

# PONY EXPRESS

Character Leadership Attitude Scholarship Service

Principal Mrs. Celeste Scallion

## WEEK AT A GLANCE:



**February 17:**  
**No School - Presidents Day**

**February 18:**  
**A Day**  
**Spirit Week - Dynamic Duo**  
**Drama Previews**

**February 19:**  
**B Day - Late Start**  
**Spirit Week - Hawaii Day**  
**Scholar Bowl 4**

**February 20:**  
**A Day - Office Hours**  
**Spirit Week - Black Clothing**  
**Advanced Coursework Program**  
**Night (Virtual)**  
**Drama Musical - Addams Family**

**February 21:**  
**B Day**  
**Spring Sports Rally**  
**Spirit Week - Class Color Wars**  
**End of 6-Week Grading Period**

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

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

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Bronco Families and Students.

What an incredible week it has been at Vista Murrieta High School! We are proud to share that we have successfully completed our six-year WASC self-study visit, a testament to the dedication, hard work, and commitment of our students, staff, and families. This process has reinforced the excellence and integrity of our academic programs, and we are grateful to everyone who played a role in making it a success.

A special thank you to our parents who joined us for Coffee with the Principal! Your insight, feedback, and unwavering support are invaluable to our school community. It is an honor to walk alongside you in shaping the future of our Bronco students, and we deeply appreciate your engagement and partnership.

Course Selection season is here! The journey toward the 2025-2026 school year begins now! Over the next couple of weeks, our counselors will be visiting classrooms to provide guidance as students select their courses for next year. We encourage parents to have conversations at home about academic goals and aspirations. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out - we are here to support you.

Round three of the Scholar Bowl took place today, and the competition is heating up! It has been amazing to watch our students rise to the challenge with their knowledge, teamwork, and determination. Stay tuned as we head toward the championship rounds to find out who will take home the title this year.

Save the date as the opening night of The Addams Family musical, presented by our drama department, is next Thursday, February 20. Tickets are available on [GoFan](#), and community seniors can attend for free with a Golden Pass, available at our front office during school hours. Don't miss this fantastic production as it is sure to be a hit!

The end of the 6-week grading period is next Friday, and six-week progress reports will be available in the Aeries Parent Portal the week of February 24. As always, we will send a notification once updated reports are accessible. Please take the time to review your student's progress and reach out if you have any questions.

As a reminder, this is a four-day weekend in observance of Presidents' Day. We hope our students and families take this time to relax and recharge.

We look forward to welcoming all of our Broncos back to The Ranch on Tuesday, February 18, as we continue our journey to finish the semester strong!

Thank you for being a part of our incredible Bronco community. Together, we make VMHS a place of excellence, connection, and growth, through C.L.A.S.S.

Kind regards,

*Mrs. Scallion*

Principal  
Vista Murrieta High School

**BNN Announcements: [Feb 10](#) | [Feb 11](#) | [Feb 13](#)**

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SPIRITED HIGH SCHOOL



## 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 17 - 21

| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| H  | A  | B  | A  | B  |

February 17 - No School: Presidents Day

February 19 - Late Start

February 20 - Office Hours

## REMINDER



The end of the six-week grading period is set for next Friday, February 21st.

## MVUSD

Murrieta Valley Unified School District

# Start your day with TK!

## All Four-Year-Olds

We are Now Enrolling for Transitional Kindergarten.

Students who turn 4 by 9/1/25 can enroll in TK for the '25-'26 school year.



Scan to Enroll Today!



Come meet our team!



## YEARBOOKS

A BOOK THEY'LL ALWAYS **CHERISH.**

ORDER A YEARBOOK

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 YEABOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFO.

## DISTRICT REFLECTION WINNERS



Congratulations to our four PTSA reflection winners for their outstanding achievements in advancing from council to district recognition.

## VMHS DRAMA

**COMING SOON**

A C. L. A. S. S. Act Presents:

FEBRUARY 20-22 + FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 2ND @ 7PM

**The Addams Family**  
A NEW MUSICAL COMEDY

February 20 - 22  
February 27 - March 2  
7:00 p.m.

General Admission: \$13  
VMHS students w/ASB: \$10  
Seniors (55+): FREE  
Please visit our school office and present ID to obtain a Golden Pass  
MVUSD Employees w/ ID: FREE  
Tickets available through GOFAN

SCAN THIS QR CODE TO PURCHASE TICKETS

[Click here to purchase tickets](#)

## PARENT LIAISON

**PARENT LIAISON**

**NIKI BRADLEY**

HELPING BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN FAMILY & SCHOOL

Connect with Niki Bradley  
[nbradley@murrieta.k12.ca.us](mailto:nbradley@murrieta.k12.ca.us)



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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. Burrow  
Assistant Principal  
East Hall



Mr. Bennett  
School Psychologist  
Grades 10 - 11 / W115



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



Mrs. Talarzyk  
School Social Worker  
A - L / W112



Mrs. Gonzalez  
School Social Worker  
M - Z / W121

2024-25

## ADVANCED COURSEWORK NIGHT

Thursday, February 20 6:00 P.M.  
**THIS IS A VIRTUAL EVENT**

Join the VMHS Counseling team to explore the various Advanced Coursework Programs offered at VMHS, including Advanced Placement (AP), Dual Enrollment, and Career and Technical Education (CTE) with Community College Articulation.

[CLICK HERE FOR MEETING LINK](#)



## TUTORING

As we approach the end of the six-week grading period, we want to remind all VMHS students that free tutoring services are available. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to get help with missing or late assignments, or to seek clarification before an important test or quiz.

[SCHEDULE](#)



## 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](#)



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

## CHP OPEN HOUSE



[Click here for application information](#)

## SENIORS

### SENIOR RESOURCES



- Seniors receive 6 complimentary tickets.
- Extra** graduation tickets are \$15 each.
- Maximum of 10 extra

Available online or with a bookkeeper.  
Available while supplies last!



June 1st, 2025

**\$350 All day park hopper**

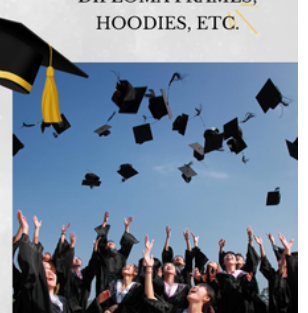
Purchase online or at the bookkeeper  
SALE ENDS 2/28/2025



**SENIORS:**

DID YOU PURCHASE EXTRA CLASS OF 2025 SENIOR GEAR FROM HERFF JONES? MEMORY TASSELS, DIPLOMA FRAMES, HOODIES, ETC.

PLEASE STOP BY THE TRADING POST AND PICK UP YOUR ORDERS!!



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

[APPLY](#)

[INSTRUCTIONS](#)

[SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES](#)

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