POINTER UPDATE

January 25, 2019

Important News:

Basketball Homecoming is next week! The theme for next week is "Van Buren's Got Game". Points will be awarded through the Goose Chase scavenger hunt and dressing up for Spirit Week. Search "Van Buren Basketball Spirit Week 2019". Please make sure you follow school dress code for all spirit days!

Monday- "Candyland: Sweet Dreams" Dress up in pajama PANTS

Tuesday- "Scrabble" Dress up as a letter and spell words with your friends

or dress up as something that begins with the first letter of your first name Wednesday- "Cranium" Dress up as a stereotypical nerd Thursday- "The Game of Life" Dress up as your future career or dress in your future college apparel

Friday- "Battleship" Dress up according to class colors. Seniors-White, Juniors- Black, Sophomores-Green

- Congratulations to our bowling teams!
 - Boys defeated an undefeated Bentonville team Tuesday with Caleb Jenkins as the Medalist
 - Boys and girls defeated Hackett on Thursday with Jake Pulan and Rhiannon Tapia being the Medalists.
- VBHS Art Club is sponsoring the 10th annual Empty Bowls charity dinner on February 28th, 2019 at the VBHS Commons. Drop in anytime between 5:30 and 7:30 for a night of art and food. The Pointer Place Cafe will provide a creamy chicken and vegetable soup and the Grapevine Restaurant will provide fresh baked bread. Guests are invited to come and pick a handmade ceramic bowl to eat from and then have it washed and take it home as a reminder of all the empty bowls in our community and our world. Tickets can be purchased at the VBHS front office or at the door: \$15/adult or \$7/child. All of the proceeds will be donated to the Meals for Kids program in the River Valley.

Talent Show Tryout forms are due back Monday. •

Be sure to come to the Talent Show this year! There will be prizes for some of the audience members and a lot of crowd interaction! The tickets will be \$2. The Talent Show is Friday, February 8.

- The FBI Future Agent in Training application is in Mrs. Nelson's office, along with several other scholarship • applications.
- The **CIA Club** will present multicultural story times at the Van Buren Public Library every Saturday in February • 10-11 am. Flyer is HERE. (Peachjar will not allow this hyperlink to open. For more information email Mrs. Hurst, dusti.hurst@vbsd.us)
- Miss VBHS applications are in the office and are due back by February 6th. •
- Attention Seniors: The Ted McEvoy Shelter Insurance Scholarship is now available in Mrs. Nelson's office.
- Are you in a band? Can you dance? Do you sing in the shower? If so, come by today and get your talent show form from Mrs. Radley in N103! The form is due back Monday, January 28. The Talent show is on February 8th.
- Attention current active ELL students: Next Wednesday, the 30th, sophomore ELL students will need to come • to the library to take the practice test during club meeting time. This practice test is mandatory and "trumps" any club meeting.

The practice test takes about 30 minutes. Student should come to the library at 8:50.

- For any student interested in trying out for the Pointer Cheer and Dance teams, there will be a parent meeting • Tuesday, January 29th from 5:30-6:30 in the High School Commons. If you are interested in trying out but cannot make it to the meeting, please talk to Coach Ross or Coach Rogers before the meeting date.
- Scholarship for Juniors and Seniors Now Available: The Conservation Education Scholarship is only open to 11th & 12th grade students from Crawford County. Applications are due to the Crawford County Conservation District by Thursday, February 21, 2019. For the scholarship application, see Mrs. Hurst or Mrs. Nelson.
- Entries are now being accepted for the Student Media Festival. This is a statewide competition. Categories include live action video, sequential stills, animation, interactive multimedia application, podcast, black and white photography, and color photography. This year's theme is "Curate Community." Deadline to enter is Monday, February 25th. See Mrs. Hurst for details.





- The Crawford County Conservation District participates in the **Annual AACD "The Wonders of Arkansas" State Photo Contest**. Attached is the AACD Photo Contest information & registration forms. Each year we accept photo entries from Crawford County residents (amateur photographers only) wanting to enter this photo contest. We take their photo entries to our AACD State Meeting in Little Rock. Winners are determined by judges & winning checks will be mailed to the Crawford County Conservation District after the State Meeting. All entries from Crawford County residents are due to Mrs. Hurst by Friday, February 8, 2019.
- Applications are now being accepted from high school seniors in the class of 2019 to represent Arkansas at the 2019 National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp). Two students from each state, Washington, D.C, and 8 countries will attend the all-expenses-paid program, which is held from June 27 through July 20, 2019. The NYSCamp is a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) program hosted in the eastern mountains of West Virginia. Students will have an opportunity to conduct research at the nearby Green Bank Observatory and to explore the surrounding Monongahela National Forest through backpacking, mountain biking, caving, rock-climbing, and kayaking.

