



Forever a Mustang

Monthly Newsletter for Hidden Valley High School

January 2017

-A Note from the Principal-

Well... this week students will begin and finish their final exams from semester one. For seniors, first semester exams are bittersweet because they highlight the short time remaining before the end of their high school days. For them, the challenging and exciting adult world is right around the corner and excitement and worry begin to gain momentum. With this idea in mind, I met with the senior students to discuss and explain the personalization of the diploma with an advisory checkoff sheet. This tracking mechanism is not meant to be a stressor to our seniors or advisors. It merely is an evidence tracker of some of the things that are required of the state over four years with documenting the career related learning standards. This sheet will be placed in the student's cumulative file once completed by them and their advisor. In part I have had countless conversations the last month with students about personal choices, the world of work, and the next steps in their education. These conversations have been pointed and focused on career and personal readiness in a world changing so rapidly that the jobs they think they want may not even exist by the time they are in their 30s. Essentially I ask students, "Are you making choices that enhance life and prepare you for the world of work or not?" The first part of each conversation is usually centered on the characteristics that make people successful and valuable in the world of work. Although there are many of these qualities, I usually focus on what I call the big five: dependability, flexibility, initiative, positive attitude, and motivation. I also highlight that intelligence, although valuable, is not necessarily one of the most important readiness characteristics found in successful adults. More than intelligence, these other things make people very valuable to employers and customers. In fact, the majority of successful people were not straight A students. Instead they were solid students with a good combination of the five characteristics and a drive to work hard. As we finish the semester, now is a time to finish what students started in September. Please have a tracking conversation about progress with your student and especially if they are a senior- it is my hope that you are helping them make plans around their next steps for life after June 6.

Cheers,

Daye Stone, Principal

Brian Miller, Athletic Director

Lise VanBrunt, Assistant Principal

Hidden Valley High School

651 Murphy Creek Road

Grants Pass, OR 97527

7:30 am to 4:00 pm

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Student Life



February at a Glance

- 2- Josten's here to meet with Juniors
- 4- Winter Ball
- 10- No Classes/End of Semester
- 18- Crab Feed (see flyer)
- 20- President's Day/No Classes
- 23- Drama club Play
- 27- Spring Sports Begin



Student Of The Month



Jesus

Martinez



Spring Sports begin February 27.
Fess for all sports are \$100.



After school tutoring is available every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday until 5:30 pm. This is a great opportunity for students to get caught up on homework and make up tests. Snacks and activity buses are available.

Drama Club

The Drama Club will be performing Suite Surrender at Hidden Valley on Thursday, February 23 and Friday, February 24. **The cost is \$5 adults and \$3 students.**

"It's 1942, and two of Hollywood's biggest divas have descended upon the luxurious Palm Beach Royale Hotel -- assistants, luggage, and legendary feud with one another in tow. Everything seems to be in order for

their wartime performance...that is, until they are somehow assigned to the same suite. Mistaken identities, overblown egos, double entendres, and a lap dog named Mr. Boodles round out this hilarious riot of a love note to the classic farces of the 30s and 40s."

The Josephine County Foundation is accomplishing great things in our community. This year we have already completed 7 major projects including: Student Enrichment Program, Project CASH, and Hug-a-Sheriff project.

The Student Enrichment Program is an annual project that provides funding for programs to engage students. This year, 22 grants were awarded to the schools of Josephine County, adding up to a total of \$20,000.

Project CASH is a new project. CASH stands for Correctly Applied Spending Habits. It was designed to teach elementary students about the American Enterprise System and the importance of budgeting. It was successfully implemented in eight classrooms!

The Hug-a-Sheriff project was introduced in 2016. The purpose of this project is to encourage everyone to “hug a sheriff” to show appreciation for all that they do.

The Josephine County Foundation is not stopping after these projects, we have many more planned for this year alone. We will implement Project JAIL (Juvenile Alcohol Impairment Learning) in early April. This program is created to educate students about the consequences of impaired driving and underage drinking. We will film a mock crash that simulates real life mistakes of drinking and driving.

Hidden Valley FFA Annual Dinner Auction

Saturday, March 4



-Live music performed by the Hidden Valley High School Jazz Band.

-Silent and live auction with products donated by local businesses and community members.

-Dinner Auction proceeds will go towards travel expenses to competitions, conventions and other FFA activities.

**Admission is \$5 at the door.
Children 10 & under and Veterans get in free!**

Hidden Valley Booster Club Presents Its



**4th Annual All-You-Can-Eat
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CRAB FEED

Booster Club Fundraiser

2017



Saturday, February 18, 2017
Hidden Valley High School

Dinner: 6:00 pm

Come for the Food & Friends!
There will be a Dessert Auction

Tickets \$35 each.

Tickets must be reserved by February 11th

**For advance tickets, call Hidden Valley High School
at 541-862-2124**