

POINTER UPDATE

February 3, 2023

WE ARE **ONE**. WE ARE **FAMILY**. WE ARE **POINTERS**.

Important News:

- **PLEASE NOTE:** If you are accessing this newsletter through Peachjar, hyperlinks will not work. You can click the "Learn More" button to go to the VBSD website or visit the high school website to be able to click the links directly. The Pointer Update is posted on the high school home page under "News and Announcements." Go to www.vbsd.us > Schools > Van Buren High School
- **Congratulations to the high school chess team** that competed in the regional chess tournament in Eureka Springs last weekend and took 2nd place in the upper division, defeating Alma in the final rounds of competition. Senior Ruben Corona also won the tournament MVP award for the best overall performance in the tournament.
- **Congratulations to the girls wrestling team** who placed 3rd in dual state last weekend!
- **NEXT WEEK IS SPIRIT WEEK FOR BASKETBALL HOMECOMING!**



- **GSA is sponsoring a clothing drive** for the VBHS Clothes Closet in Mrs. Allen's room AND for the Crisis Intervention Center in Fort Smith. Students can bring clean, gently used clothing to a table set up in the commons before school or to Mrs. Holland's classroom during the school day. Most needed items are: leggings (all sizes), sweat pants, sweater shirts (flannels, light jackets, etc), jackets & coats, bras, new packages of underwear, and new toiletries. *The clothing drive will end Friday, February 10.*
- **VBHS Empty Bowls** event is happening in person this year! The event will occur on Feb. 23rd from 5-7:30pm at Arts on Main in Downtown Van Buren. For a ticket price of \$15 for adults and \$7 for children, guests are invited to pick out a handmade bowl and have a soup dinner. This is a fundraiser for the "Meals for Kids" program that helps feed students in our school district and others in the River Valley. For more info and to buy tickets, visit facebook.com/vbhsart
- **Lost your Chromebook charger?** We do not provide replacements; however, you are welcome to buy one on Amazon or another vendor of your choosing. Just make sure it is a 45-watt USB-C type charger.
- **Hot and Ready Pizza** will be available from 2:30-3:30 for \$10 on home basketball game days.

- **Senior Parents:** Whether your student will go directly into the workforce after high school or go to college, it never hurts to improve their interview skills. Share this information with your senior about having a successful interview. <http://bit.ly/3GHvW6u>
- **Sophomore and Junior Parents:** It's almost time to start thinking about choosing classes for next school year. Check out this article: <https://u.org/3XL8Va3>
- For policies regarding things such as **dress code, student ID badges, and attendance**, please click the link to go to the 2022-23 Pointer Procedures posted on the high school website. <https://bit.ly/3LoW1Qo>
- **All Students:** If you leave or enter the building for any reason between the hours of 8:00 and 3:00 you must exit and enter through the door in the Commons by the front office.
- Follow us on social media! **Twitter:** @VanBurenHS @PointerUpdate @VBHS_Counseling @VBSDPointers

Facebook: Van Buren High School, VBSD,

Van Buren High School Counselors

Friday, February 3

11:00am Bowling Conference Tournament in
Hot Springs
4:45pm Basketball vs. Greenbrier @ Home
(JVB/VG/VB)

Saturday, February 4

Happy Birthday, Gilberto Hernandez!
Happy Birthday, Jennifer Almond!
1:00pm Wrestling in Boys State Duals in VBHS
Arena

Sunday, February 5

Happy Birthday, Jamie Alexander!
Happy Birthday, Michael Kinney!
Happy Birthday, Moe Henry!
Happy Birthday, Taryn Lincoln!
3:00pm Cheer Tryout Meeting in the
Commons
3:00pm Dance Tryout Meeting in the FAC

Monday, February 6

Happy Birthday, Velvet Clifford!
SPIRIT WEEK - AMERICA MONDAY
Bowling State Tournament
Arkansas Tech Lunchroom Visit
4:45pm Basketball vs. Siloam Springs @ Home
(JVB/VG/VB)

Tuesday, February 7

Happy Birthday, Cara Jones!
SPIRIT WEEK - FUTURE TUESDAY
Bowling State Tournament
ATU - Ozark Lunchroom Visit
4:00pm Basketball @ Greenwood (JVB/VG/VB)

Wednesday, February 8

SPIRIT WEEK - WHITE LIE WEDNESDAY
All-State Choir Auditions
Bowling State Tournament
EVENT - DAWG POUND TIME

Thursday, February 9

**SPIRIT WEEK - ANYTHING-BUT-A-BACKPACK
THURSDAY**
Bowling State Tournament
EVENT - DAWG POUND TIME
3:30pm Quiz Bowl vs. Alma in VBHS Library

Friday, February 10

SPIRIT WEEK - COLOR WARS
Bowling State Tournament
EVENT - HOMECOMING PEP RALLY
4:00pm Basketball vs. Mountain Home @ Home
(JVB/VG/VB) *HOMECOMING*

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Friday, February 10	Basketball Homecoming
Saturday, February 11	ACT
Monday, February 27	ACT Demographics for Juniors
Tuesday, February 28	ACT for ALL Juniors
Tuesday/Thursday, March 14/16	Early Dismissal 2:00pm P/T Conferences 3:30-6:30pm
March 20-24	Spring Break
Tuesday, March 28	Cap and Gown Pictures
Friday, April 7	No School
Saturday, April 15	ACT
Monday thru Wednesday April 17 thru 19	ACT Aspire for Sophomores
Thursday, April 20	Top 40 Banquet
Tuesday, April 25	Arkansas Scholars Celebration
Monday, May 1	AM - AP US Government and Politics Exam PM - AP Chemistry Exam
Tuesday, May 2	PM - AP Psychology Exam
Wednesday, May 3	AM - AP English Lit Exam PM - AP Computer Science Exam
Thursday, May 4	PM - AP Statistics
Friday, May 5	AP Art Portfolios Due AM - AP US History Exam
Saturday, May 6	Prom
Monday, May 8	AM - AP Calculus Exam
Tuesday, May 9	AM - AP English Lit Exam
Tuesday, May 9	Scholarship Night
Wednesday, May 10	AM - AP Spanish Exam PM - AP Biology Exam
Thursday, May 11	AM - AP World History PM - AP Physics Exam
Friday, May 19	Graduation
Tuesday, May 30	Semester Exams - Periods 2, 4, 6, 8
Wednesday, May 31	Semester Exams - Periods 1, 3, 5, 7
Thursday, June 1	Make-up Semester Exams

UPCOMING PROJECTS/TESTS

TEACHER	COURSE	DESCRIPTION	DUE DATE	MORE INFO
Carlson	AP Biology	Water Potential/Transport Test	Friday, Feb. 10	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
Carlson	PBS	2.1.2 Equipment Practical Test	Thursday, Feb. 9	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
McLean	Principles of Engineering	Quiz on Centroids & Beam Deflection	Tuesday, Feb. 7	joe.mclean@vbsd.us

