

POINTER UPDATE

September 16, 2022

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
- 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>
- **Congratulations to the following sophomores on being elected to Student Senate:**
 - Aspen Cone
 - Brynlee Henry
 - Ethan Hurst
 - Madeline Lee
 - Haylee Newton
 - Abby Shepherd
 - Wyatt Teague
 - Caden Webb
 - Nate Whittington
- **Congratulations to the following seniors for being named as editors of the 2023 Pointer Yearbook:** Ainsley Morland, editor-in-chief; Caden Reese, photography and social media editor, and Sydnie Sikora, senior editor.
- There will be a **Title I meeting** to inform parents and other stakeholders about how our Title I funds are being utilized in our school. There are two options to accommodate different schedules. Both meetings will take place on Thursday, September 22nd. The first meeting will be held at 10:30am, and the second meeting will be held at 5:30pm. Please arrive at the front office, and you will be directed to the meeting.
- Any **JUNIOR OR SENIOR** interested in the **United States Senate Youth program** can apply now through October 7th. Two students from each state are selected to attend a week in Washington D.C. in March and are also awarded a \$10,000 scholarship. See Mrs. Hurst for details.
- Anyone who is **interested in joining the VBHS National History Club** can go by Mr. Belcher's room, S101, or Mrs. Dean's room, S103, to pick up information on club membership and fall semester activities. You have 1 more week to sign up and pay your dues of \$10.
- **2023 Pointer Yearbooks, Senior Tribute Ads and Business Ads are now available for purchase.** Contact lmoose@vbsd.us with questions concerning the yearbook. Do not delay in ordering books or placing ads. The 2022 Pointer Yearbook and ad space sold out last year.
- **Dawg Pound shirts** are on sale for \$12 during both lunches as well as online. See the QR code posted around school to pay online or look for the link in the next Pointer Update. You've also received an email from Mrs. Holman with information for purchasing. These are the official school shirts for this school year, so please get yours AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! **Order your Dawg Pound shirt online** by clicking on the following link: <https://osp.osmsinc.com/p/PV027-25>
- **The Cultures in Action (CIA) club** explores world cultures through guest speakers, fine arts, movie nights, food, experiences, and festivals and performs community service to educate and promote


global citizenship and goodwill. This club is open to anyone, and there are no dues. Simply join our Google Classroom (code: i7khgmy) and complete the membership form there. Contact Mrs. Blakney (jennifer.blakney@vbsd.us) for questions.

- **Any student who would like to join Art Club** can join the Google Classroom with this code: 5o4yx6w Art Club will be focused on community service based art activities such as mural painting at school, Empty Bowl sale, and other volunteer opportunities. All students are welcome to join, not just art students!
- **Any student who would like to join the GSA** (Genders and Sexualities Alliance) can use this Google Classroom code: gj3263q The GSA will focus on community and support by providing a safe space for LGBTQ+ students AND their peers to assemble. All VBHS students are welcome to join!
- **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.
- **Google Classroom Codes** for your graduating class have been sent to your email. Please join so you can get the latest updates from the Counseling Office.
- **Are you interested in being a future business leader?** See Mr. Karnes in room S210 or visit tinyurl.com/VBFBLA. First meeting info coming soon!
- Do you need a **PARKING TAG**? Follow the link to fill out the Google Form. Once that task is complete, take \$5 cash to the front office to receive your parking tag. <https://forms.gle/P22z1pzZ6BgHQ1oPg> If you would like to pay online, first fill out the Google Form and then click on the following link: <https://osp.osmsinc.com/p/PV027-28>
- Students will **NOT** automatically receive free lunches this year. In order to qualify, you must fill out the **free and reduced lunch application** by following this link: <https://bit.ly/3PVVJvl>
- **HAC access for students:** <http://hac20.esp.k12.ar.us/>

Student Access to Online Grades (HAC)

Go to: <http://hac20.esp.k12.ar.us/>

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Sign In

1. Select "Van Buren School District" from the drop-down box.
2. Your user name is your student ID number.
3. Your password is your first initial, last initial, two-digit birth month, two-digit birth date, hyphen (-), and the last four digits of your social security number.

Password example: John Doe's birthday is June 18 and his social security number is 123-45-6789. His password would be JD0618-6789

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- **The Van Buren Football Booster Club is excited to invite you to become a permanent part of the newly renovated Citizens Bank Stadium.** They are selling engravable bricks that will be displayed at the entrance for \$100 each. For more information, follow the link: <https://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/vbfootball>

- Just a reminder, when a student turns 16, he or she must get a **meningitis vaccine** according to state law.
- Follow us on social media! **Twitter:** @VanBurenHS @PointerUpdate @VBHS_Counseling @VBSDPointers

Facebook: Van Buren High School, VBSD,

Van Buren High School Counselors

Friday, September 16

Deadline to Register for October ACT
7:00pm Football vs. Greenbrier @ Home
BAND COURT

Saturday, September 17

8:00am Cross Country in Panther Classic @ Siloam Springs

Sunday, September 18

Monday, September 19

Golf in Conference Tournament @ Big Creek Golf and Country Club in Mountain Home
4:00pm Tennis vs. Alma @ Home
5:00pm Volleyball vs. Hackett @ Home
6:00pm JV Football @ Alma

Tuesday, September 20

Golf in Conference Tournament @ Big Creek Golf and Country Club in Mountain Home
4:00pm Tennis vs. Greenwood @ Home
SENIOR NIGHT
4:30pm Volleyball @ Harrison (JV/V)

Wednesday, September 21

Happy Birthday, Colleen O'Connor!
EVENT - COLLEGE FAIR/SOPHOMORE CLASS MEETING

Thursday, September 22

10:30am Title I Meeting
3:30pm Tennis @ Mountain Home
5:30pm Title I Meeting
5:30pm Volleyball vs. Siloam Springs @ Home (JV1, JV2, V)

Friday, September 23

7:00pm Football @ Greenwood

UPCOMING FALL EVENTS!

Thursday, September 22	Title I Meeting @ 10:30am/5:30pm
Tuesday, October 18	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm P/T Conferences 3:30-6:30pm
Thursday, October 20	Early Dismissal @ 2:00pm P/T Conferences 3:30-6:30pm
Friday, October 21	NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, October 26	Make-up School Pictures
Mon-Fri, November 21-25	NO SCHOOL - Fall Break
Wednesday, December 14	Semester Exams
Thursday, December 15	Semester Exams
Friday, December 16	Make-up Semester Exams
December 19-January 2	NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
Tuesday, January 3	Students Return for 2nd Semester

UPCOMING PROJECTS/TESTS

TEACHER	COURSE	DESCRIPTION	DUE DATE	MORE INFO
Carlson	AP Biology	Chapters 1, 2.5 Transpiration Test	Thursday, Sept. 22	rebecca.carlson@vbsd.us

