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STUDENT INFORMATION

Effective immediately: Students who do not have an ID card will not be allowed off campus for lunch. Schedules and ID numbers will no longer be sufficient. If a student has not taken their picture to get an ID or needs a replacement, they may see Mrs. Sanchez for a new ID card, which may be subject to a \$5 fee.

Students parking in the south parking lot next to the field on Mc Aullif is prohibited. That is for staff parking only.

*The PSAT/ MMSQT are now on sale and are for <u>Juniors only</u>. The cost of the exam is \$18 and can be purchased with cash or check through finance office before school or during lunch only. We have a limited number of exams and the tests will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Fee waivers are available to juniors who qualify. The exam will take place on Wednesday, October 13, 2021. Please see contact Mrs. Shaewitz If you have any questions regarding the PSAT.

Please click on the images below to view the September 2021 VUSD College and Career Newsletter, now available in both English and Spanish.

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Attention all students: If you are interested in being a part of the School Site Council, please contact Mr. Lambert in the front office.

Did you love SCICON? Are you looking for community service hours? SCICON is looking for counselors for 6 different, 4-day long, camp opportunities this school year. You must be a Junior or Senior. Applications can be picked up with Mrs. Sanchez or see Mrs. Duerksen for more information. Space is limited so hurry in today.

Track meeting TODAY, September 23rd in room b-5 during lunch. Grab lunch first, and then come to meeting. If you can't attend, please see Mrs. Marquez for information missed.

Pre-season girls soccer practice has begun! Practices will be on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 4:00-5:30 pm on the corner practice field. Make sure to bring your own water bottle as well as your practice gear. You must be cleared by Mr. DeLong in order to practice. If you have any questions, stop by room P-24 to see Coach Zeigler.

Pre-season boys soccer practice has begun! All players are welcome! Practices are @ 3:30pm on the corner practice field on Mondays and Wednesdays until season begins. Make sure to bring your own water bottle as well as your practice gear. If you have any questions, come by room E-2 to see Coach McCaw.

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XL PROGRAM

XL Program: Golden West XL Program is here after school to provide free services for all students! Students can come by the XL office after school every day for water and snack – we are located in L-20 right next to the library. Golden West XL also has programs available such as AM Tutorial, PM Tutorial, Hip Hop Dance, ELL Tutoring and Support as well as ASB activities. Come by the XL room if you have any questions and to meet our staff!

The Golden West XL Program is looking for students that are interested in being a student tutor. <u>This paid position</u> offers hours that work with students' schedules and helps build work experience. If you are interested in applying, feel free to come by the XL office for an application! For more information, please email us at <u>asantana@pyheart.org</u> or give us a call at 559-731-5621.

All GWHS Dancers, Isaac the Hip Hop Dance Instructor is back on campus! He will be here on Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30-5:30pm in the Dance room. Please stop by L-20 if you have any questions.

COUNSELING

The GW counseling department wants to give you information about scholarships!

Please sign up for scholarship text reminds by texting @gwscholar2 to 81010. This will give you text notifications about scholarships throughout the school year.

As our department is notified about scholarships, we post those on our website. There aren't many active scholarships up right now but more will post in the coming months. Please check them regularly for updates. They can be found here: <u>https://ca02205931.schoolwires.net/Page/12375</u>

We recommend that All seniors fill out this local scholarship application. It is one application that makes you eligible for a variety of different scholarships, many of which are guaranteed to a GWHS student. *Students must me logged into their VUSD account in order to access this application*. **Due: December 10, 2021 Link to application:** <u>https://</u> forms.gle/YzeK7jK2cads3sVE9

Please remember that you can only hit "Submit" once. If you submit an incomplete application (i.e. incomplete essay), your scholarship will not be considered for scholarship opportunities. To help you prepare for the essay, please see the prompt/directions below. Please see Mrs. Waters with any questions. Good luck!

<u>Essay prompt:</u> Submit a statement providing information that will distinguish you from other applicants in terms of your goals, aspirations, and achievements. You may indicate other information about yourself that may help the scholarship committee discern your need for a scholarship.

FORMAT: 1 page (single or double spaced), Times New Roman font, normal margins (1"), title is not necessary. Do NOT go over the page limit or your application will not be reviewed.

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• The John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest for High School Students is officially open! We're now accepting submissions from high school students for the 2022 contest—and your students can win up to \$10,000 for participating!

Website: https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest

Sixty-five years ago, John F. Kennedy described the stories of eight U.S. senators who demonstrated great courage under enormous pressure in his Pulitzer Prize-winning book *Profiles in Courage*. Although the problems facing our leaders today are different, President Kennedy's message transcends. The Profile in Courage Essay Contest is a great way for students to strengthen their research and writing skills while recognizing courageous leaders who have inspired them.

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