

Wednesday – February 17th, 2021

VUSD Announces Grab-n-Go Meals Services

Meal Service will continue during this school year but **ONLY** on **THURSDAYS at two service times: 10AM–12PM and 5PM–7PM**. Breakfast and lunch will be provided for the entire week. Click <u>here</u> for resources and/or more information.

CAMPUS INFORMATION

<u>Student Attendance</u> - If you need to call Attendance to clear an absence or have your student excused for an appointment, please call the Attendance office using the information below:

All 12 th Grade	Grades 9-11	Grades 9-11
Students	Last Names A-K	Last Names L-Z
Mrs. Gomez	Mrs. Cervantes	Mrs. Orozco
735-3516	735-3501	735-3517

STUDENT NOTES

TODAY:

- <u>Attention EDHS students</u>: For the following Monday holidays (2/15, 4/5, 5/31), we will resume the week as follows to provide more instructional time. Please note that <u>instruction will take place on these</u> <u>Wednesdays</u>:
 - 1. Monday Holiday
 - 2. Tuesday Periods 0, 1, 3, & 5
 - 3. Wednesday Periods 0 Flex, 2, 4, & 6
 - 4. Thursday Periods 1, 3, & 5
 - 5. Friday Periods 0, 2, 4, & 6

- <u>Attention Seniors: COS Financial Aid</u> will be hosting FAFSA/Dream Act support sessions via Zoom on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 AM 3 PM. These sessions will continue through March 2nd, 2021. Get help with applications and ask questions about the financial aid process. Please see the attached flyer for the Zoom info or click <u>here</u>.
- <u>Attention Seniors! There will be COS Admissions Support Sessions</u> every Wednesday through April 14th, 2021. COS representatives will be available to assist high school seniors with their COS admissions application for Summer/Fall 2021! Questions? Email Crystal Salazar at <u>crystals@cos.edu</u> or click <u>here</u> to view the flyer for the Zoom Link and Meeting ID.
- We will be hosting activities during the mid-day break (lunch) on Wednesdays and Fridays starting at 10:30 AM. On Wednesdays, you can play Among Us. Fridays will have a variety of activities that will change each week. You can register for each day using the link below and a link will be emailed to you after 10 AM. Register using this link: <u>https://forms.gle/SRgBMxBqEcjAry867</u>.
- <u>Attention all EDHS students: The 84th Annual Lions Club Speaker Contest is now open.</u> The 2021 topic is "Distance and Online Learning: Pros and Cons." The contest is open to students who reside in California, including foreign exchange students, grades 9-12 of any high school or junior high school, charter school, private school, home school or independent study. Interest forms are due no later than TODAY, February 17th, 2021. If interested, please email joycebuchheister@gmail.com or check out the website <u>here</u>.

New Announcements:

<u>Attention EDHS Students Grades 9-11: Picture Day</u> has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 10th and Thursday, March 11th. This will be a <u>drive thru event</u> and you will <u>have to make an appointment</u>. When you arrive, we ask that you wear a face mask until your appointment starts. Only the student(s) being photographed will be permitted during the appointment. To make an appointment click <u>here</u> or see the flyer attached.

Previous Announcements:

- <u>Attention EDHS Students</u>: If you are interested in <u>being in the Yearbook class for the 2021-22</u> school year, the application is now available. Click the following link to apply: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd_6ePT0YgvLGD0sPF7Vtdd5Qp3BrZ5ZYDNgMAkZxCM3ksF</u> <u>RQ/viewform</u>. If you have any questions, email Mr. Abbott at <u>abbott@vusd.org</u>.
- If you are interested in buying a <u>Yearbook</u>, please click on the link below: <u>https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1314031/El-Diamante-High-School/2021-Yearbook/2020061904161904087/CATALOG_SHOP/</u>. The Yearbook is a work in progress, and we aren't sure exactly how it will turn out, but we're working hard and doing the best we can!
- <u>Hello El D Students! This is a message from El D Yearbook.</u> We would love to get any pictures you have (or want to take) that show you in sports/clubs/organizations to include in the Yearbook. Please click on the link below and open the Google doc. Then find your sport or club or organization and

click on the link. You will be directed to a Google Form that you can fill out and submit pictures for the Yearbook.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IIAu8Z6mf7kWFUWozDK8_TR6aikITWrbW6yaQLREwjk/edit. Please note that pictures should demonstrate social distancing and facemasks or they may not make it in the Yearbook. If your sport/club/organization does not have a link, then check back again in a week or two and hopefully it should be ready. **Please email Mr. Abbott (mabbott@vusd.org) with any questions, suggestions, or concerns**. Thanks! El D Yearbook!

