

East Valley High School



Newsletter

Home of the Red Devils

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WASL Spring Testing Information

The WASL testing dates for spring are:

March 16 and 17 – Reading

March 18 and 19 – Writing

April 13 and 14 – Math

April 20 and 21 – Science

Please mark your calendar and begin planning controllable absences around these dates now. All freshmen and sophomores will take the WASL. Juniors and seniors that have not taken or passed all or any portion of the WASL are required to take those portions not yet passed.

Math requirement explanation – Those juniors and seniors who have not passed the math portion of the WASL are required to take the test this spring. This is in addition to the requirement that they continue to be enrolled in math and earn at least one math credit for each year beyond the sophomore year that they have not passed. The state requirement to graduate without passing the WASL in math is twofold – to continue to take the test each spring and to continue to enroll in math classes toward learning the skills needed to become proficient at the state standard in math. This second requirement is defined as earning one credit per year in a high school level math course.

Failed a class? (How to Make Up Credit)

The first semester concluded on Jan. 26th and the report card enclosed indicates the performance of your child during that period. These grades have been posted to their high school transcript. Remember that students must earn 23 total credits to graduate. Those students who failed a class have available to them the credit retrieval program to make up most classes. This program operates through the Learning Academy as a seventh period class meeting daily from 2:35 to 3:25. Cost to enroll is \$75 per class. Call 573-7489 for more information.

Parents Asked to Review School Discipline Procedures

An Ad Hoc committee will be meeting on February 18th from 5:30 – 7:00 to review the high school discipline policies. If you would like to serve on this one-meeting committee or would like more information, please call assistant principal, Allen Andringa at 573-7421. The school discipline plan is reviewed on an annual basis with revisions made for printing of the student handbook the following year.

Senior Project Presentation Dates Set Volunteer Panelists Needed

The dates for presentation of senior projects have been set for the evenings of **Feb. 24th, Feb 26th and March 3rd**. Students will schedule a time to present only after having completed, turned in, and been approved on all the project steps leading up to the presentation. Reminder to all seniors – the completion of a senior project is required to graduate in the State of Washington.

Any and all community members who would be interested in serving on a panel to view senior project presentations are needed and welcome. The time commitment is minimal, as little as three hours. Panel members will view presentations and provide feedback, but not be responsible to make a final determination of passing. If you are willing to assist, please contact either Mrs. Matthews (573-7410) or Mrs. Thomas (573-7453).

December Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students who were selected by the faculty as the students of the month for December. Criteria for selection are service in the community or school and academic performance. There are no nominations for athletic reasons.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Student</u>
Fine Arts	Paige Perrault
Career Tech Ed	Paige Delp
Career Tech Ed	Stephen Rehn
Science	Isabel Zarate
English	Alex Devine
Military Science	Kelsey Berry
World Languages	Carrie Gooss
Math	Callie Skahan
Health & Fitness	Omar Manzo
Student Services	Nik Hernandez
Social Studies	Taylor Moench

Paige Perrault was selected by staff as the most outstanding EVHS student for December.

Mr. East Valley Contestants Selected

By a vote of the ASB, twelve senior boys were selected to participate in the Mr. East Valley Pageant and Children's Miracle Network fundraiser. Numerous fund raising activities have been occurring and will continue leading up to the pageant at the Capital Theater on March 20th. Seniors in the pageant are: Kory Sauve, Drew Gibbs, Ryker Ackley, Jon Buchanan, Andrew Long, Brad Puckett, Colby Flory, Kyle Thomas, Sean Byers, Steven Dobbs, Sky Hilliard, and Taylor Klein. Pageant coordinators are: Angie Perrotti, Paige Perrault, Zuria Gonzales, Taylor Moench and Kelsey Chase. Mrs. Soriano is the advisor.

PE Students Show Off Their Fitness

Congratulations to the following students in the fitness classes of Mrs. Perrault who met Presidential (top 15% in the nation), and National (top 50% in the nation) Standards in recent Presidential Challenge testing. In the Presidential category was, Magaly Carrillo. Those in the National group were: Steven Dann, Jade Holloway, Madison Lenseigne, Macie Morales, Conner Schneider, Mikaela Zimmer, Maleah Grant, Lisa Bjorklund, Danae Holzer, Kaitlin Kelsch, Edith Rodriguez, Jeryn Gonzales, Leslie Munoz, and Alex Phillips. A new school record was set in the male 17 year-old category by Alex Phillips in the Shuttle Run (8.1 sec.), and Edith Rodriguez tied the 17 year old record for females in Curl-ups with 58. GREAT JOB DONE BY ALL!!

GEAR UP News and Opportunities

News - Parents and students - State Capitol - On Feb. 18, all of the GEAR UP programs across the state are planning to bring students and parents from the GEAR UP cohorts to talk to Legislators about what GEAR UP is doing in their districts. We will be taking 10 students and 10 parents from East Valley representing our high school GEAR UP program on this day.

News - Parents and students - Math and Science Technology Updated! - GEAR UP has provided the EVHS Math and Science departments with enhancement funds to improve their programs, classrooms, and teaching. The technology ordered will be used with students starting with this year's second semester.

Opportunity for students - New Video Production Class - GEAR UP has provided funding for the new technology class offered second semester, titled "Video Production". The class provides the opportunity to work with cameras, handheld cams and a High Definition Studio Camera, plus working with video editing software. Learn how to produce your own high quality videos for fun and exploring a possible post secondary career. It will be taught by Mr. Bishop during first period and will fulfill Occupational Ed graduation requirements.

Opportunity for students - U of W Dance Class - After school -Planned for February 23-27 (5 school days), from 3:00 pm -4:00pm at the Moxee City Dance Hall. This is the second visit by Jennifer Salk, Associate Professor at the School of Dance, at the University of Washington. This is an excellent time for learning, creating, meeting a university professor, talking with graduate students about their college experience, and having a lot of fun!

Running Start Informational Meeting

The Running Start Program is a partnership between Yakima Valley Community College and the area public high schools. The program offers eligible high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to enroll in regular college classes on the YVCC campus and to receive both high school and college credit for those classes. Students may choose to enroll simultaneously in high school and college classes, or solely in college classes. The State of Washington pays for college tuition costs, all other costs must be paid by the student--including transportation, lab fees and necessary books and supplies. Running Start is intended for students that are able to be successful in an environment in which they will have more independence than in the high school setting.

An informational meeting for students considering attending Running Start next year and their parents will be held on February 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the library. Attendance is strongly encouraged as there is important information to understand before deciding about participation.



Mark Your Calendars

<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Event & Location</u>
Feb 16	No School - Presidents Day
Feb 17	No School - Teacher Inservice Day
Feb 21	Sweet Hearts Dance 8:30 - 11:30
Feb 23	Knowledge Bowl Regionals
Feb 23-27	UW Dance Class Moxee Dance Hall 3:00 - 4:00
Feb 24	Senior Project Presentations 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Feb 26	Senior Project Presentations 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Feb 26	Running Start Informational Meeting in the library 7:00 - 8:00 pm
March 3	Senior Project Presentations 6:00 - 8:30 pm
March 5	Wind Ensemble Festival at CWU
March 12	Winter Band Concert - 7:00 pm
March 14	Twin Tolo 8:00 to 11:00 pm
March 16	WASL Testing - Reading
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March 20	Mr. EV Pageant - 7:00 pm Capitol Theater
March 30 - April 3	Spring Vacation

East Valley High School - Mission Statement

We will work together to create a safe school environment in which EVHS students are prepared to be responsible and productive citizens in the 21st century.