



attendance **MATTERS**

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES:

Parents/guardians must notify the Attendance Office within 72 hours to clear a student's absence. All absences, early releases, and appointments must be reported using the [Google Form](#).

Please note that the form must be submitted using the parent/guardian email address registered in Aeries (parents will get a confirmation email).

Students are not permitted to submit the form **UNLESS** they are 18 years old.

You may contact our attendance clerk by email for any questions:

Lisa Kastelan: kastelan@pvpusd.net

The A/B Calendar can be found on the PVHS website in case of any discrepancies.

Please click on the link here: [A/B Cal & Bells](#)

Daily Bulletin:

Monday November 17th, 2025

7:30 - 8:25 Zero Period

8:30 - 10:25 Period 1

10:25 - 10:35 Nutrition

10:40 - 12:45 Period 2

12:45 - 1:15 Lunch

1:20 - 3:15 Period 3

CSF ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

Donations to benefit the Luskin Children's

Orthopaedic Institute



Nov 17 - Dec 5, 2025

Drop off items to Room 316 or Library

*NEW toys only for children aged infant - 18

Total donation value must equal \$20 for CSF credit.

(*minimum value of individual toys should be \$5--please)

Not a member of CSF but want to spread some holiday cheer? Please feel free to join in the fun and help these deserving children by donating an item.

CSF is sponsoring its annual Toy Drive and is partnering again this year to benefit the Luskin Orthopaedic Institute for Children. Please bring NEW and UNWRAPPED toy items for children aged infant to 18 years to Room 316 or the Library between Monday, 11/17 and Friday, 12/5.

To earn CSF donation credit, the total value of toy donation(s) must equal at least \$20. Bring your CSF Fall Service Log for signature when you donate.

Not a member of CSF but want to spread some holiday cheer? Please feel free to join in the fun and help these deserving students by dropping a toy or two in the donation boxes.



Attention Seniors

Attention Seniors and Senior Parents:

Senior portraits **MUST** be taken through our contracted photographer [\(PSS Imaging\)](#). Please note that images **WILL NOT** be accepted from any other photographer/company. You have missed the make-up days on campus.

They take in-house appointments at their studio in Anaheim.
Contact information: **PSS Imaging, 1630 S. Sunkist Street, Suite S, Anaheim, 92806** (714) 630-7785 or email at pssimaging@msn.com.

PORTRAITS MUST BE TAKEN BY DECEMBER 19, 2025.

All Senior Dedication Ads will be created directly through Jostens for the 2025-26 school year. **DO NOT SEND MATERIALS TO THE SCHOOL OR ADVISOR.** PVHS Ads at [Jostens' link](#) or Jostens' website and select Palos Verdes High School for sizing, pricing, and creating an ad for your senior. Customer service: 1-800-358-0800

ADS MUST BE COMPLETED BY NOVEMBER 10, 2025.

CLASS Comp SCORES





Thank you for your interest in Palos Verdes Baseball.

We will be holding two separate tryouts this fall, **one for 9th graders** and **one for 10th-12th graders**.

We will be holding freshmen baseball tryouts for our program on Wednesday, November 12, through Friday, November 14, with Saturday, November 15, reserved in case of any weather or scheduling issues. Tryouts will take place after school on the baseball field.

Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will try out on Monday, November 10th. Tryouts will take place after school on the baseball field. Wednesday, November 12, through Friday, November 14, will be reserved in case of any weather or scheduling issues.

We've scheduled tryouts from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., though we do not anticipate using the full two hours each day.

If you are unable to attend or participate in tryouts due to travel or injury, please contact me in advance to let me know. My classroom is Room 309.

If you are a fall athlete still competing on the varsity level of your sport, please do not attend baseball tryouts until your current season has officially concluded. This typically applies to football players called up to varsity for playoffs.

If you are a winter athlete, you have two options:

1. Arrange with your winter sports coach to try out for baseball.
2. Try out at the conclusion of your winter season (early February).

