

East Valley High School



Newsletter

Home of the Red Devils

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Washington Assessment of Student Learning - Spring Testing Information

The WASL testing dates for spring are March 16, 17, 18, 19 (reading and writing portions) and April 13, 14, 20, 21 (math and science portions). As WASL testing opportunities are limited and a student cannot make-up a portion of the test due to absence (regardless of the reason), it is very important that all freshmen, sophomores and upperclassmen that have yet to pass be in attendance. If absent, the student will have to wait until the next testing opportunity in August. Showing proficiency on the WASL is a requirement to graduate from high school.

WASL Testing Regulations

The following expectations will be in place for all students taking the Washington Assessment of Student Learning -

- Attendance is required. If a student is absent they cannot make the test up. In that case, the student will have to wait until the next testing opportunity in August.
- All students need to arrive on time. The door will be locked promptly at 7:50, with late students not being permitted to enter.
- Cell phones and electronic devices will not be permitted into the testing classroom. Students that have electronic devices will have them collected as they enter the classroom. Students found with an electronic device after they have been collected will have their test collected immediately and the test will be invalidated. This is true even if the device is turned off.
- Students should bring number two pencils and a novel to read in the event that they finish early. During one day of the math testing, calculators are permitted and students may bring their own calculator if they wish.
- All WASL tests are multiple days per subject area. If a student misses one of the days, it will not be possible to earn a passing score in that subject area. If a student is absent the first day, they will be permitted to attend the second day and take the test as long as they are not disruptive to other students.

Daily School Schedule

Altered Only on Math WASL Test Dates

The EVHS daily schedule of classes will be on a normal schedule for all WASL testing dates with the exception of math, which tests on April 13 and 14. On these dates only, those taking the test will arrive at school at the normal time. Those that have already passed the math portion should arrive to school at 9:55. Classes will be on a block schedule of 75 minutes each on these two test days, with the rotation below -
Periods 1,3,5 on 4/13

Periods 2,4,6 on 4/14

We are able to run a regular school schedule on the other testing dates due to the high percentage of students that have already passed the WASL. Our students have performed exceptionally well, especially in reading and writing, and as a result the number that remain to pass the test is relatively small.

2009-2010 ASB Officers Elected

By a vote of the student body, the following students were elected to represent the ASB serving as officers -

President: Zach Vanderhoof

V. President: Amanda Chouinard

Secretary: Tayler Moench

Act. Director: Justin Valicoff

Sweethearts Royalty

This year's Sweethearts Royalty consisted of freshman Tracy Martin & Jacob Roy, sophomores Lacy Christenson & Anthony Davido, Juniors Isabel Zarate & Jordan Cameron & Seniors Lauren Walker & Jesse Hamlin. This year's king was Jesse Hamlin & queen was Isabel Zarate. The Royalty raised almost \$2,000 with more than half coming from Jesse Hamlin's concert benefit for his senior project!! Fantastic Job!! Congratulations Jesse & Isabel.

Senior Projects

Final Presentation Deadline Approaching

The final deadline for seniors to present a senior project is rapidly approaching. Those who completed projects on time presented in February and March. Those who did not meet the original deadline have been given an extension, usually accompanied by additional requirements. The final panel presentations will be completed on April 13 and 14. Seniors must have all project steps completed and have signed up for a presentation time with Mrs. Thomas no later than April 7th. Available presentation time slots will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

EVHS Musicians Continue to Impress

Congratulations to Kyle Martin, Senior-Alto\Soprano Saxophone division, and Fabio Pena, Freshman-Tenor\Baritone Saxophone division, on winning their category at our regional Solo and Ensemble Contest. They will compete at the State Solo Contest at CWU on April 25. EVHS also had two first alternate ensembles, a Saxophone Quartet and a chamber wind group of 16 students.

East Valley can also be proud of the accomplishments of our vocalists. Six singers, performing as an ensemble, are first alternates for State. Congratulations to Becky Yates, Alex Devine, Tisha Hannah, Sharise Petty, Domii St. George, and Sarah Reifel.



Mark Your Calendars

<u>Date & Time</u>	<u>Event & Location</u>
March 16 - 17	WASL - Reading
March 18 - 19	WASL - Writing
March 20	Club Meetings
March 20	Mr. EV Pageant 7:00 pm Capital Theater
March 21	Twin Tolo Dance 8:00 - 11:00 pm
Mar 30 - Apr 3	Spring Break - No School
April 11	FCCLA Community Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 pm
April 13 - 14	WASL - Math
April 20 - 21	WASL - Science
GRADUATION	June 6 7:00 pm

Having Gifts Delivered to School

Often parents ask shops to deliver flowers, balloons, and gifts to school to then be delivered to a student. We would request that parents and friends do not do so. Most often the flowers or balloons are so large that there is no where for the student to put them. They do not fit in a locker and are too large to take to class. The gift then ends up staying in the office all day as a result. Parents wishing to bring flowers or balloons are welcome to come during lunchtime and deliver the gift directly to their child and take them home with them after lunch.

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Students of the Month

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

<u>Department</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>
Student Services	Noemi Barbosa	Talia Pierone
Fine Arts	Kathleen Voss	Fabio Pena
Career Tech Ed	Josh Assink	Lindsey Remmerdan
Science	Erin Sybouts	Omar Manzo
English	Averi Ramunke	Spencer Stepniewski
Military Science	Justin Laurvick	Holly Theirolf
World Languages		Jacob Marks
Math	Kathleen Voss	Adriana Sandoval
Health & Fitness	Alex Phillips	Jared Hocson
Social Studies	Rachel Chandler	Stephanie George

Kathleen Voss was selected by staff as the most outstanding EVHS student during the month of January. **Jacob Marks** was the schoolwide recipient for February.

Announcements for Juniors and Seniors

- Seniors - Baby pictures are needed for the graduation slide show. Write your name on the back and turn it in to Mr. Bishop. Deadline is April 15.
- Seniors - check the scholarship board and pick up applications. Many local scholarships are posted.
- Seniors who receive scholarships should notify the counseling office. Often the awarding agency fails to notify the school. We would like to mention your awards at graduation. Thank you in advance for helping us.
- Seniors - Those who have not completed a senior project must complete all project steps prior to April 7th.
- Juniors - College bound juniors should be registering for the SAT or ACT this spring. Apply online at www.collegeboard.com or www.act.org.

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