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For the Parents, Students and Community of Venice High School

Principal's Message

Dear Venice High School Families,

Autumn is here! Thanksgiving along with Winter Break is around the corner. We have so much to celebrate early into this school year with some noteworthy accomplishments. Six years running, Venice High School has earned "A+" status from the Florida Department of Education as part of the Florida School Recognition Program. This program provides public recognition and financial awards to schools that have sustained high student performance. This form of recognition would not be possible without a highly supportive school community working together for the success of our students. This is the result of parents ensuring that our students are coming to school ready to learn along with highly dedicated, caring, and professional educators who focus on every student, every day.

Venice High School has also enjoyed a highly successful fall athletics season. Our fall athletic teams and marching band have yielded the following results to date:

- Volleyball – 16-12 District Champs and reached FHSAA State Semi-Finals and placed fourth for 7A.
- Football – 5-4 after playing 2 nationally ranked teams. Qualified and currently competing for FHSAA Regional Semi-Finals.
- Swimming – Qualified and currently competing for FHSAA State.
- Boys' Golf - One individual golfer qualified for Regional competition.
- Girls' Golf – Team qualified for Regional Championship.
- Boys & Girls Cross Country – Competed at Regional Championship; one individual qualified for State.
- The Marching Indians earned an Excellent rating at the FBA Marching Band Music Performance Assessments.

More than two years ago, Venice High School initiated a weekly activity/advisory program titled VHS Connects. The

intention of this fledgling program is for students to build positive relationships through a range of activities, ensuring every student feels connected with school. Research indicates there is a strong link between student connectedness to school and improved attendance and academic performance. We are always seeking community volunteers who would care to join us on Monday mornings from 9:45 – 10:45 am to provide support to any of our activity offerings.

As the holidays draw nearer, Venice High School will be pulling together once again to help families in need during the holiday season. This spirit of giving involves Venice High School staff, students, and families supporting those who will benefit greatly from this very kind gesture of goodwill. If you are interested in donating a gift or gift card for a student or family in need, please contact guidance counselor Mrs. Nicole Wolfe at Venice High School.

Midterm exams for most courses are scheduled for December 17 and 18. Exams will also be administered on December 19 and 20 with students being released at 11:00 am. Make up exams will be given on January 6, 2020, which is a professional day and will need to be scheduled with individual teacher(s). No EARLY exams will be given (only "make up" exams after winter break).

The 2019-2020 school calendar is available online at <http://sarasotacountyschools.net/calendar.aspx>. Please reference the school calendar as you make appointments or travel plans. Venice High School's website has all current information and updates to keep families informed. Please check it regularly.

I look forward to working with you and your students throughout the school year. Venice High School's goal is student success! Please contact me if I can assist in any way.

Sincerely,
Eric Jackson, VHS Principal



SENIOR CLASS MEETING

Tuesday, January 14, 2020, 5:30 – 6:30 pm, in the VPAC

A Senior Class student and parent informational meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at 5:30 pm in the Venice Performing Arts Center (VPAC). The meeting will cover spring senior activities, the next steps for college/technical school, scholarships (including Bright Futures), graduation requirements, commencement, and Project Graduation.

JUNIOR CLASS MEETING

Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 5:30 – 6:30 pm, in the VPAC

A Junior Class student and parent informational meeting will be held on Thursday, January 28, 2020, at 5:30 pm in the VPAC. We will provide valuable information to prepare students for their Senior year. Topics will include: Internships, National Honor Society, senior activities, senior schedules, SAT and ACT info., college visits, college and technical school admission process, CHANGES to the Florida Bright Futures scholarship program, volunteer hours, and much more!

COLLEGE NIGHT at Venice High —Tuesday, March 3, 2020

Mark your calendar! On Tuesday, March 3, 2020, VHS and Rotary Futures will host the 18th annual South Sarasota County College Night at Venice High School.

- 5:30 – 6:30 pm “Big 4” Presentation in the VHS Gym: Hear from admissions representatives from the Univ. of Florida, Florida State, Univ. of Central Florida
- 6:00 – 7:30 pm: Approximately 60+ schools will be in attendance from Florida and around the country.

Our college fair is free and open to anyone in the area. Our College Night is MUCH LESS crowded than the county college fair held at Robarts Arena. Last year, 700 students and parents attended! Don't miss the opportunity visit with college representatives here on our own campus.

