

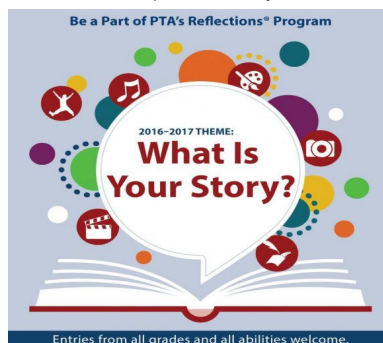
# POINTER UPDATE

December 2, 2016



## Important News:

- Please click the following links to take a survey about our school:
  - Parent Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QYMLZXH>
  - Student Survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L9FCKQ3>
- The VBHS Art Club will have artworks for sale at the Center for Art and Education's Holiday Market. The money raised will go towards an art museum field trip. See [www.art-ed.org](http://www.art-ed.org) for more information or click [HERE](#) for the flyer.
- The ASVAB test will be conducted at Van Buren High School on December 6th at 8:00am in the safe room. The ASVAB is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. Sign-up for the ASVAB will be during both lunches and in the JROTC building each day leading up to the test.
- Share your holiday spirit! You can donate needed items to the Children's Emergency Shelter in Fort Smith. The list of needed items can be found [HERE](#). Bring your items to the library by December 15. Any questions? See Kayla Ho or Kelsey Estrada.
- If possible, please send a new toy, stuffed animal, game, doll, action figure or something a child would love to have for Christmas and place it under the office Christmas tree to help some of our local elementary school children have a better Christmas. All donations will be accepted through Friday, December 9.
- FCA/T412 will be accepting coats for the Current Christmas Coat Drive through Monday, Dec 12th. You may bring your CLEAN/GENTLY WORN or NEW coats, gloves, or blankets to library, Mrs Porter's or Mrs. Hammond's rooms through that Monday for those in need this winter.
- Schedule Change Requests for second semester classes will be accepted beginning December 8th in the counselor's office. Schedules will be changed based on necessity, such as failing a class or meeting a graduation requirement.
- The 2017 *Pointer Yearbook* will be offering weekly sneak peeks of yearbook photos and pages on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. Follow them at  
*Instagram* - vbhs\_yearbook2017  
*Twitter* - VBHS\_Yearbook  
*Facebook* - VBHS Pointer Yearbook
- Current scholarship information can be found by clicking [HERE](#) or by following the Van Buren High School Scholarship Facebook page..
- The 2017 *Pointer Yearbooks* are now on sale. Students may obtain a yearbook order form from their English teachers or from Mrs. Moose in room S211. Orders also may be placed online at [www.Community.Pictavo.com](http://www.Community.Pictavo.com) Yearbooks are \$47. Yearbooks with personalization are \$53. Yearbooks with Personalization and up to four icons are \$55. **The deadline to order a yearbook is January 20, 2017.**
- Have a business that would like to include an ad in this year's yearbook? We have a [form](#) for that!
- Did you know? Any *senior* student OR *parent of a senior* student purchasing a PTA membership is eligible to submit an application for a PTA scholarship. Fill out a membership form [HERE](#) and send your money (\$5/membership) to the front office.
- Click on the picture if your student would be interested in entering the Arkansas PTA Reflections contest.



### Friday, December 2

7:30pm VBHS Boys Basketball vs. Subiaco

### Saturday, December 3

Happy Birthday, Joe McLean!

9:00am-4:00pm [Project Graduation Holiday Market](#)

4:30pm - VBHS Lady Pointers vs. Ozark @ Home

6:00pm - VBHS Boys vs Morrilton @ Home

### Sunday, December 4

Happy Birthday, Mari Newby!

### Monday, December 5

8:00-9:45am ASPIRE Testing for Sophomores

3:00pm Faculty Meeting

3:00pm Quiz Bowl @Subiaco Academy

3:15-6:15PM ACT Class (Math and Science)

### Tuesday, December 6

Jostens will be here to deliver class rings and pick up any Senior graduation orders

8:00AM ASVAB Testing (See announcement above.)

