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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Happy winter! It seems as if the cold weather has set in and we are heading for break-looking forward to snow. This month, I would like to share what Hidden Valley High School is doing to recognize students and staff through our Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) program.

Upon reflecting and working to come up with a consistent way of recognizing excellence as a school- our PBIS Committee came up with the idea of hosting thematic quarter assemblies for students and staff. Going along with our Veteran's Celebration, we decided to use the "Service Above Self" theme for choosing the students and staff that would be recognized. The nomination process started with each teacher nominating one student from advisory. Upon these nominations, then administration went to the student body for student to student nominations... followed by student and staff nominations for certified and classified staff. Of course recognizing a few is a start and by no means a complete list of students and staff that go above and beyond for others. This being noted, we held the first quarter Service Above Self assembly where parents were notified to attend if they would like.

Another initiative that we are heading this year is that of Strive for Less Than Five. This details that students are not to be gone for more than five days each semester. We have printed banners with a custom logo and they are being hung around our school as a reminder that more than ten days absent a year is not meeting the standard in regards to attendance. In all, recognizing students and staff with quarter awards combined with distinguished attendance (perfect and great- which is less than two days) was a hit for both parents and students. During my six years as principal, this was the first time we recognized teachers and classified staff in front of the student body using a nomination process. It was obvious, the students and staff enjoyed it and we will continue this throughout the school year. Our second quarter assembly will be using the mantra "Pay It Forward" to go with the giving season. If you know of someone that would like to nominate a student, forms can be found in the office to complete and submit.

Right after the winter break, we will be rolling out an additional recognition program where our staff initiates at least three positive contacts a week with parents. This will be called the PRIDE (perseverance, respect, integrity, diversity, excellence) program. We are creating a list of students in our school that has all of the contact information of parents and when we see something great... we then will take a moment to send a quick email to that parent letting them know what positive was noticed. I, like many of our staff members, will have this on my phone and will be able to quickly pull a contact and send a quick email. Sometimes, parents do not hear the best concerning our children and this will be an attempt to change that systematically... I am excited, to say the least, to get this going! There will be more to come next month on this roll out.

It is our hope that our effort will celebrate the great things our students are doing as members of our school community. This will ensure that the end of each quarter and everything in between should be a celebration of student success! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely,

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DECEMBER EVENTS

December 6—Cabaret
December 7—Senior College Night
December 11-15—Spirit Week
December 13—Band/Choir Concert
December 20—Jan 1 No School



Christmas Vacation
December 20 – January 1

FAFSA

Federal Student Aid

Hidden Valley High School is having a College Help Night, Wednesday, December 6th from 3:30 to 6:00 pm. The things we will be helping with are:

Scholarship Help: Scholarship season is upon us!! Students wanting help with writing essays, come see us! Poor grammar or punctuation can mean the difference between an essay winning or losing.

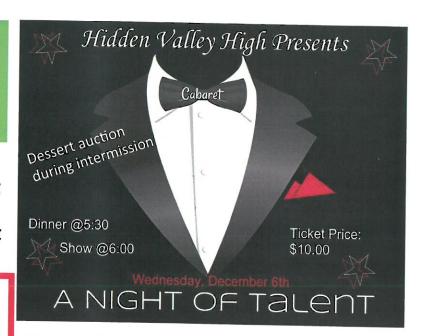
FAFSA Completion: The FAFSA needs to be done ASAP for any student hoping to attend ANY post-high schooling next fall.

College Selection: Lower income families have several resources to help meet education expenses. For middle income families, the available resources are fewer. We will help you make the wisest choices to avoid large amounts of debt.









Now Available:

Family Passes are now available for the Winter Season for **only \$60.00** Included in the family pass is 2 adults and school age children. With approx. 7 home basketball games and 2 wrestling tournaments, this is a **value of \$150**. Purchase your pass at Hidden Valley or any home game.

Student passes are also available for \$5.00.







The theme for the 1st quarter at Hidden Valley was "Service Above Self". Students were chosen by students, administration and teachers and recognized for their willingness to serve without having being asked or wanting recognition.

Mr. Powers and his family joined a team of 10 from Josephine County to help in the Hurricane Harvey cleanup. The Powers family worked with students from Hidden Valley and North Valley in the Houston area. The students spent 5 days in areas that experienced some of the worst devastation. They were able to assist widows, single-parents, and the elderly to clean-up or repair homes affected by the hurricane.

During their time they were able to make it to several different homes and help with things like fixing roofs, replacing bathrooms, tearing out drywall, replacing ceilings and insulation, and cleaning up and repairing areas affected by water and mold.

Students Service Above Self 1st Quarter 2017

Ryan Wilson Kippy Easley Aria Back

Alexis Bowlouden

Jonwyn Ayres Randi Beck Hannah Hughes Fisher Bastian Claire Wood Joy Bergman Joseph Gerson McKenna Lawson

Eulalie deSousa

Hope Gettys

Griffyn Matthews-Drake

Katelyn Rodriguez Pierce Reardon Sonny Powers Cambrie Quicke Sierra Combe Kaitlyn Musack Jasmine Pinkerton

Summer Smith

Staff Service Above Self 1st Quarter 2017

Ryan Clark Dan Speelman Madeleine Commons Nicole Brown

Students Perfect Attendance 1st Quarter 2017

Alex Abbott Joseph Bailey Daniel Beachy Jonas Beachy Sally Berg Jonathan Burgess Lucas Cross Joshua Dejesus Hannah Hughes

Aaron Perazzo Aileen Poynter

Chandler Reardon

Jadon Simpson

Brianna Stark

Leah Staten

Students Excellent Attendance 1st Quarter 2017

Clancy Allen Hunter Arnsdorf Wyatt Arnsdorf Arianna Arras Omar Arras Jonwyn Ayres Jesus Bedolla Andrew Bergeron Brandon Bergeron **Emily Bergeron** Katherine Bergeron Joseph Blanton Alexis Bowlouden Melanie Buchanan Gabriel Burchfield Anna Mae Caddock Kendra Caldwell-Ziglar

Cole Christian Benjamin Clark Wyndy Clark Natasha Combe Sierra Combe Rosa Duenas Kael Dymock Kaiah Fisher Noel Sandeen Selah Sandys Joshua Saunders Simon Schafer Arabella Serna

Erika Simpson

Summer Smith

Hidden Valley Booster Club All You Can Eat 5th Annual

e:00 pm Saturday, February 3, 2018

Call 541-862-2124 to purchase tickets