CLASS of 2020 BRIGHT FUTURES & STATE AID INFORMATION

ANY SENIOR who wants to be considered for one of the many State of Florida grants INCLUDING the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship, MUST complete the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) prior to graduation (not to be confused with the Federal Aid Application—FAFSA). ONLY SENIORS MAY COMPLETE THE APPLICATION which opens in October of senior year.

We prefer seniors complete the 15-minute FFAA application in Rotary Futures where we will have staff available for assistance. The application is simple and only takes 15 minutes to complete (no financial questions). Once your application is submitted, corrections can be VERY

difficult, and you may have to make the corrections directly with the State of Florida – Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA.)

To complete the ONLINE application at home:

1. Go to FloridaStudentFinancialAidSG.org
 2. Under First Time Applicants, click on “Create Student Account.”
 3. After creating the account and submitting, click on the link to complete the FFAA (Florida Financial Aid Application.) This step is VERY important.
 4. Students should receive 2 emails from OSFA within the next 2-3 days. The first email will indicate the Student Account was created. The second email will indicate the application was submitted.
 5. Follow the steps in the email to access the account and reset the password.
- For more information on the recent changes to the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, go to their website: www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/SSFAD/bf/.

SENIORS—START YOUR SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH NOW!

The Rotary Futures College Resource Center offers a scholarship database that houses approximately 500 scholarships—local, state, national and institutional. The database is very user-friendly and is available to any Sarasota County high school Senior. Seniors should be accessing this scholarship program NOW! Most scholarships have February and March deadlines, and these deadlines will pass quickly after the first of the year. Rotary Futures is open Tuesday–Friday, 7:00 am – 3:30 pm and is closed on Mondays and school holidays. We encourage parents and students from other schools to call before visiting to avoid unexpected closures due to presentations, meetings, illness, etc.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Complete instructions are available on the VHS website > School Resources > Community Service Hours Info.

Any student wishing to complete their volunteer hours for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship MUST complete the ONLINE Sarasota County School District registration process and have the plan approved. Students register online at www.SarasotaCountySchools.net, click on the “Parents & Student” menu at the top of the page, under “Other Resources” follow the link “High School Community Service.”

Remember, community service is an excellent way for students to build their resume and obtain valuable experience for college essays and scholarship competitions.

Important and requirements:

- Do NOT start the registration application until the student knows where they are going to volunteer. The registration application does NOT save and you will be “locked” out if you do not complete the application when you start.
- Each organization/activity should be approved before the student volunteers. Once approved the student will be able to print a unique log sheet for the organization/activity. New organizations/activities may be added for approval at any time!

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- Approval only takes 2 – 3 days and sometimes sooner. Don't wait for an approval email (because sometimes the system has problems sending emails). You may log in anytime to see if you have been approved. If you can print out a log sheet, you know you've been approved.
- Students **MUST** volunteer in the Sarasota County area.
- **NO MORE THAN 8 HOURS** may be earned each day (due to child labor laws).
- **NON-PROFIT and CHURCH RULES:** All volunteering must take place with a non-profit organization. Exceptions include hospitals and assisted living facilities (enrichment activities only). Church Community Service must be outreach to the entire community—no religious instruction or activities that are part of being a member of the church will count, i.e. no activities during church services.
- When you turn in your log sheets, you must complete the Community Plan Evaluation form. This is available on the page where you print out the log sheets.

SAT PREP CLASS

There will be an after-school SAT prep class for VHS students only. The class provides students with 12 hours of test-taking strategies applicable to the ACT, too. The class will prepare students for the spring SATs and ACTs, and the classes will be held at VHS on Tuesdays—Feb. 4th, 11th, 25th, and March 3rd from 3:15-5:15 pm AND on Saturday, March 7th, 8 am-12 noon. All classes are taught by Ms. Wendy Dunn. Class fills quickly and is limited to 25 students. The fee for the course is \$100, PLUS the cost of the book. Students are registered first come, first served upon receipt of the course fee.

Students who receive Free or Reduced lunch may take the class for only \$50 (includes the book). Proof of free and reduced lunch will be required (copy of letter from school nutrition office.) If the student attends all classes, the \$50 will be refunded!

For a registration flyer, contact Mrs. Kindell or Mrs. Pinkerton in the Rotary Futures College Resource Center. Email: Kim.Kindell@sarasotacounty schools.net.

REMAINING 2019-2020 SAT AND ACT DATES

SAT: Register at www.CollegeBoard.org
 March 14, 2020
 May 2, 2020
 June 6, 2020

ACT: Register at www.ACT.org
 December 14, 2019
 February 8, 2020
 April 4, 2020
 June 13, 2020
 July 18, 2020



Dates are subject to change. Check websites for up-to-date information. SAT and ACT writing/essay is Optional. NO Florida college or university requires the optional writing/essay, nor does the Bright Futures Scholarship Program.

