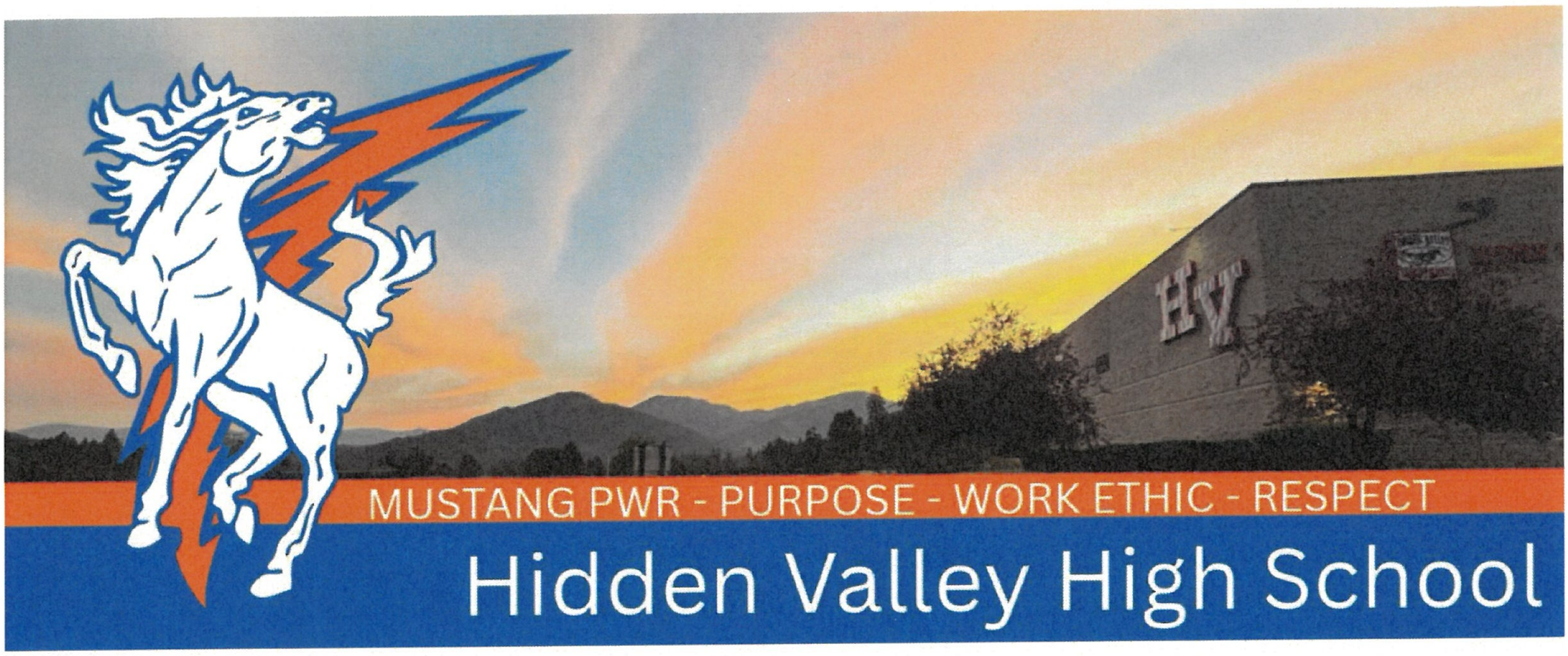


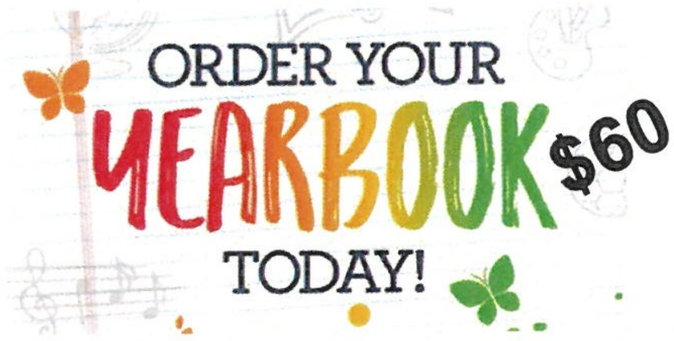
Principal's Message — October 2026

Mustang Families,

October has arrived, and there may not be a better time of year to be a Mustang! Fall in Southern Oregon is pretty special. The mornings are getting cooler, the leaves around campus are beginning to change, fall sports are in full swing, and there is an energy around Hidden Valley that makes this one of my favorite times of the school year.

As we enter October, I want to start with an important reminder about attendance and being on time. Simply put, students need to be at school and in class when the bell rings. Oregon attendance requirements, Three Rivers School District expectations, and our HVHS Student Handbook all emphasize regular attendance and punctuality. Every absence, late arrival, and tardy represents lost instructional time. Those minutes add up quickly.

Our goal is not simply compliance with attendance laws or school rules. We want our students here because being present matters. Students who attend regularly are more connected to their teachers and classmates, keep up academically, and are much more likely to succeed. Families can help tremendously by making regular and on-time attendance a priority. Our staff will continue working with students and families when attendance or tardiness becomes a concern.



Mustang P.W.R. — More Than Just Words

At Hidden Valley, our core values are an important part of the fabric of who we are:

Mustang P.W.R. — Purpose. Work Ethic. Respect.

These aren't simply words on a wall or something we talk about at the beginning of the school year. They are the values we want to see reflected every day in our classrooms, hallways, athletic fields, activities, and throughout our community.

Purpose means understanding that what we do today matters and having a reason behind our choices. Work Ethic means showing up, putting in the effort, persevering when things become difficult, and taking pride in doing things the right way. Respect means how we treat our classmates, teachers, staff, opponents, visitors, our school, and ourselves.

Being at school every day and getting to class on time is Mustang P.W.R. Working hard in a class that challenges you is Mustang P.W.R. Picking up a piece of trash in the hallway, helping another student, representing HVHS well at an athletic event, or simply treating another person with kindness is Mustang P.W.R.