HIDDEN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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WE ARE ON THE WEB

http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us/hvhs
CALENDAR:

WWW.SKYLINEOREGONCONFERENCE.ORG

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- 1/21 Martin Luther Kings Birthday No Classes
- 1/31 Progress Reports Out
- 2/6 Evening Conferences
- 2/7 Conference Day No Classes
- 2/8 No School All Students
- 2/18 Presidents Day No Classes

Hidden Valley has many successes that we are committed to celebrate. Traditionally, most school systems have drawn attention to academic and athletic success that in many arenas transfer to after school accomplishment for most. As we improve school spirit and attitude here at Hidden Valley, it has been important for us to extend what we celebrate as a school so that every student gains access to success that is noted by both peers and adults. A large part of our focus will continue to spotlight the little things of positive student choices. This focus has helped establish an emphasis on soft skills that are directly applicable to adult life after school. We have implemented the PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention System) approach of behavioral support to aid our efforts.

The PBIS system focuses on students doing the "right" thing in regards to being respectful, responsible, and acting safe. There are literally hundreds of soft skills that fall under these three main areas of emphasis. Our staff is committed to handing out mustang cards that recognize students going above and beyond in these areas by acknowledging achievement. Furthermore, our staff will be sending out spotlight cards to parents that share some of these inspiring stories of mustang students that do us all proud.

Victory at Hidden Valley is embedded and commemorated in all that we do, and it is my hope that this attitude and direction will empower beyond our walls in such a manner that our students and community gain benefit from.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daye Stone, HVHS Principal

MUSTANG SUCCESS

"WHATEVER IT TAKES!"

Attendance Procedure for an absence:

- When your child is absent, please call the school prior to the end of the school
 day. If this is not possible, send a note with your child the day they return to
 school.
- All absences must be cleared within three days of your child returning to school.
 Otherwise the absence will become unexcused. It is essential that you take care of this.
- It is the student's responsibility to ask teachers for missed work. For work that is
 missed for excused, school related or verified absences you will be allowed two
 days for each day absent in which to make up the work assigned during the absence.
- For Extended absences (three or more days), where the illness or injury is of such
 a nature that students are able to do their homework, homework requests will be
 honored. The parents/guardians should contact the school office to arrange to
 periodically pick up homework assignments. Please allow at least one school day
 for the homework to be turned in by your students teachers.
- For a Contracted Absence (prearranged), pick up a "Contracted Absence Form" from the main office. You will need to present a note to the office verifying the absence prior to receiving the form. It is the students responsibility to take the form to all of the teachers for approval and assignments. The student must return the completed form to the office for administrative approval You can then take some of your schoolwork with you and do it before you return.

MUSTANG FIGHT SONG Charging forward with our Mustang might Hidden Valley knows how to fight Tried and true; Orange 'n' blue; Win tonight Go, Mustangs Go, Mighty Mustangs Come on and go, Mustangs, go Fight on with hearts strong with pride Foes will fall; Our resolve will not be denied Lift your voices and sing Our victory will ring So cheer on Hidden Valley High Come on, Mustangs, go! M - U - S - T - A - N - GMustangs, Mustangs, go-go-go! Lift up your voices and sing Our victory will ring So cheer on Hidden Valley High Come on, Mustangs, go -- --Let's Go!

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FROM COUNSELING

If your student has a 3.5 or

RCC Scholarship

above, they should apply for the Rogue Ambassador Program at RCC. They will need to complete the RCC placement test and submit the application at www.roguecc.edu/ rogueambassadors/ This is the program giving students a 50% break in their first year at RCC, and if they maintain a 3.5 grade point, their second year of college is ENTIRELY FREE. There is a limit to the number of students who will be in this program, so if your child is eligible, NOW is the time to apply.