***Waivers for test fees are available for juniors and seniors who are receive Free or Reduced Lunch. Go to Rotary Futures to get the waivers.

JUNIORS—DO NOT WAIT until your senior year to take your first test! Take one SAT and one ACT before the end of your junior year. We suggest you take both the SAT and ACT once you have completed Algebra 2 (or are about to complete Algebra 2). Some students do much better on one test than the other, so take both to see on which you do the best. You may take each test multiple times, too! All Florida public universities and most colleges and schools will accept EITHER test, and they will superscore using the best combination of scores from all tests taken.

FINANCIAL AID FOR SENIORS

Check out “8 Steps to Filling out the FAFSA” on the VHS Website > Resources > Venice High Downloads.

FAFSA stands for FREE Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA is the Federal Financial Aid Application. The information gathered on the FAFSA provides the federal and state government, as well as most postsecondary institutions, with the financial information needed to determine the amount of financial aid that a student is eligible to receive. Since this aid is based on need, it is very important to gather financial information from the family to make proper determinations. Therefore, the FAFSA should be filed as soon after October 1st as possible. Many colleges have priority FAFSA completion deadlines of December 1st or January 1st. File the FAFSA online at www.FAFSA.gov Beware of SCAM websites. Always use the website that ends in .GOV (dot GOV)! Remember—the FAFSA is always FREE. Need help? Contact the Rotary Futures College Resource Center.

JUNIOR FAMILIES...Looking for an early start on the FAFSA? Try the FAFSA4caster at StudentAid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/estimate

High school juniors can take advantage of the FAFSA4caster, learn about the financial aid process, gain early awareness of aid eligibility, and much more. By using FAFSA4caster, you and your family will receive an early estimate of eligibility for federal student aid.



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Please direct emails to Debra. Colombo@sarasotacountyschools.net or fax (941) 486-2034.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Guidance Corner

Seniors are finishing their college applications and waiting for acceptance letters. Please make sure that you are visiting the Rotary Futures College Resource Center to receive expert help on your college applications and scholarship applications. Please speak with your counselor or one of the counselors in Rotary Futures to help with post-secondary planning. We have information on STC (formerly SCTI), vocational schools, colleges, universities and the military.

If your student has not passed the FSA ELA or one of the EOC tests, we encourage you to see your counselor to find out about websites that offer test preparation. The fall FSA ELA scores should be available prior to the winter break. Students may use an acceptable ACT or SAT concordant score to meet graduation requirements. Please see your counselor if you have not passed the FSA ELA, yet.

VHS continues to be a testing site for the ACT and SAT. Students can register online or obtain a registration form in the guidance department. Students that are planning to attend a 4-year university will need either an ACT or SAT score for admission. Please see your guidance counselor if you need assistance with registering for a test.

Please know that the SUS (State University System of Florida) does not count ALG 1A and ALG 1B as 2 separate math credits for university acceptance. The SUS will count this combination as 1 math credit.

Athletes---stay aware of your NCAA status. If you need assistance, please speak with your coach or guidance counselor. Please remember that the approved course listing has changed, so make sure that your courses comply with the requirements of NCAA. Liberal Arts Math does not count as a NCAA math and ALG 1A and ALG 1B are only .5 credits with NCAA.

Students that will be taking DE classes need to see their guidance counselor asap in order to make sure that they have all of the necessary paperwork and test scores in place for their spring courses. The final deadline for enrolling in spring classes at SCF is November 18, 2019. Remember that some History and Science classes at SCF only count as .5 high school credit.

The graduating class of 2020 will need to make sure that they have met the 26 credit requirement and have passed the FSA ELA, passed the Algebra 1 EOC and have taken the Geometry, Biology, and US History EOC. The 2020 graduates will also need to have an online course and at least a 2.0 gpa.

- Nicole Wolfe- A-Ce
- Nancy Hopper-Ch-F
- Mike Bartlett- G-K
- Brenda Bartlett- L-O
- Mia Slaton- P-SI
- Morgan Taylor-Sm-Z

Out of Field Assignments

(November 2019)

The Florida State Department of Education requires that school districts notify parents/guardians when their children are being instructed by a teacher who is "out-of-field." "Out-of-field" is a term used for teachers who are assigned teaching duties in a class dealing with a subject matter that is outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers are teaching out-of-field in certain subject for 2018 - 2019 school year:

- Dean Ball – German K-12
- Joshua Grant – ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)
- Alexis Harmon – Business Education 6-12
- John Hearon – Drama 6-12
- Courtney Opsatnick – ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

It is important to note that the district requires "out-of-field" teachers to actively pursue certification requirements.

