

# POINTER UPDATE

March 3, 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 our men's wrestling team who are BACK TO BACK 5A STATE CHAMPS!** Congratulations to the following FIVE individuals who won the State Championship in their individual weight classes: *Alex Reed* (9th grade), *Dakota Fenwick* (10th grade), *Don O'Kelley* (10th grade), and **2-time state champ** - *Grant King* (senior). Also, a new school record was set by *Shiloh Summers* (senior) winning his **3rd State Championship!** The girls' team had a state-runner up, *Evelyn Romero* (9th grade), and **TWO State Champions** as well: Congratulations to *Eva Garcia* (9th grade) and *Alexis Schmotzer* (11th grade)!
- **Mark your calendars for parent/teacher conferences!** Conferences will be held on Tuesday, March 14 and Thursday, March 16, 3:30-6:30pm. Just a reminder: Students will be released at 2:00pm each of these days.
- **Current VBHS ELL students will be taking the ELPA 21 next week.** Sophomores and juniors on March 7 & 8, seniors on March 9 & 10. Please check your school e-mail to see your testing room locations and schedule. Those students not at the testing location will be called out over the intercom and asked to report to their testing room.
- **Order your FCA merch** [HERE](#). Anyone can order. All proceeds will go towards providing camp scholarships, Fields of Faith, and other Van Buren FCA events. Deadline to order is Friday, March 17.
- **SENIORS:** Are you checking for scholarships 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>
- **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.
- **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, March 3**

Soccer @ Greenwood Tournament (VG)  
U of A Lunchroom Visit  
4:00pm VB Running Festival  
5:00pm Baseball @ Rogers-Heritage (V/JV)  
5:00pm Softball @ Northside (V/JV)

### **Saturday, March 4**

JROTC in State Physical Match @ LR Catholic  
Quiz Bowl in Sr. High Regional Tournament  
@ Russellville High School  
Soccer @ Conway Tournament (VB)  
Soccer @ Greenwood Tournament (VG)  
11:00am JV Softball vs. Lavaca @ Home  
2:45pm JV Softball vs. Magazine @ Home  
4:00pm JV Softball vs. Greenwood @ Home

### **Sunday, March 5**

### **Monday, March 6**

5:00pm Soccer vs. Prairie Grove @ Home (VG)  
5:00pm Softball vs. Rogers-Heritage @ Home  
(V/JV)

### **Tuesday, March 7**

4:00pm Soccer @ Southside @ Home (JVB/VB/VG)  
5:00pm Baseball @ Gravette (V/JV)  
5:00pm Softball @ Pea Ridge (V/JV)

### **Wednesday, March 8**

#### **EVENT - DAWG POUND TIME**

4:00pm James Lemley Quad City Meet @  
Greenwood

### **Thursday, March 9**

Happy Birthday, Deena Dunn!

#### **EVENT - DAWG POUND TIME**

5:00pm Softball vs. Hackett @ Home (V/JV)

### **Friday, March 10**

Deadline to Register for April ACT  
4:00pm Baseball @ Wister (V/JV)  
4:00pm Soccer @ Greenbrier (JVB/VB/VG)  
5:00pm Softball @ Bentonville-West (V/JV)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

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
Wednesday, April 26	Baccalaureate
Monday, May 1	AM - AP US Government and Politics Exam PM - AP Chemistry Exam PM - Spanish Lit CTE/PLTW/STEM Completer Ceremony
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	Enzyme and Energy Test	Tuesday, March 7	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
Carlson	HBS	Brain Cap	Tuesday, March 7	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>
Carlson	PBS	2.1.5 Quiz	Thursday, March 9	<a href="mailto:rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us">rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us</a>

