

# POINTER UPDATE

February 15, 2019



## Important News:

- **There will be NO SCHOOL for students on Monday, February 18.**
- The **Van Buren's Army JROTC Pointer Battalion** was awarded the **Honor Unit with Distinction** by scoring a 95 out of 100 possible points during their accreditation visit. *Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Abigail Cook* and *Cadet 2nd Lieutenant Gracie Anderson* received Commendable Honors. Congratulations.
- **Congratulations to the following VBHS Theater students** who competed last weekend at the Arkansas Thespian Festival:  
*Ashton Hurst* - superior solo musical  
*Kevin Burns and Eli Nichols*- superior in duet musical and short film  
*Jayden Warren* - superior Lighting Design  
*Shelby Harris*- showcased in Play Writing
- **Seniors:** The Irish Maid Donuts Fundraiser for Project Graduation is going on. Delivery/Pickup will be Friday February 22nd!!
- **Library overdue fines** are 50% off for the month of February.
- **Seniors** - If you have not yet ordered your cap and gown, you may do so by going online to [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com) or by calling 1-800-567-8367.
- **Seniors** - Scholarships are now available in Mrs. Nelson's office and include Harry O Hamm, Rotary, Shelter Insurance - Ted McEvoy, Shelter Insurance - Casey Hess, Leadership Crawford County, Arkansas PTA if majoring in Education, and Craig Strickland (Chase Morland Memorial) Scholarship. More to come.

Specific scholarships are available if either parent is a bus driver for the district or an aide or principal employee in transportation department of district. If you have ever been in foster care for 30 days or more, there is a scholarship offered through the Junior League.

If you or your parents work at Walmart, Lowe's, Beccaert, Mercy, or Baptist Health, there may be scholarships available. Ask them to see their Human Resources Manager about details and applications.

- **Any student who has taken AP Psychology** and would like to apply for membership in the Psi Alpha National Psychology Honor Society should see Mrs. Newby for an application.
- **Important Dates:**  
**Tuesday, February 19th:**  
\*ACT Demographics Day\* ALL JUNIORS will report to their testing room at 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. If students are absent on this day, you will go ahead and take the ACT on the 20th and make up the Demographics at a later date!

### **Wednesday, February 20th:**

Juniors -- ALL JUNIORS will take the ACT Test 8:00 a.m. -- 12:15 p.m. (approximately).  
Sophomores -- All Sophomores will tour WATC -- more info to come from Mrs. Nelson.  
Seniors -- All Seniors can have a college visit day.

### **ACT Test & Demographic Make Up Days will be held 2/21 - 2/28. You will be called out by the counselors.**

- 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.

- 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](mailto:dusti.hurst@vbsd.us))
- **Scholarship for Juniors and Seniors Now Available:** The Conservation Education Scholarship is only open to 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> 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.
- **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.*
- **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 [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)
- Students: Parent **excuse notes for an absence** must be turned in within 5 days after you return to school.

**Friday, February 15**

Boys Bowling at State Bowling Match in Jonesboro  
3:30pm - Basketball vs. Springdale HarBer @ Home (JVG/JVB/VG/VB)

**Saturday, February 16**

10:00am CIA German Storytime at VB Public Library

**Sunday, February 17**

**Monday, February 18**

**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**PD FOR TEACHERS**

5:00pm Softball Green vs. White

**Tuesday, February 19**

Happy Birthday, Eddie Tipton!  
Happy Birthday, Larry Spearman!

**MORNING EVENT - ACT DEMOGRAPHICS**

3:30pm Basketball vs. Bentonville-West @ Home (JVG/JVB/VG/VB) **\*SENIOR NIGHT\***

**Wednesday, February 20**

ACT for all juniors  
UAFS visit for sophomores  
College visit day for seniors

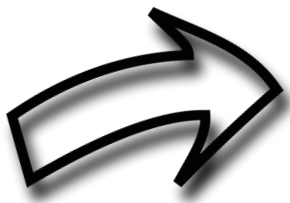
**Thursday, February 21**

5:00pm Baseball vs. Southside @ Home (varsity only)  
Benefit Game

**Friday, February 22**

Wrestling State Tournament in Little Rock  
3:30pm Basketball @ Springdale (JVG/JVB/VG/VB)  
5:00pm Softball @ Clarksville...Benefit Game  
5:30pm Soccer @ Clarksville (VG/VB)

**UPCOMING SPRING DATES:**



Monday, February 18	No School For Students Professional Development
Wednesday, February 20	All juniors take the ACT
Tuesday, February 26	Parent Information Night
Wednesday, February 27	1:00pm PTA Meeting
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
Tuesday and Wednesday April 16 and 17	ACT Aspire for sophomores
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.

## UPCOMING SPRING DATES (CONT.):

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
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

## PROJECTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

TEACHER	COURSE	PROJECT	DUE DATE	MORE INFORMATION
Carlson	Principles of Biomedical Science	3.4.3 and Lab Journal	Tuesday, Feb. 19	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
Hammond	Integrated Chemistry	Naming and Writing Ionic Compounds	Friday, Feb. 22	<a href="mailto:phammond@vbsd.us">phammond@vbsd.us</a>
McLean	Principles of Engineering	VEX Marble Sorter Project Demonstrations	Friday, Feb. 22	<a href="mailto:joe.mclean@vbsd.us">joe.mclean@vbsd.us</a>