

POINTER UPDATE

April 28, 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 our teacher of the month for March, Mrs. Karen Mohr-Robertson!**
- **Congratulations to the Pointer Softball team for earning the title of Back-to-Back 5A West Conference Champs! Congrats also to *Emberlin Caldwell* for breaking the record for all-time number of wins as a Pointer pitcher!**
- **Congratulations to all of our career pathway "completers" in the Engineering, Computer Science, Biomedical Science, Robot Automation, or Teacher Cadet CTE programs!** You and your family are cordially invited to attend our 5th annual completer ceremony Monday, May 1st at 6:00 p.m in the FAC. We are proud of you for taking and passing at least 3 years in these career elective pathways, and we look forward to recognizing you with the graduation cords, medallions, lab coats, and other mementos that represent all of your hard work. An RSVP is not required, but you may email Dr. McLean or Mrs. Albertson (joe.mclean@vbsd.us or emily.albertson@vbsd.us) to let them know you will be attending... and see you there!
- **Congratulations to the following students who signed their commitment to education letter:** Bri Ball, Darren Cavin, Maarz Chase, Katelyn King, Yzelle Leon-Galdamez, Hannah Lockhart, Guadalupe Martinez, Logan Parnell, Caden Reese, Olivia Rogers, and Laney Stein.
- ***The 2023 Pointer Yearbook has arrived at VBHS!***

Yearbook staff will be handing out yearbooks periods 1 through second lunch (12:30) in the Commons area concession stand today (Thursday) and Friday. Those who have pre-ordered books need to pick them up them. We still have a few books available for purchase. Books are \$55 (cash or check only). They can be purchased in the commons during distribution or from Mrs. Moose in room N103.

- **Seniors:** Be sure to return your Chromebook AND charger along with any library books you have checked out before your last day. *You may begin turning in Chromebooks on Thursday, May 4th.*
- **For those participating in the reader challenge,** remember that all submissions are due by April 30th.
- **Sausage Breakfast Burritos** are now available at the Pointer Place Cafe! Stop by and find them in the grab and go cooler! Cost is \$3.
- **Want to improve your ACT score?** VBHS offers a 7 day class to do just that. Check your email for information or ask an English teacher for an application. Deadline to sign up for the June ACT and class is May 5th.
- **Seniors:** Tickets will NOT be required for graduation this year.
- **VBHS Yoga Club is back in action!** All are welcome to come and stretch, breathe, and meditate to get the mind, body, and soul ready for the day! The club is planning to meet every other Wednesday in Ms. Allen's room from here on out. The next meeting is April 26! See you there!
- **The Pointer Yearbook staff is trying to replace and rebuild the Van Buren High School yearbook archives.** We are currently working on the 1960s and are seeking books from the following years: 1962 - 1967. If you or anyone you know has yearbooks that they would like to

donate back to the high school for archival and historical purposes, please you may drop them off at the school's front office, 2001 East Pointer Trail in Van Buren.

- **PROM** will be on Saturday, May 6th. Tickets will go on sale Thursday, April 20 and will be \$15 each. **Only current VBSD students in grades 10-12** will be allowed to attend. Students from other schools will not be allowed nor will former VBHS students. Virtual and ALE students are considered VBSD students. If you have questions, please contact karen.mohr-robertson@vbsd.us
- **Students are not to park in numbered spots, at the end of rows with yellow diagonal lines/road, or past the white signs at the administration building/annex.** Officers are going to begin ticketing this week.
- **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.
- 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, April 28

4:00pm Soccer vs. Harrison @ Home (JVG/VG/VB)
SENIOR NIGHT
5:00pm Softball vs. Fayetteville @ Home (V/JV)
SENIOR NIGHT

Saturday, April 29

Sunday, April 30

Monday, May 1

AM - AP US Government Exam
PM - AP Statistics Exam
PM - AP Spanish Lit Exam
4:30pm - Baseball @ Greenwood (9/10 DH)
6:00pm - CTE, PLTW, STEM Completer Ceremony

Tuesday, May 2

PM - AP Psychology Exam
4:00pm Soccer @ Siloam Springs (JVG/VG/VB)
4:30pm Baseball @ Russellville (V-DH)
4:30pm Softball @ Russellville (V-DH)

Wednesday, May 3

AM - AP English Lit Exam
PM - AP Computer Science A Exam
EVENT - DAWG POUND TIME
4:30pm Baseball vs Greenwood @ Home
(JV-7-inning)

Thursday, May 4

PM - AP Statistics Exam
Happy Birthday, Mike McDonald!
10:30am - 5A State Track Meet
4:30pm Baseball @ HarBer (V/JV)

Friday, May 5

AM - AP US History Exam
AP Art Portfolios Due
Regular Deadline to Register for June ACT
Noon - Senior Visits to Elementary Schools
4:00pm Soccer @ Russellville (JVG/VG/VB)

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Monday, May 1	AM - AP US Government and Politics Exam PM - AP Chemistry Exam PM - Spanish Lit 6:00pm 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
Tuesday, May 9	Senior Semester Exams 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th hours
Wednesday, May 10	AM - AP Spanish Exam

	PM - AP Biology Exam
Wednesday, May 10	Senior Semester Exams 1st, 5th, 7th hours
Wednesday, May 10	Seniors Last Day
Thursday, May 11	AM - AP World History PM - AP Physics Exam
Friday, May 19	7:30pm 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