Reminders:

- Dress to play the game of baseball: hat, baseball pants, and all necessary equipment (glove, bat, and any position-specific gear).
- Expect to throw, hit, run, and pitch (if applicable).
- Players who make the team should expect practices and games over Spring Break.

We currently have 36 students who have expressed interest in trying out, and that number usually grows by the actual tryout date. Please note that with this many students trying out, unfortunately, not all will be selected for the team. We encourage all players to give their best effort and to view the tryout process as an opportunity to grow and compete.



Good luck, and please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Coach Alex Morales



BASEBALL TRYOUT INFORMATION -

For any student interested in trying out for baseball.

The link below is for an information form to help us estimate how many students plan to try out for baseball. Based on the responses, we'll design the tryouts, determine how many days are needed, and then set the official tryout dates.

This form is ONLY accessible to students using a @pvpusd.net email address.

2026 Season Baseball Tryout Information Gathering Form [HERE](#)



PVHS Chinese Lab 中文角



1. Culture Workshops Chinese Culture Club & NCHS

For all PVHS Students/Staff

- Chinese Cultural Education
- Activities & Food
- Monthly Themes

2nd Wednesday @ Lunch

(Once a Month)



**First Meeting
on 11/12!**

Chinese Calligraphy
& Brush Painting

For more information
madeleinengo248@gmail.com
amy.wen26@gmail.com

2. Library NCHS

For all PVHS Students/Staff

- Chinese Books
- Borrow/Read Books
- Monthly Storytime

1st Thursday @ Lunch

(Once a Month)
Tentative start on 12/4

Stay Tuned for Sign Ups

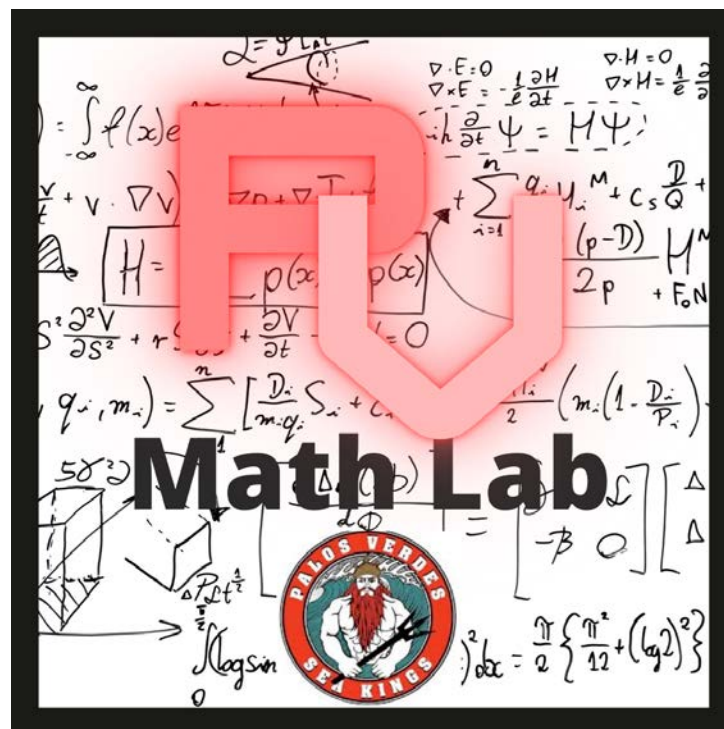
For more information
wein@pvpusd.net

**Location : Room 413
Teacher/Advisor : Ms. Wei**



COUNSELING *Department*

The last day to drop or level down in a class with a W for withdrawal on your transcript is this Friday, October 31, 2025. Any class drops or level down changes must have space availability and the ability to work in your schedule. Any further class drops between November 3–December 19, 2025 will result in an automatic F (fail) on the transcript. Please see or contact your counselor with any questions you may have.



Math Lab:

Students - Do you need extra help in Alg 1, Geom, Alg 2, or Pre Calc? Come to Math Lab on **Mondays and Tuesdays at lunch in Room 407** to get free peer

tutoring in math! Students in regular math classes receive extra credit for attendance at Math Lab! Don't miss out on this great opportunity to get your questions answered and feel more confident in your math class! Math Lab runs every **Monday and Tuesday at lunch in the Fall Semester, starting September 22!**

If you have any questions, please see your School Counselor.