- <u>XL El Diamante Program</u>- If you are wanting to participate in any XL Enrichment or need help with Tutoring you can click on the link <u>https://sites.google.com/view/eld-xl/</u> and you will be directed to our XL website. You will see all our updated Schedules and Zoom tabs for XL Enrichment/Tutoring and TBA Workshops. Also, if you would like to receive a full week of snack you are more the welcome to come down to 505 N. Court Visalia every Wednesday from 11:30 PM-12:30 PM. Make sure to bring your school ID for proof of identification. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr. Ybarra 559-972-2101 or via email <u>sybarra@pyheart.org</u>.
- Clovis Unified School District Presents: <u>Middle School African American Virtual Student Leadership</u> <u>Conference</u>. This virtual event will take place February 22, 2021 at 8 AM. Log on to <u>CUSD.COM/IDAC</u>.
- Students interested in getting their <u>DMV pink slip</u>, please click <u>here</u> to put in a request for one. Please allow one week for processing.
- <u>Attention Students</u>: If you are under the age of 18 and have a job, you **MUST** have a <u>work permit</u> on file with El Diamante and your employer. Click <u>here</u> to download the application and/or for more information.
- Join the **VUSD Equity Instagram Page** by following vusd_equity.
- <u>VUSD Social Emotional Wellness</u> provides resources for students and families during this time. Please click <u>here</u> to be directed to the website.
- <u>ASVAB Test:</u> Due to the pandemic and the campus being closed, we are **NOT** able to administer the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test on site. In order to still take the ASVAB test at the Visalia office location, you <u>MUST</u>:
 - o Be 17 years old and have parent permission
 - Contact our representative, Staff Sergeant Julio Gonzalez by email julio.c.gonzalez.mil@mail.mil
 or by phone: Office# 559-627-1906 Cell# 559-545-6898 to make an appointment.



- <u>Seniors</u> You may place your <u>cap and gown orders</u> the following ways:
 - 1. Visit <u>Jostens.com</u>
 - 2. Call 1-800-JOSTENS
 - 3. Visit or mail in your order to the Visalia office at **<u>1222 W. Murray Ave. Visalia, CA 93291</u>**
- <u>Attention Seniors</u>: If you are <u>planning to attend COS</u> after graduation and want priority registration, you will need to follow the 3 steps below. For more **COS information** click <u>here</u>.
 - 1. Apply for Summer/Fall 2021: Submit a COS Summer/Fall application
 - 2. Counseling Appointment: February-April 2021 Online
 - 3. **RSVP and Register for Classes @ STEPS**: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 and Thursday, April 22, 2021 Online via Zoom
- Attention Seniors: There will be a Black College Expo virtual college fair on Friday, February 19th from 3-7 PM and Saturday, February 20th from 12-3 PM. Some incentives for attending this college fair are: get accepted to college on the spot, scholarships on the spot, and application fees waived. The live seminars will cover: 411 for the student athlete, how to find money for college, how to start a business, and why to attend an HBCU. There will be chances to win scholarships, cash & prizes. If interested in attending, click here to register → https://www.thecollegeexpo.org/events/black-collegeexpo
- <u>Seniors: The PTSA Scholarship application</u> is now available from Student Services (Ms. Garcia) or from PTSA (<u>dvink10@gmail.com</u>). Email either one to get an application sent to you. The scholarship is \$500, the deadline is March 15th, and you must be a PTSA member for at least 30 days before the deadline.
- <u>Attention Seniors! Miner Foundation Scholarship applications are now available</u>. Miner Foundation will be giving out 18 \$500 scholarships and the \$1,000 Mike Waters Scholarship. The application is available on the <u>El Diamante Scholarship page</u>. Applications must be received by March 31, 2021. If you have any questions please email <u>EDHSMinerFoundation@gmail.com</u>.
- <u>Attention Seniors! The California Student Aid Commission is excited to announce their first</u> <u>Statewide Cash for College Webinars!</u> The webinars will provide information to help students and families complete the FAFSA/CADAA. The webinars are FREE and open to all students and families applying for financial aid. They will have volunteers answering questions throughout the session via chat box (general questions only). Click <u>here</u> to register and/or to see the documents that will be needed!

Available Webinars:

- Monday, February 22, 2021 (Bilingual/Spanish) 5:30-8:00 PM
- > Thursday, February 25, 2021 5:30-8:00 PM
- <u>Attention Seniors: UC Irvine's Hmong Student Association</u> would like to invite you to their 8th annual high school outreach program, Hmong inspired to gain higher education and recruitment. The program will be held virtually through Zoom and will be 2 days: Saturday, April 3rd, 2021 and Sunday,

April 4th, 2021. Everybody is highly encouraged to apply. Applications are due (postmark) by 11:59 PM on Friday, February 5th, 2021. Click <u>here</u> if interested.

Seniors! Please see the important deadlines below:

Deadline	Event	Link
Tuesday, March 2, 2021	Deadline for FAFSA/Dream Act Applications	www.fafsa.ed.gov

PLEASE CLICK <u>HERE</u> FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

SPORTS

- <u>Attention Students: Season 2 sports have been cleared to begin conditioning</u>. For more information click <u>here</u>. If you have any questions, you can contact our **Athletic Director**, Jake Kiser at <u>ikiser@vusd.org</u> or **735-3521**.
- Attention Juniors and Seniors who are thinking of playing sports in College. You MUST register with the NCAA Eligibility Center to be eligible to participate. Students must be enrolled in a certain number of academic courses in High School to qualify at the college level. Qualifications vary based on the division in which your College participates in athletics. Speak with your Learning Director if you have any questions or concerns.

PARENT NOTES

- <u>El Diamante School Marquee</u> messages are available to purchase for **\$50 a week**. Say Happy Birthday or Congratulations to your student. Call the office at 735-3501 if interested.
- **<u>Attention Parents</u>**: If you are interested in requesting a meeting with your student's Learning Director, please click <u>here</u> to fill out the appointment request form.
- **<u>Attention Parents</u>:** To purchase **Miner Swag** please visit the **EDHS Fan Store** by clicking <u>here</u>.