Local Scholarships

The LOCAL scholarship applications are ready for completion: these are all online at: http://jocoeducationfund.com/

Help Your Student Apply Fill out the complete application, and print two copies, one for you and one for the Counseling Office. Check to see which scholarships your child is eligible to apply for. Make sure to note if any additional criteria is required. Students will all need to prepare an activities page, write a 300 word personal essay, collect 4 letters of recommendation and pay \$5.00 to the bookkeeper at HVHS. Complete instructions available in both B1

and the Counseling Office. The deadline is: January 11, 2013.
OSAC

The OSAC scholarship application is now available online at

www.OregonStudentAid.g

This is one giant application with links to over 400 scholarships from ORE-GON. It is a real tortureby-scholarship-application, so get your student a snack, some soft pillows and drinks as they work on this one. This is a huge opportunity to compete against other Oregon students, not the entire country. Final deadline is not until March 1, 2013. Students who submit early, will have the chance for someone to overview and return it if something is missing. Aim for submission in early January! The activity chart, recommendation letters and personal essays required by the local scholarships are all the same for the OSAC, so save all that work for use in both.

***This is the application with four personal statements (available in B1) which the student should be extremely careful to have corrected, polished, shined, and made as absolutely fabulous as possible. It is helpful for them to plan to have at least three adults proof read their essays. It is not about who tells the best sob sto-

ry, but rather who does the best job of sharing "who they are".

Four Year College Bound Now is the time to apply to any four-year colleges on your students list of chosen schools. Double check for available scholarships on that schools' website. Remember to submit a permission slip (signed by the student) in Counseling giving permission for HVHS to send a transcript.

FAFSA

Register for your FAFSA pin number at: www.pin.ed.gov and have your student ALSO register for a pin of their own Plan to submit your FAFSA in the first week or two of January, the sooner you complete the form, the sooner the 4 year colleges will be able to send you their financial aid offer.

The FAFSA is all online at www.fafsa.ed.gov There is a 800 number you can call to get help from a live person, and offers an online chat help as well. If you know of a student who does not have computer access, they are welcome to come into B1 and use the Career Center computers to fill out their FAFSA form.

Last, but not least, encourage your student to keep their grades and course

rigor high through the end of the year, as that last transcript will be going to their college of choice, and lost out on admission/aid packages if they let things slip too far. U of O no longer accepts any students who graduate early to get out of finishing High School. Sticking it out and finishing strong is very much in your students best interest if a four year school is in the plans.

Please consider joining the group "Hidden Valley Aspire Program College and Career Tips" on Facebook. We in the Career Center are happy to help you answer basic questions, and of course the Counseling Office is an excellent resource for the more difficult questions. You can call and leave a voicemail for us at 541-862-2124 ext.215



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GET YOUR HV YEARBOOK!

This trimester our yearbook class is working on our annual add campaign. Please contact Ben Bickle @ 541-727-1928 or bickleb@gmail.com if you or someone you know would like to place an advertisement or message to graduates in the 2012 -2013 yearbooks. If you do not have the need for an ad but would still like to show your support feel free to donate, any form of non-ad donation will be recognized on our supporter's

page. We would also like to remind all of you that Hidden Valley yearbook has a Facebook page and now that we are entering the winter sports season. Please remember to post any school, sport, or school activity pictures you get this winter. The sports we are focusing on are: swimming, fencing, boys/girls basketball JV/Varsity, wrestling, boys/girls bowling, and cheerleading. Thank you and have a great holiday season!



Ad Rates:

Full Page \$600

1/2 Page \$400

1/4 Page \$200

1/8 Page \$100

Other contact yearbook staff.

Booster Club.

Our December 12th meeting included election of officers. We had previously elected Tracy Lindorf as the Secretary. Terry Larson was voted in as President, Dale Fisher as Vice-President, MaryRae Anderson as Treasurer, Pete Allen as Public Relations and the two at large members elected are Sheri Larsen and Tammy Allen. We are excited to have a full board of directors in place. Some of the current projects the Booster Club is working on are selling clothing and spirit items at all of the home basketball games, helping to paint our hallways and working on new fund raising ideas. The club will be running the concessions stand for the North Valley basketball game on January 25th including a soup and grilled cheese sandwich menu. We would love to have you join in any or all of the activities we have planned. The Bi-Laws are being updated and will be presented for approval at the January meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for January 28th in the high school commons at 6:30 pm.

