-26	EEC

*For questions or to sign up for an event contact SAT/ACT Team: Betul Delibalta - sat-act1@amadorptsa.com

PTSA Grant Program 2018-2019

The PTSA offers grants to teachers and clubs to support and enhance the awesome learning environment at Amador. These grants are supplemental to any funds received from the District, AVHS, DonorsChoose and parents. They are meant to benefit as many Amador students as possible. We encourage all staff and student clubs to submit their application. If you are an advisor for a student club, please share the grant information with your club. To be considered for a grant, please complete this application. Grant applications for items already requested on sites like DonorsChoose will not be considered.

For more details on how to apply for grant click [here](#).
For grant application form, please click [here](#).

PTA Reflections: Heroes Around Me



All students are invited to enter their piece of artwork inspired by this year's theme, "**Heroes Around Me**". The **National PTA's Reflections** program encourages students to explore and become involved in the arts. The theme for the 2018-2019 school year is "**Heroes Around Me**".

For more information on participating in this program, click [here](#).

The program can't be done without an enthusiastic volunteer chair. If you are interested in, please contact Robin Dias-Magnano @ president@amadorptsa.com

September: Attendance Awareness Month

A student is considered chronically absent if they miss only two days of school per month (18 days in a year), whether the absences are excused or unexcused. (Link to share for more information in newsletter:

This week's theme: ABSENCES ADD UP!

If you think missing a day here or there won't matter, think again. By missing just one day every two weeks, or two days a month, you would be on track to miss 10 percent of the school year- and that can happen before you know it.

If you need help getting to school or you have other questions and concerns regarding attendance, please contact the Child Welfare and Attendance Specialists (CWAs) for your school site.

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[Introductory Letter from Student Services Department's Child Welfare and Attendance Specialists on Attendance Awareness Month](#)



The Amador Cheer clinic is coming up!

Space is starting to fill up so don't miss out.

The Amador Cheer youth clinic will be held on Sunday Sept 30th from 1pm-5pm. If your daughter or son is interested in joining us for the annual Amador Competition Cheer Team clinic, please mail check for \$50 made out to AVHS Boosters and clinic waiver form to Amador Cheer Youth clinic c/o Sherri Jacob 1576 Fairview Ct Pleasanton, Ca 94566 no later than Sept 26. If you have a special request (ie daughter wants to be in same group as friend), please add that to the form.

Kids will learn, cheers, dances, games and enjoy lunch with our competition cheerleaders. On game day October 11th, they will be invited to perform during the Freshman game! Our cheerleaders are looking forward to having your daughter/son at the clinic again this year! Please email sherrijacobrn@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.

PIGSKIN festival

Friday, September 28th



Teams and Clubs bring your Don spirit to this year's carnival.
Last day to register your booth is Monday, September 24th.



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Questions: Contact Nicole Jagoe: nbjagoe@gmail.com or Lara
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Amador Academic Assistance

Starts on September 5th, 2018

Where: Library Lab B

When: Mon - Thursday

After School until 4:00 pm.



Eager and qualified peer tutors are available to help you with all of your academic needs!

*Please join us **anytime** you need help with your schoolwork.*





Connecting with our Community

As your school district, we believe we can achieve more when we are connected and work together. To strengthen that connection, we'd like to invite all community members to join us at one (or more) of our new, quarterly meet and greet opportunities.

Learn more about PUSD and engage with District Leaders & School Board Trustees

Thursday, September 13, 6 - 7 p.m.
Fairlands Elementary School, Multipurpose room
4151 West Las Positas Boulevard, Pleasanton

Save the Date for Future Opportunities to Connect:
Tuesday, November 27, 6 - 7 p.m.
Tuesday, February 5, 6 - 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 30, 6 - 7 p.m.

Questions? Email pgannon@pleasantonusd.net or call (925) 426-4304



HELP AVHS STAFF!

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!

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