POINTER UPDATE

November 2, 2018

Important News:

- Congratulations to the VBHS MARCHING BAND on winning THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS INVITATIONAL MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIP last Saturday. The VBHS Marching Band also won awards for outstanding colorguard and percussion. This is the 3rd year in a row for the VBHS Band to earn the NWAI Championship title.
- Congratulations to the VBHS Marching Band! This past Monday the VBHS Marching Band competed against 30 other bands from across the state at War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock at the Arkansas State

 Marching Band Championship. The VBHS Marching Band won the 2018-19 Arkansas State Championship with a high score of 89.70. This completes the first undefeated season in school history for the VBHS Marching Band
- Congratulations to Mikelle Porter and Luke Workman for being announced the school winners for the Wendy's Heisman Award.
- Monday, November 5th we will have our **annual fall play** for the entire student body. The play begins at 12:30pm.
 - Cost to attend the play is \$2 payable to your 5th period teacher.

while earning a second consecutive State Championship.

- Our **flu shot clinic** will be Thursday, November 29th, from 8:30am-2:00pm. Students should have received the packet in their 3rd hour class. Please fill out the packet and return it to the nurse as soon as possible. Flu packets can be picked up in the office if you didn't get one in class.
- **FBLA dues** are due to Ms. Thompson by November 15. They are \$15.00.
- **Need volunteer hours?** Each year the Salvation Army sets up Red Kettles in locations in Fort Smith and surrounding towns to help raise money to fund meals for the hungry each night, run the homeless shelter, and many other services for the disadvantaged community. We need volunteers to help RING THE BELL at the Red Kettles. Also, if they are looking for things to volunteer for year round, we serve meals in the Red Shield Diner and always need helping hands.
 - If you have any questions or need more information please email Susan Adams at susan.adams@uss.salvationarmy.org
- Attention Sophomores: You have the opportunity to represent VBHS in the nation's foremost youth leadership program at the **Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership State Seminar**. The HOBY program is designed to help high school sophomores to recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace and community. Students explore their own personal leadership skills while learning how to lead others and make a positive impact in their community.

Applications are available now for the HOBY Seminar to be held June 6 – 9, 2019 at Arkansas Tech University in Russellville. Two sophomores will be selected. **Applications must be turned in to Ms. Parkerson in the counselor's office by November 5th**.

For applications or more information, please visit the counseling office or your English teacher.

- All juniors will take the ACT on 2/20/19. If you would like to request accommodations based on an IEP, 504 or ELL (English Language Learner) documentation for your child, you must sign the Consent for Release of Information to ACT and return it to Ms. Parkerson by November 6, 2018. Please be aware that additional information may be required such as a Letter of Professional Diagnosis (from doctor, therapist, etc.) if requesting accommodations based on an IEP or 504.
- Individual photo retake day will be Thursday, Nov. 7.
 - Drapes and shirts/jackets will be provided for seniors.
 - Sophomores and Juniors should dress appropriately.
 - Students needing retakes should either ask their English teacher or go by Mrs. Moose's room S211 for information and the pre-order packet forms.



- Students who are enrolled in College Project are invited to an ACT prep workshop presented by Jim Giovannini, one of the nation's leading authorities on ACT prep and author for Barron's ACT study materials. College Project students will be getting something in the mail, and priority will be given to students who register early. The event will be Saturday, December 1st on the U of A campus.
- Have you had an outstanding math or science teacher? Nominate him or her for the Presidential Award for
 Excellence in Math and Science Teaching. Click the link to fill out the nomination form. http://bit.lv/2iQwVKi
- Be sure to check out the website for the **new school store**! <u>www.shoppointerplace.com</u> Also, follow them on social media: Instagram: @PointerPlace, Facebook: @ShopPointerPlace, Twitter: @PointerPlace
- If you would like to enter the **PTA Reflections contest**, please see Mrs. Hurst. This year's theme is Heroes Around Me. Last year our own Hannah Stedman one 1st place in the whole state for her sculpture. Check your student email for more detailed information. Deadline for submission will be Friday, December 14th.
- The 2019 Pointer Yearbook is now on sale. Cost is \$45. Order forms are available from Mrs. Moose's room -S211
 and from the front office. Orders may also be placed online at vearbookforever.com
- Senior tribute ads for the yearbook are now on sale. Forms and information are available from Mrs. Moose's room S211 and the front office. Ads may also be purchased online at <u>yearbookforever.com</u> Ads range from full-page to an eight-page. Costs range from \$220 to \$50
- **FOR PARENTS:** Support your 2019 Pointer Yearbook by purchasing a business ad. For information, contact Lisa Moose at the high school (474-6821) or lmoose@vbsd.us
- Students: Parent **excuse notes for an absence** must be turned in within 5 days after you return to school.
- Students may not have visitors eat lunch with them.
- PARENTS: Would you like to receive this newsletter directly to your inbox? Go to peachjar.com to sign up.

Friday, November 2

Last Day to Register for December ACT without paying late fee

6:30pm Senior Night Festivities at Blakemore Field

7:00pm Football vs. Springdale @ Home 7:00pm *The Importance of Being Earnest* @ VB FAC

VBHS Theatre Department - Admission \$10

Saturday, November 3



Happy Birthday, David Loyd!

<u>Green vs. White Basketball Games</u>...click for schedule

Sunday, November 4

2:00pm The Importance of Being Earnest @ VB FAC

VBHS Theatre Department - Admission \$10

UPCOMING FALL DATES:



Monday, November 5 AFTERNOON EVENT - SCHOOL PLAY

Students will be dismissed at 12:30pm to attend *The Importance of Being Earnest*. Cost \$2 3:30pm Quiz Bowl vs. Subiaco @ Home

Tuesday, November 6

Wednesday, November 7

Photo Make-up Day/Club Pictures

MORNING EVENT - CLUB PICTURES

Thursday, November 8

10:00am Henderson State Visit

Friday, November 9

Football in State Playoffs...place and time TBA

Monday thru Friday November 19 thru 23	Fall Break - No School
Wednesday, December 19	Semester Exams - periods 2, 4, and 6
Thursday, December 20	Semester Exams - periods 1, 3, 5 and 7
Friday, December 21	Make-up Semester Exams
Tuesday, January 8	Students Return

PTZOJECTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

TEACHER	COURSE	PROJECT	DUE DATE	MORE INFORMATION
Carlson	AP Biology	DNA Abstract	Friday, Nov. 9	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
Carlson	PBS	2.2.2 Terms Quiz	Wednesday, Nov. 7	rebecca.carlson@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

Questions? Comments? Ideas? Email <u>Dusti.hurst@vbsd.us</u>