



Valencia High School

May/June, 2009

Welcome to the final edition of the 2009 monthly e-communication from Valencia High School. We hope you have a great end to the school year! Don't forget about the school's website at www.valenciavikings.com, where you can find updated information on a daily basis.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Promenade



- ❑ All parents and students are invited to attend Valencia High School's annual Pre-Prom Promenade hosted by the Valencia PAC on Saturday, May 2nd. The Promenade begins at 5:30 in the VHS Gym.

AP Exams

- We will be administering all AP exams between Monday, May 4th and Friday, May 15th. Student must stay for the entire exam, even if they finish early.

Senior Career Exploration Project Presentation Volunteers

- ❑ Valencia High School is inviting you to share your business expertise by participating in the evaluation of our graduating seniors during the completion of their Career Exploration Project presentations. Please save the date, May 14, 2009, and the time, 1:00 to 3:00 PM. The intent of this program is to reinforce the relevancy of the learning experience while producing a student who is better prepared to enter the emerging work force. Please see the attached invitation and information at the end of this newsletter. Please RSVP to Lizz Wilson by May 5, 2009. Thank you in advance for your participation.



Summer School, 2009

- ❑ Registration packets are still available in the counseling office. Preference will be given to students whose applications are submitted by May 15. Important dates to remember:

June 11: Class schedule distribution at the student's summer school site from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

June 15: First day of summer school classes

June 17: Last day to register for summer school

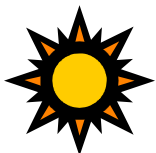
June 30: D/F notices will be sent home

July 3: Holiday—no school

July 17: Last day of summer school classes

July 21: Summer school report cards mailed home

Hours 1 and 2 (Period 1) will be from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Hours 3 and 4 (Period 2) will be from 9:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Students are allowed only three absences. Tardies



add up to absences: three tardies equal one hour absence; six tardies equal one entire period absence. THERE ARE NO ONLINE OR R.O.P. COURSES THIS SUMMER.

MORP Dance

- ❑ Valencia High School ASB is hosting its second annual MORP-End Of The Year Dance on May 15th from 7:00 pm until 11:00 pm. MORP dance tickets were included with the dance ticket package during the beginning of the year or can still be purchased in the ASB Office. Ticket prices are \$10 with ASB Card, \$15 without an ASB Card, or \$20 at the door. Valencia High School students can bring one guest for \$15. Guest tickets must be purchased through the ASB Office.



Textbook Return

- ❑ The library will be set up for the collection of textbooks on Friday, May 22. At that time, we will have only a small section of the library open for studying and homework use. All computers will still be available. Students who have textbooks they are no longer needing to complete class assignments or for finals may bring them to the library for check-in anytime. Students do not have to wait until textbook collection officially starts. If students need a printout of the textbooks issued to them, please see the staff in the library, and they will be able to provide one to students. Seniors are asked to clear their books early, as soon as finals are over, as graduation tickets will be held until clearance from the library is complete. Parent volunteers are especially welcome to help with the collection of textbooks during Finals, June 2, 3, and 4, from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Contact Sandy Williams, Library Tech. at ext. 301 to schedule a time to volunteer.



Summer Athletic Camps 2009

- ❑ The 2009 Summer Athletic programs will be held at Valencia High School and will consist of three to six-week camps, depending on the sport you choose. For forms, further information, or to register online, visit <http://www.valenciaasb.com/summerathletics.htm>.



CAHSEE

- ❑ On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 12th and 13th, VHS will administer the California High School Exit Exam to 10th grade students who were absent for the March exam, and also to those seniors who still need to pass the exam. We are hoping to have results from the previous March test before this upcoming May test, but if not, we will summons seniors to test again in May.



ROP Classes

- ❑ It is not too late for students to sign up for ROP classes for next year. Check out the ROP web site to see the schedule of classes at <http://www.hartrop.com/Schedule.pdf?page=schedule> or have your student see Mrs. Ivey in the ROP office for a schedule and to sign up! These are some great choices for additional elective credits.



