

# **COUGAR NATION NEWS**

May 2018

# NEWS FROM MR. SMITH

**Hello Cougars** 

Wow! This year has just absolutely flown by hasn't it? While I am shocked at how quickly it has gone, I am extremely proud as I reflect back on all of the great things we have done so far. Our students and families give us purpose and with all of us working together, Illinois Valley High School is a great place.

With warmer weather coming please make sure that your student is coming to school dressed appropriately. If clothing is not appropriate the school will have your student call home for a change of clothes or offer an option from the school clothing.

We are in the thick of our Spring Sports Season. Please check the dates in this newsletter and come support our awesome student athletes. I am extremely proud of the students and coaches who represent Cougar Athletics.

As a reminder, Illinois Valley High School is a closed campus. This means that once students get to school, they are prohibited from leaving and coming back unless they are checked out by parents/guardians. We are not an open campus for lunch.

Please make sure to check the rest of this letter for important dates as the Spring is a very busy time with Scholarship Night, Prom and Graduation amongst other things coming up quickly.

Tanner Smith Principal IVHS

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# **SPORTS SCHEDULE**

Softball: Girls Varsity	05/01/2018	4:30pm	Lost River
Baseball: Boys Varsity	05/01/2018	4:30pm	Lost River
FIELD TRIP	05/03/2018	8:15am-3:00pm	
Softball: Girls Varsity	05/04/2018	3:00pm	Gold Beach
Track: Varsity	05/04/2018	4:00pm	
Softball: Girls Varsity	05/05/2018	12:00pm	Lakeview
Baseball: Boys Varsity	05/05/2018	12:00pm	Lakeview
Softball: Girls Varsity	05/05/2018	2:00pm	Lakeview
Baseball: Boys Varsity	05/05/2018	2:00pm	Lakeview
Girls Golf: Girls Varsity	05/07/2018	9:00am	Henley
Softball: Girls JV	05/07/2018	3:00pm	Hosanna Christian
Baseball: Boys JV	05/07/2018	4:30pm	Hosanna Christian
Softball: Girls JV	05/07/2018	5:00pm	Hosanna Christian
Girls Golf: Girls Varsity	05/08/2018	9:00am	Henley
Baseball: Boys Varsity	05/08/2018	4:30pm	St. Mary's
Girls Golf Practice	05/09/2018	3:30pm-5:30pm	
Baseball: Boys JV	05/09/2018	4:30pm	Ashland
Equestrian: Varsity	05/10/2018	TBD	TBA
Equestrian: Varsity	05/11/2018	TBD	TBA
Track: Varsity	05/11/2018	TBD	Multiple Schools
Equestrian: Varsity	05/12/2018	TBD	TBA
Track: Varsity	05/12/2018	TBD	Multiple Schools
Softball: Girls Varsity	05/12/2018	12:00pm	Rogue River
Baseball: Boys Varsity	05/12/2018	12:00pm	Rogue River
Baseball: Boys Varsity	05/12/2018	2:00pm	Rogue River
Softball: Girls Varsity	05/12/2018	2:00pm	Rogue River
Equestrian: Varsity	05/13/2018	TBD	TBA

#### **Scholarship Awards Night**

The annual Scholarship Awards Night will be held in the commons at IVHS on May 22nd @ 6:30pm. The awards ceremony celebrates our senior students and all the hard work they have done while at IVHS through the presentation of scholarship awards they have been given by our wonderful and supportive community donors. Please make sure to join us for this celebration.

#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Illinois Valley High School is proud to have inducted 45 new Honor Society members for the 2017/18 school year on April 23d. These students were chosen as members based on a combination of their academic performance, leadership, community service contributions and excellence at IVHS. As the new Advisor for the Honor Society, Mrs. Skinner has big plans for the future service projects and continued leadership opportunities for her members. We are so proud of our Cougar Honor Society!

## **SUMMER SCHOOL**

This year summer school will start July 2  $\sim$  July 26, Monday thru Thursday from 8 to 12. Due to the 4th of July holiday the first week of school will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. Each class costs \$5.00 but all classes completed you will received your money back. There will be more information coming home in a few weeks.

#### SENIOR NEWS

There are several seniors that have outstanding fines. These need to be cleared up ASAP. Diplomas will be withheld for anyone a with balance due. Please see Mrs. Hall if you have any questions.



#### Dates to Remember

Booster Club mtg	May 2
SAT	May 5
Teacher appreciation week	May 7
Mothers Day	May 13
Field trip to Science Works	May 17
Prom	May 19
Scholarship Night	May 23
Val/Sal Luncheon	May 17
Talent Show	May 25
Memorial Day (no school)	May 28
Seniors last day	June 1
SAT	June 2
Graduation	June 7
ACT	June 9
Last day of school	June 13

#### **NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

Spring Sports are coming down to our last few meets, matches & games. Our track team has been improving every week. On April 25th the team competed at South Medford H. S. During the meet there were 15 student athletes who posted personal bests or in track language PR. Also, Kia Montoya took first in the Pole Vault with a vault of 10.00 feet. This is the first time we have had anyone take first in this event in a very long time. Aarika Brooks took second place in the Womens Varsity 100 Meters with a new school record of 12.61. They will be competing at home in their next two meets. May 4th is our twilight meet and May 11th & 12th is our district meet.

Softball is finishing strong by beating Rogue River on April 24th 14-11. They have a solid year with an overall record of 6-7. They have 8 more league games to see where they will finish in league. They have a nine game JV schedule which will only pay dividends down the road.

Equestrian is working their way to their districts also. Kayla Hicks is working very hard to be the best she can be.

Baseball has had a rough year. With 7 more leagues games they will need to win out to have a chance to go to state. They are 2-9 overall at this time.

Girls golf has one more match before districts at Running Y. Elizabeth (Lilly) Webb is our top golfer and will compete at districts.

Boys golf has had a rough go at it this year as Christian (Critter) Engles came into the season as our top golfer but injured himself. He may return to action by districts at Tokatee Golf Course on May 7th & May 8th. Scott Kern & Gabe Evans both had their best scores posted at Centennial on April 25th.





### **BEST IN SHOW!**

Colby Garman received a best in show ribbon in the Best of the Best art show put on by SOU. All Southern Oregon schools participate and they only gave out 13 ribbons this year. Good job Colby

# HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION NIGHT





# **Academic Masters**





Five of our students participated in Academic Masters. Dani Shinerock in science, Owen Dwyer in English, Taylor Hammers in Music, Rowdy Bates in Social Studies and Robert Kniffen in Math. Congratulations to our students!

We have several students that have been given internships at various businesses between Cave Junction & Grants Pass. Dr. Joe's Pet Hospital is one of them. Thank you to our community! Pictured is Adrianna Flores.

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Beautiful mountains surrounding the Illinois Valley