Project Graduation

This year the Class of 2020 will celebrate the 32nd year of Project Graduation events for Venice High School. We are happy to provide a positive, memorable, and safe all-night celebration for Venice High School graduates on the night of graduation, Friday, May 22.

The planning committee is starting to work on this year's event and we would love for you to be involved. Our next meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 6:00 p.m. at Daiquiri Deck.

Project Graduation depends on the support and generosity of businesses and individuals in our community. Some of the ways that you can support Project Graduation are with donations of food, prizes, or monetary contributions.

We also need parent volunteers to help in lots of ways – planning the event, helping running concessions at sporting events, fundraising, and help the night of the event.

Volunteers to help run the concession stand during sporting events in the VHS gym are needed! If you are interested in volunteering please let us know.

If you are able to volunteer, would like to donate or would like more information, please contact Lisa at 941-234-6141 or email venicehighprojectgraduation@gmail.com.

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Venice High School 2019 - 2020 Midterm Exam Schedule

Tuesday, December 17th, 2019
8th Period Examination

Period 1: 7:30 – 8:10 (40 minutes)		
Period 2: 8:15 – 8:55 (40 minutes)		
Period 3: 9:00 – 9:40 (40 minutes)		
Period 4 Lunch Scenario	Period 5 Lunch Scenario	Period 6 Lunch Scenario
Period 4 Lunch: 9:40 – 10:10 (30 minutes)	Period 4 Class: 9:45 – 10:25 (40 minutes)	Period 4 Class: 9:45 – 10:25 (40 minutes)
Period 5 Class: 10:15 – 10:55 (40 minutes)	Period 5 Lunch: 10:25 – 10:55 (30 minutes)	Period 5 Class: 10:30 – 11:15 (40 minutes)
Period 6 Class: 11:00 – 11:45 (45 minutes)	Period 6 Class: 11:00 – 11:45 (45 minutes)	Period 6 Lunch: 11:15 – 11:45 (30 minutes)
Period 7: 11:50 – 12:30 (40 minutes)		
Period 8 Examination: 12:35 – 2:15 (100 minutes)		

Wednesday, December 18th, 2019
3rd period and 7th period examinations

Period 1: 7:30 – 8:05 (35 minutes)		
Period 2: 8:10 – 8:45 (35 minutes)		
Period 3 Examination: 8:50 – 10:30 (100 minutes)		
Period 4 Lunch Scenario	Period 5 Lunch Scenario	Period 6 Lunch Scenario
Period 4 Lunch: 10:30 – 11:00 (30 minutes)	Period 4 Class: 10:35 – 11:15 (40 minutes)	Period 4 Class: 10:35 – 11:15 (40 minutes)
Period 5 Class: 11:05 – 11:45 (40 minutes)	Period 5 Lunch: 11:15 – 11:45 (30 minutes)	Period 5 Class: 11:20 – 12:00 (40 minutes)
Period 6 Class: 11:50 – 12:30 (40 minutes)	Period 6 Class: 11:50 – 12:30 (40 minutes)	Period 6 Lunch: 12:00 – 12:30 (30 minutes)
Period 7 Examination: 12:35 – 2:15 (100 minutes)		
No Period 8 today		

Thursday, December 19th, 2019 (Half Day)

1st period: 7:30 – 9:10 a.m.
4th period or 5th period (with 4th lunch): 9:15 – 10:55 a.m.
Bus dismissal will be @ 11:05 a.m.

Friday, December 20th, 2019 (Half Day)

2nd period: 7:30 – 9:10 a.m.
5th period (with 6th lunch) or 6th period: 9:15 – 10:55 a.m.
Bus dismissal will be @ 11:05 a.m.



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Community and Business Partner Involvement

Volunteering

- Level 1 is the starting point for all volunteering. You must be Level 1 approved before you can be Level 2 approved. With a Level 1 clearance, you must stay within eye and earshot of a school faculty member or teacher at all times.



New Volunteers:

- Sign up!** Sign up on the Community Involvement Portal at www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/2629. You will be able to do this from home or in the Venice High School lobby. Once you complete your application and background check through Verified Volunteers, OCI will notify you when you are approved.
- Reach out!** Once approved, you will be added to the schools approved volunteer list. If you are eager, reach out to schools so you can get started ASAP!