Career Path Awards Night

- ❑ Senior Career Path parents, please join us to celebrate your student's success in his/her Career Pathway achievement. The awards ceremony will be held at Valencia High School on Monday, May 4th, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the MPR.





Pay School Debts / Class Donations Online

- ❑ Visit the Valencia High School Online Store to pay for parking tickets, delinquencies, <http://www.valenciaasb.com/onlinestore.htm>. The username is your student's ID number and password is the student's first letter of the first name + your last name.

Tutoring Available (see attached schedule)

- ❑ French tutoring is available every Tuesday from 3:05-4:05 in room 934. All other Valencia Intervention Program classes will be continuing through the end of the school year, as well. Students can go to receive extra help. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Macias at extension 303.



Physical Education

- ❑ Please make sure your child removes everything from his/her PE locker on the last day their class meets! Any items left in the lockers after the last school period will be removed from the lockers and thrown away.



Theatre Arts

- ❑ The advanced Theatre 3B class will be performing in an all-day scene and monologue assembly for periods 2 through 7 on Friday, May 15th. It is a free event that is being offered to all of the classes on campus on a first-come, first-served basis. Parents of students who are performing are also invited to attend, but please contact Mr. Whelan for an on-campus pass.
- ❑ The Drama Club Awards Banquet will be later that night on May 15th starting at 6:00 pm at a location yet to be determined. All ACTIVE Drama Club members are invited to attend. There will be a full dinner buffet provided by Stone Fire Grill, sodas and dessert. It is free of charge to all students who have worked on at least one Drama Club production. Awards will be presented in all acting and technical categories and there will also be a DJ and dancing. Call Mr. Whelan for more details.
- ❑ The Theatre 2B Class will be presenting the play VOICES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL during the school day on Wednesday, May 20th and again later that evening at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be \$5 for the nighttime performance. Selected classes from the school will be selected to view the play during the day.



Please contact Mr. Whelan for any of the above at SWhelan@hartsdistrict.org or ext. 522 by phone.

VHS Choir

- ❑ Would you like your student to join one of the VHS choirs and be part of a tour to Carnegie Hall, New York? If so, choir auditions are coming, but enrollment is filling quickly! If you are interested in singing in any of our six ensembles next year, please email cenns@hartsdistrict.org to set up an audition. Or, in lieu of an audition, your student can enroll for mixed choir. Classes fill at 75 students each, so do not delay.
- ❑ Rio Norte incoming freshman choir auditions are scheduled for May 4th, in the RIO NORTE MPR after school. Email Mrs. Gina Painter at gpainte@hartsdistrict.org



- ❑ Congratulations to Valencia Vocal Jazz--Fullerton Jazz Festival Champions! Vocal Jazz Two N' Four received the award of the festival, first place in the advanced category, while Seven AM Jazz received third place in the advanced category. Both groups scored straight superiors!
- ❑ Valencia Choirs' Bound for Italy Spring Concert will be presented on Thursday and Friday, May 7th and 8th at 7:00 pm in the VHS theater. The Italian evening of music will showcase the performing groups as they get ready for their June tour to Italy to sing in St. Peter's Basilica. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased at the door. For advance tickets email cenns@hartdistrict.org.
- ❑ Come see the hilarious original musical, **MYSACE THE MUSICAL**, directed by Valencia students Chandler Patton and Mike Mullen. Musical score was written by Sam Fleischer. Opening acts will include comical choir students performing zany acts! Tickets are \$8 in the VHS Theater at 7:00 pm on Wednesday and Thursday, May 13th and 14th.

