

GOLDEN WEST HIGH SCHOOL

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- **Seniors - Updated Grad Nite ticket sales info!** Tickets are still available on the [webstore \(credit card\)](https://webstores.activenetwork.com/school-software/golden-west-high-sch/) <https://webstores.activenetwork.com/school-software/golden-west-high-sch/> and at the finance office (cash or check). The tickets will continue to be for sale during lunch and before/after school until **Today, March 3rd**. You must have a completed permission slip and student ID to purchase your ticket. Tickets are \$240 for Park Hopper, private party at Disney's California Adventure, and transportation. Permission slips are available in the attendance office and on the wall of the finance office.

In order to purchase a Grad Nite ticket you must be clear of any fees or fines from the library or the finance department.

In order to attend Grad Nite you must:

1. Have a GPA of 2.0 at the P5 grading period (P5 ends April 17, 2020)
2. Have no disciplinary issues
3. Must meet 94% attendance on the date of Grad Nite

If the above guidelines are not met, this could result in being ineligible to participate in Grad Nite with no refund.

- **Academic Awards Night** is tomorrow, Wednesday, March 4, 2020. If you will be attending, please check-in at the **main gym** by 6:45pm. You can wear school attire as long as it is within the Dress Code Policy. The presentation will be approximately from 7 – 9 pm.
- The Hawaiian Aloha Spring Fling is this Saturday, March 7th at El Diamanté. Tickets are \$10 with ASB, \$20 without ASB, and even more at the door! Pick up your tickets before school, after school, and at lunch today through lunch on Friday.
- **Look closely at the change in meeting space for the clubs below:**
- Anime Club has moved to its **new location in FS-10**. We meet Tuesdays during lunch. **Interested in D&D?** Anime Club will be opening their doors for **Saturday University (March 21st, 8am -12pm)**. Bring your gear, campaign, and friends! Stop by FS-10 for details.
- **FCA will meet every Wednesday in MA-6 at lunch! Come enjoy free food and lots of fun!**
- **Diversity club** is looking for new members! We are a club that welcomes and supports Diversity of all individuals on our campus. We look for ways to support the civil rights of all students regardless of race, religious belief or lack thereof, sexual orientation, or gender identification. Meet in **P-9** during lunch on Wednesdays.
- **Teens for Jeans donation drive has been extended until this Friday!!** Bring your gently used jeans to your 2nd period class. Join the effort to help those experiencing homelessness and you'll get a 20% off coupon for Aeropostale. The 2nd period class donating the most will earn free donuts!

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- XL March calendar and tutor schedules are in the XL office and in the front office.
- **California Armenian Legislative Caucus** The California Armenian Legislative Caucus is holding two scholarship contests for the 2020 commemoration of the Armenian Genocide. California high school students in 9th through 12th grade are invited to participate in an essay contest and/or a visual arts contest to increase greater awareness of the Armenian Genocide on its anniversary. **All winners will be awarded scholarships and a trip to the State Capitol in Sacramento to be acknowledged at the California Armenian Legislative Caucus' annual Armenian Advocacy Day during a press conference on April 27, 2020 and receive special recognition from the members of the Armenian Caucus.** Original artwork will be requested from visual arts applicants if they are selected as a finalist, for display in the California State Capitol. For more information and to apply please see "Scholarship Opportunities" on the Counseling department website.

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- **ATTN SENIORS: Changing Lives Scholarship is now open** **DUE: 4/15/20** Award Amount: \$500 - \$1,000 Changing Lives Scholarships are now available in honor and memory of Cort Turner (Golden West student) and Reagan Heitzig. Through the Changing Lives Foundation we hope to help young men and women find their passion through higher education. Whether that be a four year university, a junior college or Trade school. We hope you will spend a few minutes to look through our website to learn about the two people we are honoring, both were amazing! To apply please go to the Golden West Scholarship website: <https://changinglivesscholarships.com/scholarships/>

- **ATTN SENIORS:** The Visalia Education Foundation Scholarship Application is now available. The Foundation awards over \$50,000 in scholarships to Visalia Unified School District High School seniors each year. By filling out this one application you may qualify for up to 22 different scholarships. **Do not miss out on this scholarship opportunity!** See the Golden West Scholarship web page for more information and to apply. Applications are due to Visalia Unified District Office by 5 p.m., Friday March 6, 2020.

- **JUNIORS & SENIORS ONLY: ENCHANTED PROM DRESS GIVE-AWAY-** If the cost of a dress causes a **HARDSHIP**, please sign up in the counseling department, presentation binder to participate in this event. Prom Dress give away will be happening Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 6:00 a.m. at the Wyndham Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn). Sign up is completely confidential, sign-up with your student ID # only. **Deadline to sign-up is March 25, 2020** for Prom Dresses. Junior and Senior girls are encouraged to sign up if you have a need. Even if you are not sure if you are going to the Prom this is an opportunity to get a free dress. **AT THIS TIME FUNDING IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR BOYS TUX'S.** Please see Mrs. McIntosh in the counseling dept. for further details.

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- GWHS 2020 Senior Yell Panoramic is available for purchase. They are \$15 with two ways to pay: Online @ verissimophoto.com or by mail. An example of the picture along with details on ordering are in the front office in front of Mrs. Cabasa.
- **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.
- **The ASVAB test will be given Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 8:15 a.m. in the GW Library.** The ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) is the most widely used multiple aptitude battery in the world. Whether you are planning to go to college, a vocational school, the military, OR, if you are just not sure what you want to do as a career, the ASVAB Career Exploration Program can provide you with important information about your skills, abilities, and interests – AND help set you on the right course for a satisfying career! Sign up in the “Presentation Binder” in the Counseling Office.
- Golden West Band and Orchestra is proud to announce our sixth annual “Visalia River Run” 5k and 10k to be held on Saturday, May 9th. Registration can be found online at <https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/Visalia/VisaliaRiverRun>. Alternatively, you can fill out the attached paper registration and turn it in to the front office of Golden West High School. Early registration ends April 1st.
- New this year is the ability to sign up in teams through <https://runsignup.com/Race/CA/Visalia/VisaliaRiverRun>. Put together a team with your friends, family, staff or any other various groups you may be a part of.
- If interested in sponsoring the “Visalia River Run” please complete the attached sponsorship form and return to Golden West no later than April 24th. If you have any questions regarding a sponsorship or this event, please email jsosa@vusd.org
- Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/VisaliaRiverRun/> to see previous year’s events.
- Are you interested in singing at Golden West next year in one of our award winning choirs? GW students not currently in choir who wish enroll in choir next year can sign up for Beg Soprano/Alto Choir or Bass Clef Chorus which are un-auditioned choirs and open to everyone on campus. Students wishing to sing next year in an auditioned ensemble such as Advanced Treble Choir or Blazer Choir may audition for Mr. Raheb at anytime at lunch before March 30. Students who make Blazer Choir for next year and who wish to audition for Chamber Singers, may do so on May 12 & 13 after school. See Mr. Raheb in M1 for more information.

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