Spanish Lab:

Are you in Spanish 1 or 2 and feel like you could use some extra help? Spanish Lab is the answer! Spanish Lab meets **every Thursday at lunch in room 412**. Get peer tutor help from AP Spanish students and receive extra credit for attendance! **Spanish Lab runs weekly on Thursdays in room 412 or the Fall Semester, starting September 25.**

If you have any questions, please contact your School Counselor.



2025-2026 Counseling Office Directory

D.J. Hill, Associate Principal
Hilld@pvpusd.net
 310-378-8471 x43204

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S-Z	Heidi Shulman	43220	shulmanh@pvpusd.net

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ACT Practice Test
NOVEMBER 15 - 16

Deadline to register: Thursday, Nov. 13th

Sign up for a FREE at-home practice test!

The PVHSCC has partnered with Compass Education to offer an at-home, computer-proctored digital ACT practice test at no cost.

This complimentary at-home ACT practice test is a \$50 value.

Practice tests provide our students with just that... **practice before taking a college entrance exam!**

For **SENIORS in our CLASS OF 2026**, this is an amazing opportunity to take a full length practice ACT before the **last official ACT in December** this year. There are universities like the **University of Tennessee, Mississippi and Mizzou** that will reconsider merit scholarship when higher scores are submitted even after a student has been admitted. There is also opportunity to increase your ACT score to submit with RD applications.

For **JUNIORS in our CLASS OF 2027...** now that our juniors have taken the PSAT and received their scores, its a wonderful time to take a practice ACT to compare how they felt taking each exam and compare how they scored.

The test results are invaluable in helping students and their families understand which test might suit the student best and as well assist in determining whether or not to pursue any standardized testing at all!

Many families will attempt both tests in order to be thorough in their planning.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP &
OUTSIDE OPPORTUNITIES**

STUDENT SPEAKERS CONTEST is
sponsored by the PV Lions Club.

Contestants have the possibility of winning a total of \$21,000! The topic for this year's speech contest is "Youth Mental Health: Overcoming Barriers to Well-Being". It is open to high school students, grades 9-12 and involves several rounds. If interested in participating, there will be an informational meeting at lunchtime on Monday, November 17, in the College and Career Center, Room 318. Perry Lynn of the Lions Club will be here to discuss the contest in more detail and answer any questions that you may have.

LOS SERENOS DE POINT VICENTE JUNIOR DOCENTS PROGRAM is open to local high school students. The program is designed to complement the existing educational and support activities including museum tours, hikes support, whale wagon duty and special event participation. If you are interested in becoming a Junior Docent, learn more about the program and how to apply [HERE](#). Applications are accepted until December 31.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES and DEADLINES: To view current local scholarships available for our SENIORS, please click [HERE](#). Then select the Link for SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES & DEADLINES. Seniors may also view/apply to these local scholarships on Maia Learning. Once logged in, select Financial Plan on the left margin. Then click on Local Scholarships on the top of the page to see the local scholarships currently available and to apply.



The **Princeton Prize in Race Relations** identifies and recognizes high school students who, through action and service, have demonstrated leadership in advancing racial equity or promoting racial understanding in their schools and communities.



Prize winners will receive \$2,500 and an invitation to participate in the Princeton Prize Symposium on Race.

Applications Due January 15



We would like to remind our school communities and families/guardians to assess common signs and symptoms of seasonal illnesses such as COVID-19 and Hand Foot Mouth Disease (HFMD). Respiratory Illnesses, Flu, COVID-19 transmission, and HFMD

peak in the summer and fall but can be seen at any time of the year. For the well-being of all our school community, please keep your student at home if your student is too sick to come to school. Please review Guidance for Symptoms and When to Stay Home on the district website.



Guidance for Schools: Common Signs & Symptoms



This document is intended to support decision-making for schools and childcare centers when an individual child is displaying signs and symptoms of illness.

