## OCTOBER 2025 HIDDEN VALLEY MUSTANG

### NEWSLETTER

Dear Hidden Valley Families,

October is one of the most exciting times of the year at HVHS. The fall season brings a lot of energy—our classrooms are in full swing, our sports teams are deep into their seasons, and our students are settling into important routines. As we move through this busy month, I'd like to share a few reminders and recommendations for staying connected and supporting your student's success.

First, I encourage all parents and guardians to remain actively engaged with your student's progress. Please take time to check ParentVUE regularly to review grades and assignments. If you ever have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out directly to your student's teachers—we value open communication and see families as essential partners in education. October is the heart of the season for our fall sports, and there is nothing better than the sound of Mustang fans cheering on our athletes. Your presence makes a real difference, both for your student and for the entire school community.

At HVHS, our culture is built on our core values: Mustang PWR—Purpose, Work Ethic, and Respect. These values guide the way we approach academics, athletics, and student life. We use Mustang PWR in our daily language with students, and we encourage families to reinforce these same principles at home. Be on the lookout for Mustang PWR notes coming your way—these are special recognitions from our staff, celebrating students who exemplify Purpose, Work Ethic, and Respect in their everyday actions. It's one of our favorite ways to connect home and school while honoring the positive choices our students are making.

Finally, I want to highlight an important academic milestone ahead: the Oregon Statewide Assessment System (OSAS). This spring, all of our juniors will have the opportunity to showcase their skills in Math, Science, and English. These assessments are not just tests—they are a chance for our students to demonstrate their growth, perseverance, and Mustang PWR on a statewide stage. If you have any questions about OSAS or would like more information about how these assessments impact our school, please do not hesitate to reach out to me by phone or email.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we are building a strong foundation for our students to thrive.

GO MUSTANGS, and as always—GO BE GREAT!

Damian Crowson

Principal, Hidden Valley High School

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Hidden Valley High School is bringing back two exciting academic traditions for our students: Brain Bowl and the SOU Scavenger Hunt!

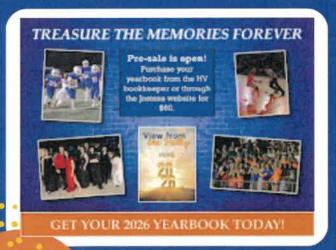




Brain Bowl is a fast-paced, team-based quiz competition where Mustangs work together to answer questions on everything from history and science to literature and pop culture. While the SOU Scavenger Hunt, hosted by Southern Oregon University, is a unique research challenge that pushes students to use their knowledge, research and problem-solving skills, and creativity across a wide range of topics.

Both events are more than just competitions—they're a chance for students to get involved, sharpen academic skills, and build lasting friendships while showing Mustang pride.

It's not too late to join, but spots are filling fast! If you're looking for a fun way to connect with others in the Mustang community, now is the perfect time. **Advisors Eric Gardner and David Delgado** are here to support students every step of the way. So if you have any questions, please contact them directly. Don't miss your chance to be part of these exciting opportunities—sign up today!"





## HONOR A HERO

Hidden Valley High School is proud to introduce our brand-new Veterans
Memorial Garden, located in the heart of our courtyard. This beautiful space
is dedicated to honoring those who have served our country—and you have
the opportunity to be a part of it.

We are seeking sponsors for benches, tables, and even our our flagpole centerpiece. Sponsorships are a meaningful way to:

- Remember a loved one
- Show your pride as an American Patriot
- Support our school, community, and armed forces.

No matter what inspires you, your sponsorship will create a lasting, tribute and help make the Veteran's Memorial Garden a powerful symbol of gratitude for generations to come.

For more information, please contact Hidden Valley High School and ask for Liz Elkins or Tammy Allen.





#### Saturday, November 1st

#### **Registration:**







#### RUN / WALK

9:30 CHECK IN
RACE BEGINS AT 10 AM
COSTUMES ENCOURAGED



#### 1 MILE FUN RUN

10:30 AM CHECK IN
RACE BEGINS AT 11 AM
COSTUMES ENCOURAGED



#### **ACTIVITIES**

FOOD TRUCKS
BOUNCE HOUSE
YARD GAMES
FACE PAINTING



Funds raised will help Project Youth+ continue to mentor and guide hundreds of local youth, ensuring that financial or social barriers do not prevent them from achieving their goals.

https://projectyouthplus.org/

Race Location:
Club Northwest
2160 NW Vine Street
Grants Pass, OR 97526

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