Past Volunteers:

- You must re-register regardless of your prior involvement at VHS or another school.
- Follow steps #1 and #2 from above

Level 2 Volunteers:

- Get approved as a Level 1 Volunteer
- Click on "Level 2 Volunteering" when registering to learn about next steps.

Partners in Education

- Partners in Education are businesses, organizations, or individuals that want to do give back to our schools in ways other than volunteering (they can volunteer too!). This can be in-kind or monetary donations, adopting classrooms, event assistance, etc.

To become a business partner, you should:

- Sign up!** Sign up on the Community Involvement Portal at www.sarasotacountyschools.net/Page/2631 to give VHS your contact information and let us know what you are interested in helping with.
- Reach out!** Let us know you are interested in becoming a partner. Call our Business Partner Coordinator, **Dr. Danielle Tanaka at 941-488-6726 or email at Danielle.tanaka@sarasotacountyschools.net**.

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Pay It Forward

Do you have any of those Christmas gifts/gift cards laying around that you will never use and can't return? If so, we would be glad to take them off your hands.

Each year VHS likes to be able to provide gifts in the form of gift cards or items to some of our less fortunate students. This year we were able to surprise several of our students with a Christmas gift. Our goal is to make it even bigger and better next year. So, we are starting early and asking for your help in hopes to reach our goal for next year.

All donations can be dropped off at the VHS Attendance office in the front office. If you have any questions, feel free to call Christine Pomerleau 941-488-6726. Thank you for your continued support!

Venice Community International Trips

In support of our school's IB philosophy, we are excited to offer FOUR incredible international travel opportunities for all our VHS students, staff, faculty, and community members of Venice! These are non-school sponsored, non-exclusive community tours where travelers have the opportunity to earn high school or college credit focused on international travel experiences, hands-on learning and lasting cultural connections for both students and adults.

Spring Break 2020: ROME & GREECE with Mrs. Schmucker IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP - to find out more information about this tour, please contact Mrs. Schmucker at eileen.schumker@sarasotacountyschools.net, or by visiting the tour website at www.eftours.com/2187133TE.

June 2020: NEW ZEALAND & AUSTRALIA with Mrs. Woodmancy IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP - to find out more information about this tour, please contact Mrs. Woodmancy at woodmancytravels@gmail.com, or by visiting the tour website at www.eftours.com/2166503SZ.

July 2020: PORTUGAL & SPAIN with Mr. Debacco IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP - to find out more information about this tour, please contact Mr. Debacco at debaccotravel@gmail.com, or by visiting the tour website at www.eftours.com/2190219XK.

NEW! Spring Break 2021: THE GALAPAGOS with Mrs. Woodmancy Your perspective on the world will evolve when you walk in Darwin's footsteps on this fascinating archipelago. On Isabela, Santa Cruz and San Cristóbal islands, you'll observe the giant tortoises, finches and mockingbirds that helped solidify Darwin's theory of evolution. On mainland Ecuador, the discoveries will be more culturally oriented at Quito's Independence Plaza, the Intiñan Museum and Otavalo. ****There will be an informational meeting about this tour on Tuesday, February 4th at 6:00 PM at 5300 Laurel Road East, Venice, FL 34275; please contact Mrs. Woodmancy at woodmancytravels@gmail.com for more information.****

NEW! June 2021: ENGLAND with Mrs. Donofrio You'll visit Oxford and its world-renowned university; the prehistoric monuments of Stonehenge; Stratford-upon-Avon, the birthplace of Shakespeare; the picturesque countryside of English rural life; and the cosmopolitan, multi-cultural capital city of London. To find out more information about this tour, please contact Mrs. Donofrio at elizabeth.donofrio@sarasotacountyschools.net or by visiting the tour website at www.eftours.com/2254000EF.

NEW! July 2021: CHINA with Mrs. Schumcker You'll step into a world where old meets new as you travel across one of the most interesting places in the South Pacific. To find out more information about this tour, please contact Mrs. Schumcker at eileen.schumker@sarasotacountyschools.net.

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VHS Dress Code Guide 2019-2020 School Year

HOODS

Hoods are NOT to be worn in the building.

SKIRTS, DRESSES, and SHORTS

Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be mid-thigh or lower, including athletic shorts.

APPROPRIATE



INAPPROPRIATE



SHIRTS AND TOPS

- Strapless tops, backless tops, midriffs, and low-cut necklines are prohibited.
- Strapless and sleeveless tops may be worn with a cardigan or sweater that fully covers all areas appropriately.
- Shoulder straps must have a minimum width of a dollar bill.
- Undergarments must NOT display alcohol, drug, or sexual references.