Program information and application details can be found at http://www.nyscamp.org. Applications must be submitted online at http://apply.nyscamp.org by 6 PM EST on February 28, 2019.

- 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.
- 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 <u>yearbookforever.com</u>
- Students: Parent excuse notes for an absence must be turned in within 5 days after you return to school.

Friday, January 25

Wrestling in Maverick Tournament in Sallisaw, OK 3:30pm Basketball vs. Springdale @ Home (JVG, JVB, VG, VB) 3:30pm Quiz Bowl Scrimmage @ Mountainburg

Saturday, January 26

Quiz Bowl @ Science Bowl @ UAFS Wrestling in Maverick Tournament in Sallisaw, OK

Sunday, January 27

Monday, January 28

Tuesday, January 29 4:00pm Bowling vs. Northside @ Home

Wednesday, January 30 MORNING EVENT - CLUB MEETINGS

8:45-9:05am - FBLA/Educators Rising/HOPE/Yoga 9:05-9:30am - Cultures in Action/HOSA/TARS/YDA 3:30pm Quiz Bowl vs. Southside @ Home

Thursday, January 31

Happy Birthday, Diane Hicks! MORNING EVENT - CAPS CONFERENCE 4:00pm Bowling @ Greenwood

Friday, February 1 MORNING EVENT - HOMECOMING PEP RALLY 3:30pm Basketball vs. Rogers @ Home (JVG/JVB/VG/VB)

Upcoming Spring Dates:



Friday, February 1	Basketball Homecoming		
Friday, February 8	VBHS Talent Show		
Monday, February 18	No School For Students Professional Development		
Wednesday, February 20	All juniors take the ACT		
Tuesday, February 26	Parent Information Night		
Tuesday, March 12	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm P/T Conferences 3:30-6:30pm		
Wednesday, March 13	Student vs. Faculty Event		
Thursday, March 14	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm P/T Conferences 3:30-6:30pm		
Friday, March 15	No School		
Monday, March 18 thru Friday, March 22	Spring Break		
Wednesday, April 10	Senior Cap & Gown Photos		
Friday, April 19	No School - Good Friday		
Monday, April 22	Spring Play		
Saturday, May 4	Prom		
Monday, May 6	AM - AP Govt. & Politics		
Monday, May 6	PM - AP Environmental Sci.		
Tuesday, May 7	AM - AP Spanish		
Tuesday, May 7	PM - AP Physics I		
Wednesday, May 8	AM - AP English Lit		
Wednesday, May 8	PM - AP European History		
Thursday, May 9	AM - AP Chemistry		

Upcoming Spizing Dates (CONT.):

Thursday, May 9	PM - AP Psychology	
Friday, May 10	AM - AP US History	
Friday, May 10	PM - AP Studio Art	
Monday, May 13	AM - AP Biology	
Tuesday, May 14	Senior Semester Exams - Periods 2, 4, and 6	
Tuesday, May 14	AM - AP Calculus AB/BC	
Wednesday, May 15	Senior Semester Exams - Periods 1, 3, 5, and 7	
Wednesday, May 15	AM - AP English Language	
Thursday, May 16	AM - AP World History	
Thursday, May 16	PM - AP Statistics	
Sunday, May 19	Baccalaureate	
Friday, May 24	Semester Exams - Periods 2,, 4, and 6	
Friday, May 24	VBHS Graduation	
Monday, May 27	No School - Memorial Day	
Tuesday, May 28	Semester Exams - Periods 1, 3, 5, and 7	
Wednesday, May 29	Make-up Semester Exams Last Day for Students	
Thursday, May 30	Last Day for Teachers	

PTZOJECT'S AND ASSIGNMENTS

TEACHER	COURSE	PROJECT	DUE DATE	MORE INFORMATION
Hammond	Integrated Chemistry	Periodic Table and Ions Quiz	Tues., 1-29-19	phammond@vbsd.us