

GOLDEN WEST HIGH SCHOOL

HOME OF THE TRAILBLAZERS



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STUDENT INFORMATION

- “Students, if you are going to the new store at the corner, for everyone’s safety, please use the crosswalk. We love you and want to keep you safe! Thank you, GW Admin.”
- Student store is starting to get more items and we need your help getting the word out! Fresh fruit cups are here for \$4 and can come with with chamoy and Tajin. Come by and purchase our breast cancer awareness shirt and wear throughout the month of October! The shirts are \$12 and we are asking for a small donation to our jar that will be given to the breast cancer foundation.
- **SENIORS: Time to order your graduation supplies.** Jostens will be on campus Today, Thursday October 10th to help you place your orders. This presentation will take place from 12:00 – 12:30pm in the mini gym. Seniors will be released during this time to attend.
- “The XL Office has moved from Room E-10 over to the Business building on the south side. Our door says “Staff” on the outside, but is usually open! If you have any questions, please stop by our office or give us a call at 559-731-5621”
- College of the Sequoias 2020-2021 Scholarship Application is now open. The deadline is **November 25, 2019**. Students can complete one, online application for hundreds of scholarship opportunities. COS gave over **\$400,000** last year! See GWHS Scholarship webpage for more information on how to apply. Access the webpage via: VUSD.org/goldenwest > Counseling Department > Scholarships > Scholarship Opportunities or directly at <https://ca02205931.schoolwires.net/Page/12375> . Please view the video link below:

<https://vimeo.com/293451169/5e24770e40>
- **Attention Wrestlers:** Mandatory meeting on Friday October 11, 2019 in FS-5 at lunch.
- **FCA** is meeting Wednesdays at lunch! Experience good food and powerful speakers in room A-1.
- **Diversity Club** will be meeting each Wednesday during lunch in A-9. Remember to be on time. Meeting starts promptly at 12:45pm.
- **Softball:** Practice on Oct 9th After school – on the softball field.
- **Back in School Car Show Saturday, October 19 here at Golden West. Students - \$10 Adults - \$30 Pre-registration gets show T-Shirt and Swag Bag. Many trophy categories including Best Student Ride! See Mr. Raheb in M1 or visit <http://bit.ly/GWCarShow> for more info. This Friday, October 11, 2019 is the deadline to pre-register your car.**
- **Golden West Apparel is now available online at the Golden West Apparel Shop!** Go to the Golden West home page and click on the **GWHS Apparel Online Store** link on the right side of the page to get your gear today! <https://goldenwest.spirittees.com/>

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COUNSELOR INFORMATION

- **SCHOLARSHIPS:** Need help paying for college? Apply for scholarships! Seniors, the local scholarship application is one scholarship application that makes you eligible for MANY scholarships and THOUSANDS of dollars! Log on to Google Classroom and fill out the scholarship application (**Due Oct 18th**). Be sure to check the scholarship listing for many more scholarship opportunities on our GW webpage often as it is updated frequently: <https://ca02205931.schoolwires.net/Page/12375>. Sophomores and juniors can also start working towards scholarships through the College Board Opportunity Scholarship. More info found on our website: <https://ca02205931.schoolwires.net/Page/16905>.

- **NEW SCHOLARSHIP: ATTN SENIORS**

In honor of the bravery exhibited by members of the U.S. Armed Forces, the **American Legion Sierra Post 785 Scholarship** Fund awards up to \$1,000 to young Americans who are the dependent children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren or niece/nephew of an active duty service member who honorably served or is currently serving in the United States Armed Forces. Eligible applicants must be high school seniors or high school graduates who are currently enrolled or accepted for enrollment in any accredited U.S. institution of higher Learning. For more information please visit the Counseling Dept. Scholarship website!

- ***AP students and parents:** AP Tests are now on sale!! Please refer to the AP documents for information regarding the fees, dates, and deadlines for 2019/2020 AP exams. <https://www.vusd.org/Page/12318> Tests can be purchased at the GW Finance Office and we also accept payments via credit card online at the GW webstore! https://webstores.activenetwork.com/school-software/golden_west_high_sch/

November 5, 2019 is the absolute last day to pay for AP Exams!