APPROPRIATE



INAPPROPRIATE



PANTS, LEGGINGS, and EXPOSED UNDERGARMENTS

- Jeans with holes, shreds, and rips at mid-thigh or lower will be permitted.
- Shreds or rips above mid-thigh may NOT reveal skin.
- Pants must stay up without using a belt for assistance.
- Leggings and yoga pants are permitted if skin and undergarments are not revealing.

APPROPRIATE



INAPPROPRIATE



This article is designed to address common questions and misconceptions about the dress code at Venice High School.

Administrators, teachers, and students worked together to establish a dress code that strikes a balance of what is considered reasonable and appropriate for a school setting.

We appreciate your support of the dress expectations that have been established and hope that this handout is helpful.

STUDENT DRESS CODE:

Please adhere to the following expectations during school hours and school-sponsored events:

- no short shorts (all shorts must be a MINIMUM of mid-thigh in length)
- ripped or shredded pants, above mid-thigh, may not reveal skin
- no saggy / baggy pants
- leggings and yoga pants are permitted if skin and undergarments are not visible
- no pajamas or slippers
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- no tube / bando or see-through tops
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Art News

Submitted by: Dr. Jackie Henson-Dacey

Students in the Advanced Placement Studio Art class and the International Baccalaureate Visual Arts class were able to travel to St. Petersburg in October to explore the art of Salvador Dali. Students were also able to walk the Shine Mural (street art) work on their way to the Glassblowing demonstration at Morean Art Center.



*Students viewing
Abe Lincoln Portrait.*



*Glassblowing Demonstration
at Morean Art Center*



Students outside of the Dali Museum.

The Community Foundation of Sarasota County has awarded Dr. Henson-Dacey a generous grant to hire the Florida Studio Theatre to work with students in the Pre-IB Visual Arts program on a unit in puppetry around the world. FST will also be working directly with the IB (DP) students at their next pull-out focusing on social emotional learning through theatre games. The artist residency with FST will begin in early January and run through March 2020. Contact Dr. Henson-Dacey if you would like more information or become more involved in the artist residency on campus.



Scholastic Art and Writing competition is in full swing with over 55 students in the art program submitting artwork for this national competition and scholarship opportunity. At the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, the presenter of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, believe that the voices of the next generation should be heard and shared with a national audience. More importantly, they believe that the recognition and scholarships provided for these exceptional young people can be life-changing. Samantha Shanley was a GOLD metal winner last year and received scholarship money to continue her education at a post-secondary school of her choice. This competition and exhibition will be on full view at the Ringling College of Art and Design on January 10th.

Embracing Our Differences

Congratulations for the following students who participated in the 'Embracing Our Differences' competition (art + quotes):

Artwork: Holly Hodge (grade 9)

Quotes:

- Michael Bielanski (12th)
- Kelly Chen (12th)
- Allison Coppola (12th)
- Curtis Gaskell (12th)
- Jack Kimball (12th)
- Cooper Lyon (12th)
- Masha (Maria) Makarenko (12th)
- Daniel Meyer (12th)
- Lam Nguyen (12th)
- Jordan Ogle (12th)
- Odessa Raynal (12th)
- Lauren Stone (12th)
- Colton Stonehouse (12th)
- James Wardlaw (12th)
- Beckett (Andrew) Wilson (12th)
- Zachary Younts (12th)





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VHS's Interclub Council

VHS's Interclub Council (ICC) welcomed two new student organizations on campus at their meeting on November 6th. Science National Honor Society will recognize students with outstanding achievements in science classes at VHS. Its founding board includes President Hailey Thompson '20; Vice President Carson Lynn '20; Secretary Beau Sammacheep '20; Treasurer Lexi Myer '21; Historian Renee Anahtarci '20; and ICC Representative Sabrina Murdocca '20. Meetings will be held on Fridays at 7 a.m. Contact sponsor Mrs. Addie Woodmancy for more information.

Indian Outreach is an inclusive service

organization that will focus on supporting local community service organizations. Its founding board includes President Emma Haley '21; Vice President Taylor Wade '21; Secretary Zoe Terrell '21; Treasurer Emma Young '21; and Kennedy Cameron '21 and Carly Kruysman '21. Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month. Contact sponsor Mr. Zach DeBacco for more information.



