

# POINTER UPDATE

February 17, 2023

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## 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](http://www.vbsd.us) > Schools > Van Buren High School
- **Congratulations to Brianna Ball**, who was named to the All Star West Volleyball Team for 2022-23. She will play in the All Star game which will be played in Conway on June 29th.
- **Congratulations to Hadlee Hurst** for being selected as the 2023 VBHS Basketball Homecoming Queen!
- **Congratulations to Lisa Moose**, our January Teacher of the Month!
- **Congratulations to the VBHS Band!** They had 27 team members earn positions in the Arkansas ALL-STATE Band. This puts the VBHS Band in the Top 2 in the state for total All State Concert Band members and Number ONE in Class 6A!
- **Congratulations to the following Theatre Students that participated in AAA State Thespian Festival this last week:**
  - Receiving State Running up - Excellent :
  - Solo Musical : *Maci Dorrough*
  - Duet Musical : *Zoe Dunn and Emilee Wear*
  - Musical Theatre Dance : *Analyn Moore and Maeli Jones*
  - Solo Musical : *Sydney Lara*
  - Solo Musical Dance : *Maci Barrett*
  - Costume Construction : *Shayla Arter*
  - Solo Acting - *EJ Bonilla*
  - Solo Musical - *Aubry Pham*
  - Solo Musical - *Marrz Chase*
  - State Winning -Superior
  - Solo Musical - *Faith Cureton*
  - Solo Musical/ Perfect Score - *Hadley Gilmore*
  - Stage Management - *Kaitlyn Foster*
  - Group Musical - *Faith Cureton, Sydney Lara, Hadley Gilmore*
  - Tech Challenge : *Shayla Arter*
  - Van Buren Theatre also receive GOLD HONOR for their community service, and the amount of plays/ Musicals they do at the school.
- **SENIORS:** The Shelter Insurance and the Harry O Hamm scholarship applications are now available in Mrs. Nelson's office. It's time to start checking Mrs. Nelson's office weekly for new scholarship applications. Also, check the Facebook page! <http://bit.ly/3YuGX2Z>

- **If you missed the mandatory parent meeting but are interested in trying out for cheer or dance,** please contact Coach Berry (cheer...[monika.berry@vbsd.us](mailto:monika.berry@vbsd.us)) or Coach McKenna (dance...[taylor.mckenna@vbsd.us](mailto:taylor.mckenna@vbsd.us)).
- **Attention juniors and sophomores:** Check your email to see if you received an invitation to join **National BETA Club**. Dues and forms are due to Mrs. Mohr-Robertson in S204 by February 27th. Read your email and letter for more information.
- **Mu Alpha Theta inductions** are coming up. Any student interested in joining Mu Alpha Theta can get an application from your math teacher. You have to be enrolled in Algebra 2 or higher and have at least a cumulative 3.0 GPA in your math classes to be eligible.
- **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](https://www.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 17**

JROTC in Mega Match @ Northside  
 4:00pm Basketball vs. Harrison @ Home  
 (JVB/VG/VB)

**Saturday, February 18**

Boys Wrestling in Regionals @ Mountain Home  
 JROTC in Mega Match @ Northside  
 Robotics in Wild West Spin up @ Bentonville-West  
 10:00am Track in 5A State Indoor Meet @  
 Fayetteville

**Sunday, February 19**

Happy Birthday, Eddie Tipton!

**Monday, February 20**

5:00pm Softball Green vs. White Game

**Tuesday, February 21**

Arkansas State University Lunchroom Visit  
 4:00pm Basketball @ Siloam Springs (JVB/VG/VB)  
 4:30pm Baseball @ Rogers (Varsity Benefit Game)  
 5:30pm Soccer Green vs. White Game (VG/VB)

**Wednesday, February 22**

**EVENT - DAWG POUND TIME**

**Thursday, February 23**

5:00pm Empty Bowls at Arts on Main, Downtown VB

**Friday, February 24**

Wrestling in State Tournament @ Little Rock

**EVENT - SENIOR NIGHT PEP RALLY**

4:30pm Basketball vs. Russellville @ Home  
 (JVB/VG/VB)

5:00pm Soccer @ Clarksville (VG/VB)

5:00pm Softball Benefit Game @ Clarksville (V only)

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

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 PM - Spanish Lit
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	Senior Visits to Elementary Schools

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	Unknown Solution Lab	Tuesday, Feb. 21	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
Carlson	HBS	Brain Manikin Quiz	Tuesday, Feb. 21	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
Carlson	PBS	Blood Draw	Mon/Tues, Feb. 20/21	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>