FBLA

FBLA Rogue-Umpqua Regionals Saturday, Feb. 2nd Grants Pass High School 8:45 AM to 2 PM Business Attire



Apply now for scholarships

Now through March 1, future college students can apply for scholarships to help meet college costs.

- The RCC Foundation annually awards nearly \$700,000 in scholarships. Applications accepted beginning mid December. Visit www.rccfoundation.org.
- To be considered for more than 450 scholarships worth over \$18,000,000, visit the Oregon Student Access Commission at www.getcollegefunds.org/scholarships.aspx.
- Research and apply for private scholarships at RCC Scholarship Central, www.roguecc.edu/FinancialAid/Scholarships.
- Visit national scholarship sites such as www.fastweb.org, www.collegeboard.com and www.scholarships.com.





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Athletics—Winter Sports update

Basketball- Both Boys and Girls teams have started league play. We played North Valley on Friday January 4th; both teams played extremely well and demonstrated their progress that they've made to this point in the season.

<u>Boys-</u> During Christmas break the boys teams competed in the Stayton Classic and North Marion invitational; they made great strides in their teamwork and understanding of the sport.

<u>Girls</u>— The girls competed in the Stayton Classic, and had the unfortunate event of having their game verses Del Norte canceled because of the snow day. The JV and JV2 teams were scheduled to play at the Grants Pass tournament and were also canceled because of the snow







days. With the lack of competition over break the girls have really made positive progress in their skills.

Wrestling - Over break the wrestlers competed in 3 tournaments, Myrtle Point, Mazama, and North Medford. The team finished with multiple top 10 finishes in each weight class lead by senior Brad Hyatt with 1 first place and 2 seconded place finishes.

<u>Swimming</u> – Southern Oregon University was the site of the second meet of the year for the swim team. The participants have made great strides for this being the second meet of the year. On Wednesday January 9th they will be headed back to SOU for their 3rd meet.

<u>Bowling -</u> Girls bowling have competed in 3 competitions and are looking forward to their next meet in Grants Pass at

Caveman bowl on the 13th. The boys have competed in 2 meets and are also looking forward to the meet on the 13th at Caveman Bowl, many thanks to Matt Mettler for going above and beyond and assisting the men's bowling team and ensuring that they got to compete.

Equestrian Team— The Equestrian Team their first demonstration before Christmas break when they had a miniature horse pull Santa Claus (AKA Mr. Fisher) up on stage for an assembly. They're practicing twice a week to ready themselves for their first meet on February 1st, 2nd, and 3rd at the Jackson County Expo.

Spring Sports Coming Up Feb 25!

Baseball, Golf, Softball, Tennis and Track.

SENIOR PARENTS

The Senior Parents have the privilege of providing a fun, safe, drug and alcohol free graduation party called Project Graduation for our graduates. The Senior Parents are also responsible for Senior Super Stars, Baccalaureate and a class picture board. We need as many parents as possible to help with all these Senior functions. Parents are asked to pay a \$40 fee which is specifically set aside for Project Graduation. This helps decrease the amount of fundraising needed. If you have not done so, please consider paying this as soon as possible. Please note "Project Graduation 2013" on the memo line. Please plan to attend the Senior Parent meetings in the commons at HV at 6pm on these dates: Jan. 14th, Feb. 11th, Mar. 18th, Apr. 8th, May 6th, May 13th, May 20th, June 3rd. Graduation is fast approaching, please be a part of making this a fun and successful night for our kids!

Parents! Increase the safety of your teen driver, and everyone on the road! Enroll your student today in RCC's ODOT approved driver education course. Cost is \$249 and includes 30 hours of classroom instruction along with 12 hours of behind-the-wheel training. Let us help keep your teen safe. Visit our website at www.rccdrivered.com to find a class nearest you and call us today at 541-956-7116 to register.