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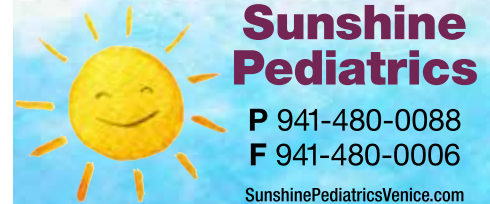
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Spanish Honor Society

The Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica (Spanish Honor Society) has 34 members this year, and meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 a.m in Sra. Corso's RM 4-246. This past October 17th we inducted fifteen new members to the society! This month of November, we are collecting canned/boxed foods for local Hispanic families in need. In December we are continuing our third year of service to the Guadalupe foundation in Immokalee FL where every society member brings an unwrapped, new toy for the children of migrant worker families. This tradition started with one of our former VHS IB graduates, Juliette Daddario.

This year we hosted our first Spanish Heritage Celebration via our VHS Connects time. Special thanks to our SHS officers, Lorett Alarcón, Renee Anahtarci, Adriana Huffman, Trishna Patel, and Emma Young for assisting in the organization and carry out of this event! Students had the opportunity to try Hispanic foods, snacks, drinks, and dance to traditional and modern Hispanic music! They also got to meet our CEO from the Puerto Rican chamber of commerce, Elizabeth Cuevas Nuender, along with Cintia Elenstar from Unidos Now. Thank you to dept teachers Kristy Murray, Paulo Serrano, José Veléz, and Assistant Principal Dr. Robin Livingston. Special thanks to Francis Ciancarell, Susan Klein, Sarah Tietjan, and Nicole Wolfe, for foods, and/or organization help.

We would also like to extend a big "Gracias" to donated time, food/snacks from Publix on the island, Tomatillos by Jacaranda, Puerto Rican Chamber of Commerce, and Unidos Now. Contact Mrs. Monique Rodriguez Corso with any questions. Follow us soon on Instagram (VHS Spanish Honor Society) for pictures and to receive updates.



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Venice FBLA Inducts Officers and Members

As is tradition, the FBLA organization at Venice High School held an induction ceremony for its eight officers and 42 members. The event took place on November 13th, in the VPAC.

Madeleine Zubyk and Mariola Alder are the advisers of the organization.

Students will compete in their business-related event on January 11, 2020 at Southeast High School in Bradenton. All members that place will qualify to compete at the State Conference in March. Good Luck officers and members!

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 Zackary Asbridge - Parliamentarian
 Curtiss Gaskell - Historian
 Calder Volino - Reporter
 Jack Wardlaw - Treasurer
 James Warlaw - Secretary
 Michael Bielanski - Vice President
 Colton Stonehouse - President

Members

Fred Beyer	Shannon Dettart	Carly Krusman	Parker Stovell	Olivia Seibert	Emma Young
Holly Bielanski	Landen Didsbury	Luke Lawton	Trishna Patel	Kayla Sibley	Trent Young
Kennedy Cameron	Emma Foltz	Emilia Maluselo	Madelyn Paula	Daniel Staas	
Julia Cardinal	Connor Gohl	Mia Martin	Jacob Porvaznik	Briar Stonehouse	
Kelly Chen	Emma Haley	Ethan Matthews	Cassandra Reckahn	Isabella Thompson-Carpenter	
Allison Coppola	Jack Irvin	Breah Melvin	Napat Sammacheep	Brian Williams	
Samantha Crosen	Sadie Kloner	Daniel Meyer	Alaysha Sams	Virginia Wilson	
Richard Danz	Sutton Kluner	Katie Nguyen	Katie Schwitz	Brayden Wittenbauer	



Varsity Baseball Schedule

DATE	DETAILS		OPPONENT	TIME
2/13	Venice (Preseason)	vs	Barron Collier	7:00
2/14	Plant City (Preseason)	vs	Timber Creek	7:00
2/15	Barron Collier (Pre.)	vs	Timber Creek	11:00
2/15	Venice (Preseason)	vs	Plant City	2:00
2/20-2/22	HSBN Invitational	@	TBD (Miami)	TBD
2/28	Venice	vs	Calvary Christian	7:00
2/29	Venice	@	Palmetto	1:00
3/3	Venice	@	Sarasota	7:00
3/6	Venice Teacher Appr.	vs	Chiles	7:00
3/9	Venice	vs	Riverview	7:00
3/12	Venice	@	Calvary Christian (Clearwater)	7:00
3/16	Venice	@	Chiles (Tallahassee)	2:00
3/17	Venice	@	Lowndes GA (Tallahassee)	4:00
3/18	Venice	vs	Oviedo	5:00
3/23-3/26	Sarasota Classic	vs	TBD	7:00
4/3	Venice	vs	Sarasota (@CoolToday Park)	7:00
4/4	Venice	vs	Barron Collier (@CoolToday Park)	7:00
4/9	Venice	vs	Mitchell	7:00
4/14	Venice Senior Night	vs	Lakewood Ranch	7:00
4/17	Venice	vs	Palmetto	7:00
4/18	Venice Veterans Night	vs	Cardinal Mooney	5:00
4/20	Venice	@	Riverview	7:00
4/22	Venice	vs	Tampa Jesuit	7:00
4/24	Venice	vs	Largo	7:00
4/27-5/1	District Tournament	TBD	TBD	TBD
TBD	Regional Tournament	TBD	TBD	TBD
5/25-27	State Tournament	@	CenturyLink Fort Myers	TBD