NEW THIS YEAR: YOU MUST REGISTER FOR EACH AP EXAM THROUGH YOUR COLLEGE BOARD ACCOUNT. You may only purchase AP exams between September 18, 2019 and November 5, 2019. STUDENTS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR \$40 UNUSED/CANCEL EXAM FEE if they do not show up on test day! **Be sure to check and see if your student qualifies for a fee waiver, and if so, the directions for obtaining a fee waiver.** The fee waiver paperwork can be completed immediately and turned in to Mrs. McIntosh in the office. For any questions contact Mrs. Gajdusek in the counseling office.

- **Javi's Delivery:** Javi's delivery will now be available for pick up by the Blazer Marquee in the parking lot on McAuliff. Freshman will no longer be allowed to leave campus to pick up lunch from Javi's, you will have to have an ID and be in 10th, 11th or 12th grade.
- **IGNITE YOUR CURIOSITY! ATTN 9th & 10th GRADERS & your parents/guardians.** Location: El Diamante H.S. Date: Monday, October 14, 2019 Time: 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please see attached flyer with more information.

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- **ATTN 9th -12 GRADE GIRLS** – The Soroptimist International of Visalia invites you to participate in the DREAM IT, BE IT Career support program. The Dream it, Be It program can help you plan your future. By participating in this conference you will learn about career opportunities, setting and achieving goals, overcoming obstacles to success, and moving forward after setbacks. This one day conference is set for Saturday, Oct. 26, 2019 at the First Presbyterian Church of Visalia, Geneva Hall, Visalia from 10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be activities for each participant, mentors will be available, and prizes will be given out. Lunch will be provided. There is no charge to attend but pre-registration is required. Register online at <http://www.sivisalia.org/dream-it-be-it> for more information pick up a flyer in the Counseling Dept.
- **PSAT** – The PSAT is a practice test for the SAT. Students who are planning on going directly to a 4-year university after high school should take this practice exam. It is available for juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. The actual exam will be administered on Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 7:45 am – 12pm. The cost of the exam is \$17. Mrs. Hunter has started taking payments to sign up for the exam and will continue before school, during lunch, and after school at he finance window. Checks should be made out to Golden West High School. The tests will be sold on a first come, first serve basis and we only have a limited number of exams. Last year we sold out in 3 days so please come early if you want to take the PSAT. **Fee waivers are available for JUNIORS only.** Juniors who qualify for the fee waiver and can take the test for FREE. Please see Mrs. Shaewitz in the counseling office for a fee waiver starting Monday, September 23th before school, during lunch, or after school. If you have any questions regarding the PSAT, please see Mrs. Shaewitz.
- **ATTENTION SENIORS, JUNIORS, SOPHOMORES and FRESHMEN:** If you receive four or more tardies in a week you will receive one lunch detention (per 4 tardies) and a loss of off campus privileges for a week. **If you accumulate 10 unexcused tardies and or 10 Unverified/Unexcused Absences then your off campus lunch privileges will be revoked for the remainder of the grading period.** If you have absences for being sick, court, or family emergencies please have your parents call the attendance office. Freshman if you accumulate 10 unexcused tardies you will serve detention to make up missed time during lunch. Please get to class and be on time.
- A representative from **Grand Canyon University** (GCU) will be on campus TODAY, Thursday, 10/10/19 at 8:30 a.m. (Period 1) in B-1 & 2:30 p.m. (Period 6) in S-5 Sign up in the Presentation Binder.
- **A Representative from Southwestern Assembly of God University (SAGU) will be on campus Oct. 16, 2019 during 6th period in S-5.** SAGU SoCal is a university in Visalia CA centered around helping students find their purpose in life. With hands on internship experience, online education and tuition discounts, come check out if SAGU SoCal might be the next stop for you! Please sign up in the Counseling Dept. Presentation Binder if you are interested.
- **Blazer Central**
- **Here is the link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DF8eAqWsRh0>

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