

GOLDEN WEST HIGH SCHOOL

HOME OF THE TRAILBLAZERS



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SENIOR INFORMATION

- **SENIORS! THIS SATURDAY** we are going to have a **FAFSA workshop** led by UC Berkeley's Financial Aid and Scholarships Associate Director. We will also be raffling a \$50 gift card to encourage students to attend. Students can register via centralvalleyscholars.org/workshops or through the phone at (559)205-9382. A flyer is attached as well.
- **Seniors and parents of seniors:** Do you want to get text notifications about scholarships? This will give you reminders about approaching deadlines and encourage you to apply for scholarships. If so, please text @GWscholar to 81010.

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STUDENT INFORMATION

- **Chromebooks—Textbooks—Hotspots** : If you are needing to pick up, drop off or exchange any of these items please come to room M-5, Monday-Friday from 8am-3:50pm.
- Applications are being accepted for students seeking a Congressional Nomination to attend a United States Service Academy. For graduating seniors, the Academy Nomination Application must be mailed or hand delivered to Congressman Nunes' Visalia Office by **Monday, November 16, 2020**. The Congressman's annual **Academy Night is at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020 at the CUSD Professional Development Building in Clovis**. This evening is for students (*of all grade levels*), along with their parents, to meet representatives from the academies, gather information and learn about academy life and the congressional nomination process. Per Clovis Unified facility rules, social distancing and face covering precautions will be observed at the event.

There are four U.S. Service Academies that require a congressional nomination:

[United States Air Force Academy](#) [United States Merchant Marine Academy](#)

[United States Military Academy \(West Point\)](#) [United States Naval Academy](#)

I have attached a flyer that has information for Academy Night, with RSVP instructions so that students can respond. **We would appreciate it if you would let interested students know about the event.** If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at (559) 733-3861 or respond to this e-mail. Please visit the [Congressman's website](#) for more Academy information. To check the district in which a student resides, please visit www.house.gov and use their home address zip code in the top right corner of the website.

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CLUB INFORMATION

- **Check out our new club! GW Flight Club** - We are recruiting students that are interested in careers in aviation: pilots, drone pilots, airplane mechanics, flight attendants, military pilots, and so on. This club exists to provide knowledge and resources about aviation. We hope to eventually provide airport tours, airplane walk-a-rounds at Visalia Airport to discuss the various components of an aircraft. I am a Private Pilot and our club founder Jacob Jr is currently a student pilot! We hope to bring relevant real-world experience to our Club at GW.

If students would like to join, they can email Dr. Hutchison at jhutchison@vusd.org. Once he receives the email, he will add you into the Schoology Club Group.

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XL PROGRAM

The XL Program is excited to announce that we are up and running virtually with some great activities and resources. Students will need to have filled out an XL Program registration form and ZOOM waiver if they are participating in any of our program classes and activities. (see attachments)

GWHS XL WEBSITE: The GWHS XL Team has created a website specially for our Blazer Students to help direct them to the variety of services and resources that we can assist them in: <https://sites.google.com/view/goldenwestxl/>

- **SuperSnack is Back**: We will be able to give students Super Snack on every Friday from 11:30am-12:30pm at our PY Administration Office 505 N. Court St, Visalia, CA 93291 **XL REGISTRATION NEEDED**
- **College Virtual Tours**: There are some College and Virtual Tour/ Informational Sessions we will be booking for Blazer Students. **(Check out our XL calendar for details)**
- **Instagram**: The GWHS XL Program has an Instagram (**GWHS_XL**) where we will be posting College Virtual Tours/ Info Sessions, College of the Week, Profession of the Week, Scholarships, Jobs, Workshops, Community Resources, and Events.
- **Tutorial/ RTI Teachers**: Still accepting Teacher Proposals for Math, English, History, Science, and any other enrichment classes
- **Zoom Classes** will be operating (XL Tutoring, and other single subject tutorials to be determined) **ZOOM Waiver is NEEDED**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or email Carlos Hernandez –XL Site Director (559) 731-5621 chernandez01@pyheart.org