

POINTER UPDATE

January 27, 2017



Important News:

- Next week is **SPIRIT WEEK** for homecoming. The dress-up days are as follows:
 - Monday - Dynamic Duo
 - Tuesday - Tie Dye
 - Wednesday - TV Character
 - Thursday - Tacky Tourist
 - Friday - Formal
- The **PTA Scholarship** will be available soon. There is only one requirement to be able to apply...you or your student **MUST** be a member of PTA. Fill out this [online form](#) and send your membership dues to the front office.
- Students who currently have a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher should check their school e-mail for an invitation to apply for National Honor Society.
- **JUNIORS:** Check out this [Visual Arts Scholarship](#).
- Any FFA member who wants to compete in Farm Business Management, Poultry Science, Vet Science, or Floriculture judging contests at Wild Hog needs to bring \$10 to Ms. Good by Wednesday, February 1st. The contest is Saturday, February 25th.
- The Cultures in Action Club will present story time about various cultures and languages every Saturday in February from 10-11 am at the public library. The program is free to the community and is geared toward smaller children. This Saturday, February 4th will focus on the Hmong people and language. February 11th is Spanish, 18th is Italian, and 25th is American Sign Language.
- Students, time is running out for you to recover your 1st semester Grades. You should be attending Saturday school and/or before/after school.
- There will be a mandatory parent meeting for any student interested in trying out for varsity cheer or dance on Sunday, February 12th at 2:00PM in the Van Buren High School safe room. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Rogers (laura.rogers@vbsd.us) or Coach Ross (danielle.ross@vbsd.us).
- The Miss VBHS pageant will be held on Saturday, February 25th at 7:00PM in the Fine Arts Center. Applications are available in the front office. Here's a [FLYER](#) for your perusal.
- The deadline to order a Pointer yearbook has passed; however, Mrs. Moose has ordered **ONLY** 50 more that can be claimed. Since the deadline has passed, the price has increased by \$3 to \$50. It is first come, first served. Contact Lisa Moose, lmoose@vbsd.us, for more details.
- 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..

Friday, January 27

Wrestling in Maverick Conference
3:30PM Basketball @ Fayetteville
(JVG/JVB/VG/VB)

Saturday, January 28

Wrestling in Maverick Conference

Sunday, January 29

Monday, January 30

Tuesday, January 31

Happy Birthday, Diane Hicks!
4:00PM Bowling vs. Rogers-Heritage @ Midland
Bowl

UPCOMING NEWS/EVENTS

- Interested in a health career? UAMS MASH Applications are available in Mrs. Nelson's office. They are due to UAMS by March 1st. You may return them directly to the MASH program address on the application or have them back to Mrs. Nelson by February 24th. For more information on the MASH program, click [HERE](#).
- The FBI is sponsoring a Future Agent in Training Program, which will be held April 21st, 28th and May 5th in Fort Smith. Applications are available in Mrs. Nelson's office and are due back to the FBI no later than Friday, February 24th, 2017.
- The make-up snow day will be Monday, February 20th. This was originally a professional development day for teachers but will now be a regular school day.

Wednesday, February 1

MORNING EVENT SCHEDULE - CLUB MEETINGS

8:45-9:05AM -
FBLA/FTA/TARS/Hope/DPC/Yoga
9:05-9:30AM - Partners/HOSA/Creative Writers

Thursday, February 2

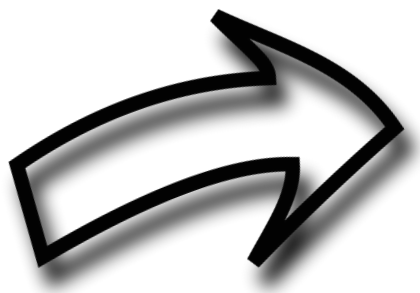
Happy Birthday, Fran Hall!
Swim @ HarBer
3:00PM Quiz Bowl vs. Southside @ Home
4:00PM Bowling @ Bentonville
5:30PM Wrestling vs. Northside/Southside @
Home
(JV/JH)

Friday, February 3

All-State Choir Auditions in Dover
**MORNING EVENT SCHEDULE - HOMECOMING
PEP RALLY**
3:30PM Basketball vs. Bentonville-West @ Home
(JVG/JVB/VG/VB)

- All Juniors will take the ACT on March 9. Any Junior who would like to request special accommodations need to fill out the request form. The form can be found [HERE](#), or students can pick up the form in the counselor's office. This form must be completed by parents and returned to Ms. Parkerson by January 10.
- **COMING SOON:** *Once Upon a Prom* collects gently used prom dresses to give to young ladies in need. If you have dresses you would like to donate, the collection day is set for Saturday, February 25th, from 10AM-Noon at Heritage Methodist Church. *Once Upon a Prom* will accept any dresses but is in desperate need of sizes

UPCOMING SPRING DATES:



February 16	Empty Bowls
February 20	Make-up Snow Day
February 25	Miss VBHS
March 9	ACT for Juniors
March 14	Aspire Interim Test for Sophomores
March 14	P/T Conferences/Early Dismissal @ 2:00PM
March 15	Student vs. Faculty Basketball
March 16	Talent Show
March 16	P/T Conferences/Early Dismissal @ 2:00PM
March 17-24	Spring Break

PROJECTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

COURSE	TEACHER	ASSIGNMENT	DUE DATE	MORE INFO
AP Literature	Karen Mohr	<i>The Great Gatsby</i> in-class essay	Tuesday, Feb. 1	karen.mohr@vbsd.us
English 12	LaDonna Brewer	Arthurian Legends Shield Project	Monday, Jan. 30	lbrewer@vbsd.us
Pre-AP Biology	Rebecca Carlson	Photosynthesis/Cellular Respiration Test	Tuesday, Jan. 31	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
Pre-AP World History AND United States History	Brad Rotert	5 Sources (50 points) 15 Note Cards/Notes Of Research (60 points) Research Paper and Presentation	Friday, Feb. 3 Friday, Feb. 17 Monday, April 24 Fridays, May 5, 12, and 19	brad.rotert@vbsd.us Students will write a 2-3 page paper (Due April 24) and will present their research to the class (May 5, 12, & 19.) Students have been given a Project Packet which includes Important Due Dates. Parents please look over the packets. Students have already picked their topic to research.
Principles of Biomedical Science	Albertson/Carlson	Cholesterol Board Game	Thursday, Feb. 2	emily.albertson@vbsd.us



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://www.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