

VHS WEEKLY UPDATE



Ventura High School - 11/5/2021

CTE HIGHLIGHTS





TEACHER: TAYLOR KOESTER

Taylor Koester is our fantastic new dance teacher who has been long term subbing for Brittney Nevison-DeAlba in our CTE Commercial Dance program. She creates routines, techniques and more in CTE Advanced Dance, Pro Dance, and Intro to Professional Dance classes. Our dance and hip hop teams have participated in rallies, halftime shows and hosted Cougie Camp.

















STUDENT NEWS

Student Assistant Program available to students in need of counseling. See your counselor, teacher and/or administrator for support.

REMINDER! THE SOUTH SIDEWALK IS CLOSED FROM CATALINA TO THE WEST TACO BELL DRIVE WAY.

STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE HALL PASSES, ID'S, AND/OR SCHEDULES AVAILABLE FOR STAFF MONITORING ON CAMPUS.

Work Permits: Students have you renewed your work permit this year? If not, please stop by the Career Center to pick up an application.

SAP (STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

"Support Groups" will be offered at VHS beginning Thursday, 10/21/21. Invitations will be sent to some students. If other students are interested, please sign up in the SAP Office, room 41. Groups offered include:

Art with Heart for those dealing with anxiety, art can ignite healing powers; turning pain into possibility through drawing/coloring in personal sketch books; empowering students to work through their feelings, build resilience and see a future full of possibility via creative expression.

*Meetings on Monday during 4th or 6th period

Stress Management designed to help students with the stress they may be feeling about the Coronavirus; bring safety and balance to the body; calming the brain to bring normalcy on the inside regardless of what is going on, on the outside; help students to identify stress and its physical and emotional symptoms, how to identify stressful situations that are within/without our control and ways to manage stress through relaxation and deep breathing techniques.

*Meetings on Wednesday during 4th or 6th period.

Grief and Bereavement provides a safe, healing place to learn how to cope with grief, share stories, and to honor and remember the loved one.

*Meetings on Thursday during 4th or 6th period

Self-Compassion Circle will focus on the three components: Self-kindness: being kind and understanding to one's self in times of suffering, failure, or when feeling inadequate; Shared humanity: understanding that suffering and being imperfect are part of the shared human experience; Mindfulness: observing negative thoughts and emotions without judgment; coming to the realization that thoughts and emotions are not facts.

*Meetings on Tuesday during 4th or 6th period

CAMPUS ACCESS UPDATE:

Portable restrooms will be closed during nutrition & lunch. Please access 50/60 and 90/100's restrooms.
Portable area is off limits during nutrition & lunch, unless in a teacher classroom with supervision

Detention: Administration and attendance are issuing detention/Saturday School as needed due to attendance and behavior. Detention is held daily during lunch. Students are

provided lunch.

STUDENT STORE:

Hours

Open 7:45 A.M.-3:30 P.M. Includes: Nutrition Break and Lunch *(Closed 11:30 A.M. -12:30 P.M. & hours may vary depending on school wide events or athletics)*

*STUDENTS need ID for ALL transactions Please!

LET'S BE KIND COUGAR FAMILY!

Modeling behavior that displays treating others with dignity & respect, supports a safe and caring school environment. This is the "high expectation" for students, staff and parents.

MASKS: S

Masks are required for indoor events. If mask policy is not followed, attendees will be asked to leave the event. This requirement is in alignment to VCPH and district guidelines.

Social Media Outlets:

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Instagram: @venturahscougars
Twitter: @VHSVenturaHigh



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TUTORING IS AVAILABLE

The schedule is:

<u>Knowles:</u> Every Mon.-Fri.(Lunch): Core content for Special Ed Prgms.

Cougard: Every Thursday, Period 1 for French

 $\underline{\text{Maxwell:}}$ Every Tues./Thurs. (Lunch) & Wed. (6 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.)

for Science

Rivera: Every Mon.- Fri. (Lunch) for Math





BRING YOUR CHROMEBOOK TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY

VHS does not have one-day loan chromebooks for students who forget to bring their chromebooks to school, but students are welcome to come to the library and use one of the desktop computers. Just like textbooks, students are checked out one chromebook each.

We encourage teachers to let the front office staff know if they need additional devices so we can support our students with tech to access the curriculum.

COLLEGE & CAREER

There's been a couple updates. Here's the latest on the College Application Week:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/IF7qupIEABX_jYE6E1l4wwI4q7TfPMshSFfWkYrfw_uE/edit?usp=sharing

Please pick up your trash! Let's keep Cougar Country Clean!





TARDY SWEEPS:

Random Tardy Sweeps will begin in November

Tardy=Lunch Detention. We encourage all students to get to class early and be on time.

ATHLETICS





Varsity Boys Water Polo made it to the first round of CIF play earlier this week.

Girls Varsity Tennis won their first round match-up versus Ayala HS in CIF play to complete in the second round. Although falling short on Friday versus Whitney HS, both VHS teams had stellar seasons

Boys & Girls Cross Country raced in the PVL Finals on Friday with outstanding results! To wrap up the week was Varsity Football who won their CIF game to compete on Friday, Nov. 12 at home at 7 P.M.

ID PHOTOS



Students who have lost their IDs or never took their ID photo are welcome to come to the front office and get a new one in our attendance office. Students Monarch photos are in as well. Pick them up at the attendance windows during school hours.

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DATES:

November 20 December 11 January 22 February 26 March 26 April 23 May 21

COURSE LEVEL CHANGE DEADLINE IS 11/8/21

A course level change is for CP, Honors and AP skill adjustments.

FALL PLAY: A WRINKLE IN TIME

WILL TAKE THE MAIN STAGE STARTING ON NOV. 10TH AT 7 P.M.