3:15-6:15PM ACT Class (English and Reading)

## UPCOMING NEWS/EVENTS

#### • **WATC IMPORTANT DATES**

There will be no classes on **Wednesday, December 7.**

WATC final exams are scheduled from **Thursday, December 8 through Wednesday, December 14.**

#### • **Semester Exam Schedule** is as follows:

- Wed., Dec. 14th - 2nd, 4th, and 6th hours
- Thurs., Dec. 15th - 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th hours
- Fri., Dec. 16th - Make-up Exams for anyone who couldn't make it to the 14th or 15th

### Wednesday, December 7

#### **\*MORNING EVENT-CLUB MEETINGS\***

8:45-9:05AM - MAT, Drama, Jr. Officers

9:05-9:30AM - NHC, SHH, SJC, Book Club

3:15-6:15PM ACT Class (Math and Science)

4:00PM VBHS Boys Basketball vs. Greenwood @ Russellville Tournament

### Thursday, December 8

#### **Junior** Luncheons:

Ewing - 5th and 6th hours

Roberts - 3rd, 4th, and 6th hours

White - 4th hour

Seeger - 4th and 6th hours

3:15-6:15PM ACT Class (English and Reading)

4:00PM Bowling vs. Hackett @ Midland Bowl

6:00PM Wrestling vs. Poteau @ Home

8:30PM VBHS Lady Pointers vs. East Central in Fort Smith Tournament of Champions @ Southside High School

### Friday, December 9

Wrestling VB Duals @ Home

#### • **Semester Exam Exemption Policy:**

Students who have an A, B, or C in a class and have only (3) excused absences (these include medical) or less in that class have the option of being exempt from the semester test in that class. Any unexcused absence, out of school suspensions, or ISS will make a student ineligible for the exemption. School business will not count as an absence. If a student who is exempt chooses to take the test their grade may

not

be lowered from the result of that test.

- **Juniors:** The deadline to apply online to Arkansas Governor's School is January 16, 2017. The online application can be found at [www.hendrix.edu/ags](http://www.hendrix.edu/ags). Need more information? See Mrs. Hall in the counselor's office.

- **Seniors:** Help determine this year's Prom theme. Sign-up for the Prom Google Classroom using code v7mhqg1. If you have any questions or issues, see Ms. Mohr in room S204.

# PROJECTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>TEACHER</b>	<b>ASSIGNMENT</b>	<b>DUE DATE</b>	<b>MORE INFO</b>
Aerospace Engineering	McLean	Narrated Presentation/Video on Physiological Effects of Space Travel	Wednesday, Dec. 7	<a href="mailto:joe.mclean@vbsd.us">joe.mclean@vbsd.us</a>
AP Biology	Carlson	Transport/Organelles /Water Potential Test	Tuesday, Dec. 6	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
AP Literature	Mohr	PowerPoint Presentations	Wednesday, Dec. 7	<a href="mailto:karen.mohr@vbsd.us">karen.mohr@vbsd.us</a>
Concurrent English Composition	Hefner	Evaluation/Analysis Paper	Thursday, Dec. 8	<a href="mailto:mhefner@vbsd.us">mhefner@vbsd.us</a>
English 12	Abbott	SERIAL Project	Thursday, Dec. 15	<a href="mailto:chelsey.abbott@vbsd.us">chelsey.abbott@vbsd.us</a>
Pre-AP Biology	Carlson	Transport/Solution/ Microscope Test	Tuesday, Dec. 6	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
Pre-AP Chemistry	Hammond	Chapter 5 Test	Tuesday, Dec. 6	<a href="mailto:phammond@vbsd.us">phammond@vbsd.us</a>
Pre-AP English 11	Mohr	Poetry Posters	Wednesday, Dec. 7	<a href="mailto:karen.mohr@vbsd.us">karen.mohr@vbsd.us</a>
Pre-AP English 11	J. Porter	Semester Reading Project	Wednesday, Dec. 7	<a href="mailto:jporter@vbsd.us">jporter@vbsd.us</a>
Principles of Biomedical Science	Albertson/Carlson	Heart Test	Tuesday, Dec. 6	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a> <a href="mailto:emily.albertson@vbsd.us">emily.albertson@vbsd.us</a>
Principles of Engineering (2nd hour)	McClellan	Exam on Truss Analysis	Thursday, Dec. 1	<a href="mailto:joe.mclean@vbsd.us">joe.mclean@vbsd.us</a>
Yearbook	Moose	First page-spread submission	Wednesday, Dec. 7	<a href="mailto:lmoose@vbsd.us">lmoose@vbsd.us</a>



For information, tools and resources to help a friend (or yourself) who may be struggling with thoughts of suicide, download the FREE app -- "A Friend Asks" from the Apple App Store or the Android Market.

Dealing with Bullying: Helping Bullied Kids & Teens - [HelpGuide.org](http://HelpGuide.org)

Do you know someone who would benefit from the Pointer Update? Pass along these instructions to sign up for the weekly newsletter and it will go straight to their email inbox!

- 1) Go to <http://www.vbsd.us/schools/van-buren-high-school>
- 2) Scroll down and look for "All Pointers Update" on the left hand side.
- 3) Enter your email address and hit subscribe!

Questions? Comments? Ideas? Email [Dusti.hurst@vbsd.us](mailto:Dusti.hurst@vbsd.us)