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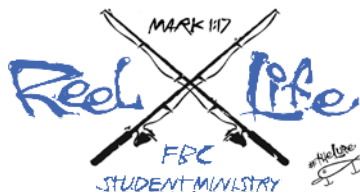
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VHS Connects (VHC) Bell Schedule 2019-2020

Monday Bell Schedule											
1st Lunch Schedule				2nd Lunch Schedule				3rd Lunch Schedule			
Period	Start	End	Minutes	Period	Start	End	Minutes	Period	Start	End	Minutes
1	7:30 AM	8:23 AM	0:53	1	7:30 AM	8:23 AM	0:53	1	7:30 AM	8:23 AM	0:53
2	8:28 AM	9:08 AM	0:40	2	8:28 AM	9:08 AM	0:40	2	8:28 AM	9:08 AM	0:40
3	9:13 AM	9:53 AM	0:40	3	9:13 AM	9:53 AM	0:40	3	9:13 AM	9:53 AM	0:40
VHC	9:53 AM	10:46 AM	0:53	VHC	9:53 AM	10:46 AM	0:53	VHC	9:53 AM	10:46 AM	0:53
4th lunch	10:46 AM	11:16 AM	0:30	4	10:51 AM	11:31 AM	0:40	4	10:51 AM	11:31 AM	0:40
5	11:21 AM	12:01 PM	0:40	5th Lunch	11:31 AM	12:01 PM	0:30	5	11:36 AM	12:16 PM	0:40
6	12:06 PM	12:46 PM	0:40	6	12:06 PM	12:46 PM	0:40	6th lunch	12:16 PM	12:46 PM	0:30
7	12:51 PM	01:31 PM	0:40	7	12:51 PM	01:31 PM	0:40	7	12:51 PM	01:31 PM	0:40
8	01:36 PM	02:15 PM	0:39	8	01:36 PM	02:15 PM	0:39	8	01:36 PM	02:15 PM	0:39

*3rd period teachers will take attendance then send them to their VHC site. Students will sign in once they are there.

*STC students still need to be dismissed at 10:15 am

*VTV News 1st period

VHS Bell Schedule 2019-2020

Tuesday - Friday Regular Bell Schedule											
1st Lunch Schedule				2nd Lunch Schedule				3rd Lunch Schedule			
Period	Start	End	Minutes	Period	Start	End	Minutes	Period	Start	End	Minutes
1	7:30 AM	8:21 AM	0:51	1	7:30 AM	8:21 AM	0:51	1	7:30 AM	8:21 AM	0:51
2	8:26 AM	9:15 AM	0:49	2	8:26 AM	9:15 AM	0:49	2	8:26 AM	9:15 AM	0:49
3	9:20 AM	10:09 AM	0:49	3	9:20 AM	10:09 AM	0:49	3	9:20 AM	10:09 AM	0:49
4th lunch	10:09 AM	10:39 AM	0:30	4	10:14 AM	11:03 AM	0:49	4	10:14 AM	11:03 AM	0:49
5	10:44 AM	11:33 AM	0:49	5th lunch	11:03 AM	11:33 AM	0:30	5	11:08 AM	11:57 AM	0:49
6	11:38 AM	12:27 PM	0:49	6	11:38 AM	12:27 PM	0:49	6th lunch	11:57 AM	12:27 PM	0:30
7	12:32 PM	01:21 PM	0:49	7	12:32 PM	01:21 PM	0:49	7	12:32 PM	01:21 PM	0:49
8	01:26 PM	02:15 PM	0:49	8	01:26 PM	02:15 PM	0:49	8	01:26 PM	02:15 PM	0:49