SENIOR Information/Announcements

Final Transcript Request

- ❑ By Friday, June 5th, every university-bound senior must request a FINAL high school transcript to be sent from the VHS registrar's office to the college that the student will be attending in the fall. Each student's requested final transcript will be mailed out to the requested college between June 19th and June 26th. You may pick up a copy of the final transcript request form in the counseling office or visit:
http://www.valenciavikings.com/Senior_Final_Transcripts.pdf



Senior Awards Night

- ❑ Seniors and their families are invited to attend Senior Awards night on May 18th at 7:00 pm in the VHS football stadium. Seniors being honored with an award will receive a personal invitation in the mail, but any student and/or parent is welcome to attend.



Senior Meeting

- ❑ On May 19th, in the VHS theater, all seniors will be meeting during their Economics or Government classes to review graduation activities, ceremony information, and senior requirements. If your student is not currently in a government or economics class, he/she must attend one of these meetings during his/her open period.



Senior Yearbook Party

- ❑ All seniors are invited and encouraged to attend the yearbook party on May 19th from 6:00 until 8:00 pm in the VHS MPR. This is a great opportunity for seniors to pick up their yearbook before everyone else, get it signed by their senior classmates, and have a few refreshments.



Cap & Gown Issuance

- ❑ Graduating seniors will be picking up their pre-ordered cap & gowns on May 22nd in the VHS stadium, during 5th period. The cap and gown will be immediately worn for the panorama picture that will be taken at this time. Seniors who have not ordered a cap and gown should be prepared to pay \$45 CASH at the time of this issuance. Every effort should be made to have your gown neatly pressed before it is worn at graduation.



Panorama Senior Class Picture



- ❑ On May 22nd, right after picking up caps & gowns, students will pose for the senior class 10" X 30" panorama photo. The cost for the laminated print will total \$25 and needs to be paid in the exact amount at the time the photo is taken. Money should be placed in the envelope that will be distributed during the senior meetings. The photo will be mailed home to you.

Graduation Practice

- ❑ All graduating seniors are REQUIRED to attend the practice at COC on May 28th at 8:00 am in the COC stadium. During this practice, each student will be given ten (10) graduation tickets for their family and friends. If your student needs more than ten, he/she must check with friends. If someone in your family needs handicapped seating, please submit a written request to Mr. Ferry in the administration office. We will allow one escort to accompany the person in the handicapped seating area. Requests are due BEFORE graduation practice. These tickets will be in place of two (2) of the regular seating tickets. Seniors who have not met their financial obligations/fines/tickets, etc. must do so before they will receive their tickets.



Graduation Ceremony



- ❑ Graduation will be on Thursday, May 28th at 7:30 pm. All graduates must report to the COC student cafeteria at 6:00 pm. Girls are reminded to wear nice dresses and leave their purses with their parents. Boys are reminded to wear collared shirts, ties, slacks, and dark socks with their dress shoes. Graduates will not be allowed to carry presents, flowers, or cameras during the ceremony. Graduates cannot adorn their caps or gowns with any items.

Diploma Pick-Up

- ❑ Graduates will receive only the cover of their diploma during the graduation ceremony. The actual diploma will be distributed to graduating seniors in the COC concession area immediately following the graduation. Diplomas are NOT mailed home.



Grad Night

- ❑ Grad Night is being held after graduation on May 28th at the Disneyland Resort. This amazing evening of fun is open only to graduating seniors and costs \$80 with an ASB card and \$85 w/o an ASB card. Buses will leave VHS at 9:30 pm and will return May 29th at approximately 8:00 am. Tickets/permission slips are on sale NOW and can be purchased either online at www.valenciaasb.com or in the ASB office. Don't miss the chance to make this incredible memory with your friends and classmates!



Graduation Video

- DVD's of the graduation ceremony, as well as a video yearbook, are available for order. The professional DVD picture, as well as crystal quality sound, makes this DVD a great buy. Furthermore, the VHS Video Yearbook is a visual compilation of the 2008-2009 school year. Students will have the chance to revisit all of the campus highlights on a HD-quality DVD. Students or parents can order either or both DVD's in the ASB office. Graduation ceremony DVD's cost \$30 each, or a 'Senior Package' including both the Graduation DVD and the Video Yearbook cost \$35!

