

# PONY EXPRESS

Character Leadership Attitude Scholarship Service

Principal Mrs. Celeste Scallion

## WEEK AT A GLANCE:

**February 3:**  
**Minimum B Day**  
**Senior Culminating Project**

**February 4:**  
**Minimum A Day**  
**Senior Culminating Project**

**February 5:**  
**B Day - Late Start**  
**National Signing Day**  
**Site Council Meeting**

**February 6:**  
**A Day - Office Hours**  
**Rodeo on the Ranch**

**February 7:**  
**B Day - One Lunch**

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**February 12:**  
**Incoming Parent Night (Virtual)**

**Feb 14 & 17:**  
**No School - Presidents Day**

**February 20:**  
**Advanced Coursework Program**  
**Night (Virtual)**

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Bronco Families and Students,

As we progress through the second semester, our focus is already turning toward the upcoming school year. This week, during our annual High School Kickoff event, several student groups visited Warm Springs Middle School and Dorothy McElhinney Middle School to showcase the diverse opportunities awaiting our future Broncos. From athletics and academics to the arts, activities, and Career Technical Education (CTE) programs, we are encouraging all incoming students to find their place on The Ranch.

Families, mark your calendars! Next Thursday, we are hosting The Rodeo (formerly Open House), an evening dedicated to showcasing our campus, programs, and student achievements. Current students and families will have the chance to visit classrooms and see live demonstrations from many of our signature programs. At the same time, we warmly welcome all incoming ninth-grade students and their families for an overview of our academic and extracurricular offerings, as well as tips on how to be a successful Bronco, by selecting courses that fit their academic goals. Food trucks will be on-site starting at 5:00 PM, with festivities beginning at 5:30PM.

Next Monday and Tuesday are minimum days as our seniors take part in a significant milestone presenting their Senior Culminating Projects to panels of teachers and community members. This capstone experience is a requirement for all seniors and represents the dedication, growth, and hard work they have put in throughout their high school journey.

Today, VMHS proudly hosted Unified Games, where students from across the area came together to compete in a friendly game of bocce ball. Unified Sports embody the heart of inclusion, teamwork, and school spirit we uphold every day at Vista Murrieta High School. The energy, excitement, and collaboration on the field were truly inspiring!

We look forward to welcoming all our Broncos back on The Ranch next Monday. Enjoy a wonderful weekend!

Kind regards,

*Mrs. Scallion*

Principal  
Vista Murrieta High School

BNN Announcements: [Jan 27](#) | [Jan 28](#) | [Jan 30](#) | [Jan 31](#)

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## Assistant Principals

Brianna Burow  
Lloyd Dunn  
Carl Galloway

Rosa Velardez  
Tammy Waddleton

## Assistant Principal Athletics

David Smola

## Activities Director

Shannon Kush

## Useful Links:

[VMHS Website](#)



# REMINDERS

## A/B CALENDAR

A/B Schedule for February 3 - 7

3	4	5	6	7
B	A	B	A	B

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## YEARBOOK

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YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE NOW.  
PRICES INCREASE ON FEBRUARY 1.

GUARANTEED SALES END MARCH 31.  
(AFTER THAT LIMITED SUPPLIES AVAILABLE UNTIL SOLD OUT)  
GO TO THE VMHS WEBSITE YEARBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFO.

## VMHS MEDICAL CAREER FAIR

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**FEBRUARY 4, 2025**

VISTA MURRIETA HIGH SCHOOL

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM**

**MORE INFO:**

VISIT C11  
OR EMAIL:  
[JTAYLOR@MURRIETA.K12.CA.US](mailto:JTAYLOR@MURRIETA.K12.CA.US)

20 medical careers presenters:  
Physical Therapy,  
Nursing, Orthopedic Surgery,  
Fire fighting, Radiology, Lab  
Science, Chiropractic, OT,  
Sonography, Army, Navy,  
Orthodontist, Nutrition

## WASC PARENT PANEL

Bronco Parents, as we prepare for our Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation visit in February, we invite you to take part in a unique opportunity! If you're interested in joining a virtual symposium on Monday, February 10, at 6 PM, please follow the link below.



**Parent Panel Interest Form**

## SAVE THE DATE!

### RODEO ON THE RANCH

LOCATION: VISTA MURRIETA HIGH SCHOOL

DATE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

FOOD VENDORS AVAILABLE STARTING AT 5 PM

TIME: 5:30 PM

Thursday, February 6

Location: The Bronco Arena and Quad

Time: 5:30-7:30 PM



Come see what we're all about!

We can't wait to welcome you!

Food vendors will be available starting at 5 PM!

## PTSA PRESENTS

### COFFEE WITH THE *Principal*

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

**8:45 - 9:45 AM**

**VMHS LIBRARY**

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO  
AND DISCUSSION POINTS.



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# COUNSELING



Ms. Valenzuela  
AVID & A  
East Hall



Mrs. Padilla  
EL & B - Cal  
East Hall



Mr. Tyler  
Cam - Ger  
West Hall



Mrs. Osorio  
Gi - Lew  
West Hall



Mrs. Candaele  
NCAA & Li - Or  
West Hall



Mrs. Ponce  
Os - Se  
East Hall



Ms. Hill  
Sh - Z  
East Hall



Mrs. Burow  
Assistant Principal  
East Hall



Mr. Bennett  
School Psychologist  
Grades 10 - 11 / W115



Mrs. Mendoza-Blid  
School Psychologist  
Grades 9 & 12 / W115



Mrs. Talarzyk  
School Social Worker  
A - L / W112



Mrs. Gonzalez  
School Social Worker  
M - Z / W121

2024-25

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Dollars for Scholars is now open!  
Apply now until February 28th

[APPLY](#)

[INSTRUCTIONS](#)

[SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES](#)

## FAFSA

Students planning to enroll in Summer 2025 courses at a college AFTER graduation must submit the 2024-25 FAFSA application to receive Financial Aid, in addition to the 2025-26 FAFSA for Fall 2025 courses. If your student intends to commence courses in Fall 2025, they will only need to apply for the **2025-26 FAFSA that is NOW OPEN. Apply now!**

[APPLY](#)

For information on FAFSA Application Support Night on January 29th and February 19th, please click [HERE](#).

## INCOMING PARENT NIGHT

**Class of 2029 Broncos**

Wednesday, February 12 | 6pm - 7pm

Join VMHS Counselors for insights on Course Selection Process, academic programs, FAQs and more.

[TEAMS LINK](#)

## SENIORS

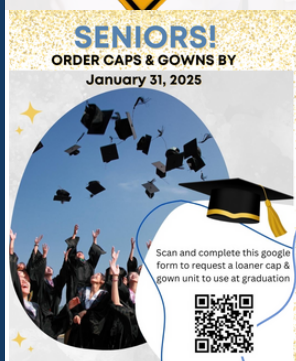
### IMPORTANT SENIOR DATES

**Jan 31** Deadline to Place Cap & Gown orders

**Feb 3 & 4** Senior Culminating Project



### SENIOR RESOURCES



Senior Culminating Presentations are on February 3rd & 4th. See Bronco Life or VMHS Class of 2025 Canvas tile for your scheduled date and time.



## ARMY CAREER FAIR

### MEET YOUR ARMY CAREER FAIR

March Air Reserve Base  
February 12  
11:00A.M. - 3:00P.M.



Please come to the West Hall Office to pick up a permission slip!

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