

POINTER UPDATE

November 12, 2021

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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 > Schools > Van Buren High School
- **Congratulations to the Cross Country Team** on a successful weekend at the State meet last weekend and **congratulations to Aubree Willie** for placing 3rd in the 5A division.
- **Congratulations** to the following student athletes who signed national letters of intent to play baseball in college:
 - *Connor Brady* - Eastern Oklahoma
 - *Eli Gilreath* - Missouri Southern State University
 - *Josh Nowotny* - Central Baptist College
- **Congratulations to the following students for being named October Students of the Month:**
 - *Sophomore - Hannah Bryant*
 - *Junior - Chelsea Mendez*
 - *Senior - Ryan Ruehle*
- There will be **NO SCHOOL** November 22-26 for Fall Break.
- **National Honor Society applications** for membership have been sent to current Juniors and Seniors within the GPA requirement. Please check your school email for instructions. Application deadline is November 12, 2022.
- **Senior Parents:** Have questions about filling out the FAFSA for federal student aid for college? Mrs. Nelson and UAFS representatives will hold a workshop in the VBHS Library on Monday, November 15 from 5:30-7:30pm. You will need your 2020 tax returns in order to complete the process. Seniors were sent an email to sign-up. The first 25 will be admitted. There will be a waiting list for others wanting to attend.
- **Parents: Follow the Pointer Yearbook Facebook page** -- VBHS Pointer Yearbook -- to find not only yearbook information but also shared photos and sneak peeks in the 2022 Pointer Yearbook.
- **Attention Students:** Per Mr. Tipton, you need to **start wearing your name badges**, but please wear them around your neck and NOT on your backpacks so we can see them. We will be checking to see if you're wearing them. You will NOT be able to attend events such as pep rallies, club meetings, etc. without them. Thank you for helping to promote safety within our school.
- **The 2022 Pointer Yearbook is now on sale.** Cost is \$45. Students may purchase online at yearbookforever.com OR from Mrs. Moose in Room S211. For in person-orders, forms are available in Room S211, the media center, outside the counseling office, and in the front office. We are offering a payment plan breaking the cost into two payments: \$25 by Dec. 17 and \$20 by Spring Break. See Mrs. Moose in Room S211 for more information.
- **2022 Senior Tribute ads** for the 2022 Pointer Yearbook are now on sale. Tributes may be purchased online at yearbookforever.com or from Mrs. Moose in Room S211.

- **Please read the following school policy regarding absences:**

Regular school attendance is vital to the overall academic success of every student. Van Buren High School will follow the VBSD Board Policy 4.2-Student Attendance.

Attendance Procedures for VBHS students:

- A written note or an email must be given to the one of the secretaries in the office within 5 school days for an absence to be excused by parent permission (no doctor's note)
 - **Any student who misses over 10 minutes of any class will be counted absent for that class.**
 - Students who accumulate more than (10) unexcused absences in an individual class during the semester may be denied course credit.
 - Students will be allowed (6) excused absences (without doctor's note)-any absences after the 6 excused absence days will be counted as unexcused.
 - Students may be assigned Saturday School to reduce the number of absences to help them retain or regain credit in a class.
- Follow us on social media! **Twitter:** @VanBurenHS @PointerUpdate @VBHS_Counseling @VBSDPointers

Facebook: Van Buren High School, VBSD,

Van Buren High School Counselors

Friday, November 12

Saturday, November 13

Cheer Competition at Bank OZK Arena in Hot Springs

Dance in State Dance Competition at Lake Hamilton

11:00am Cross Country in AR/OK All-Star Meet in Rogers

Sunday, November 14

Monday, November 15

5:30pm Basketball @ Farmington (JVG)

5:30pm FAFSA Workshop in Library (see announcement)

Tuesday, November 16

Arkansas State University lunchroom visit

4:00pm Wrestling @ HarBer (VG/VB)

4:30pm Basketball vs. Springdale @ Home (JVG/VG)

Wednesday, November 17

Happy Birthday, Kara Holland!

MORNING EVENT - CLUB MEETINGS

University of the Ozarks lunchroom visit

Thursday, November 18

5:30pm Basketball @ Gravette (JVG/VG)

Friday, November 19

UPCOMING FALL EVENTS!

November 15	FAFSA Workshop @ VBHS Library 5:30-7:30pm
November 22-26	Fall Break
December 1	ASVAB
December 9	Senior Testing
December 11	ACT
December 15	Semester Exams for Periods 1, 3, 5, and 7
December 16	Semester Exams for Periods 2, 4, and 6
December 17	Make-up Semester Exams
December 20-January 3	Winter Break
January 4	Students Return for 2nd Semester

UPCOMING PROJECTS/TESTS

TEACHER	COURSE	DESCRIPTION	DUE DATE	MORE INFO
Carlson	AP Biology	Mitosis/Cell Cycle Quiz Mitosis Lab	Fri., Nov. 19th Wed., Dec. 1st	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
Carlson	HBS	Eye Dissection	Mon. Dec. 15th	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
Carlson	PBS	Body Systems Quiz	Thurs., Nov. 18th	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us
Dean	AP US History	Chapter 18 Quiz Unit 5 Exam Chapter 20 Quiz	Tues., Nov. 16th Mon. Nov. 29th Fri., Dec. 3rd	hdean@vbsd.us
Hammond	Honors Chemistry	Chapter 5 Test	Thurs. Nov. 18th	p Hammond@vbsd.us
McLean	Principles of Engineering	Exam on Thermodynamics	Thurs., Nov. 18th	joe.mclean@vbsd.us
Trent	AP World History	Era 2 Exam (1450 to 1750)	Thurs., Dec. 9th	danielle.trent@vbsd.us