Below are suggestions for when to keep your child home when they are not feeling well. Contact a health care provider if your child needs medical care. A doctor's note is generally not required to return to school or child care. For more information, please visit [the CDPH guidance page](#).

This document:

- **does not** replace the advice of a licensed healthcare provider, nor does it revise guidance related to an individual child's known medical condition or existing IEP, Section 504 plan, or IFSP plan.
- **is not** a diagnostic tool. Related symptoms may inform exclusion decisions, but school staff should not attempt to diagnose.
- **does not** replace or revise applicable laws or other requirements.
- **does not** address specific disease outbreaks, when recommendations and public health requirements for exclusion may be more strict.
- **is limited to** consideration of symptoms as evidence of infection, and does not include considerations for other causes of symptoms such as allergies, toxin exposure, and child abuse or neglect.
- **should be used** within the context of an individual student's health and behavior history.

Symptom	When should my child stay home and when can they return?
Overall, not feeling well	STAY HOME IF any new illness or symptom prevents a child from participating meaningfully in routine activities. Please note that a child with multiple symptoms is more likely to be contagious. Recommendations for all applicable symptoms should be considered.
Fever	STAY HOME IF a fever is 100.4°F (38°C) or higher. RETURN WHEN fever went away over the night and is gone in the morning without the use of medications such as Tylenol®, Advil®, or Motrin® (acetaminophen or ibuprofen). If fever is accompanied by additional symptoms, follow all symptom-specific guidelines.
Respiratory Virus Symptoms (cough, stuffy / runny nose, sneeze)	OK TO ATTEND WITH MILD SYMPTOMS. Children should test for COVID-19 before attending school, wear a mask for 10 days from symptom onset, and follow COVID-19 guidance. STAY HOME IF symptoms are accompanied by fever or if child has significant nasal discharge (ie. interfering with their ability to participate in school and/or can't be contained without contaminating other children or staff). SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION for severe symptoms, including a bad cough, difficulty breathing or trouble catching their breath, or wheezing when not controlled by medication (like albuterol). RETURN WHEN child has been been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication and other symptoms are improving.

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It's More Than Free Meals!

All PVPUSD students can enjoy free breakfast and lunch daily through California's Universal Meals Program, but completing a Free and Reduced Meal Application still matters! Submitting the form may help families qualify for additional benefits such as reduced exam fees, discounted internet services, and college application savings while also providing essential funding that supports our schools.



PALOS VERDES PENINSULA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

IT'S MORE THAN FREE MEALS

FREE & REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION

All PVPUSD schools will offer FREE daily breakfast and lunch this year through the California Universal Meals Program!

DID YOU KNOW?

Even though meals are free for all students, families are **strongly encouraged** to complete a Free and Reduced Meal application. Submitting an application may help your family qualify for additional benefits and provides important funding for schools.

COMPLETE THE APPLICATION TODAY!

To learn more and apply, scan the QR code or visit pvpusdschoolnutrition.net.



ELIGIBILITY FOR THE FREE AND REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM CAN PROVIDE...

 College application fee discounts

 Affordable internet and wireless services

 Additional funding for your child's school

 Access to EBT benefits

 Discounts on SAT, ACT, and AP exam fees

 Subsidized before and after school care for TK-6



PVHS PTSA MEETINGS

Meeting Topics & Activities
2025-26

All Meetings to occur at 9 am in the PVHS MPR

September 30, 2025

Celebrating our District & PVHS!

Guest Speaker:

Dr. Devin Serrano, PVPUSD Superintendent
District & PVHS Academic Highlights
Athletic Program Overview
Student Involvement on Campus
Student Clubs, MUN, Mock Trial, PVIT,
Capitol Convoy, Debate Team and more!

February 24, 2026

Leadership & Activities @ PVHS

ASB
Red Tide
Be the Change
Live from 205
PV Board Member Student Council

October 28, 2025

Academic Counseling Updates @ PVHS **Student Balance & Mental Wellness**

Guest Speaker:

Linda Meier Abdelsayed, LMFT
SAGE Counseling Services

March 24, 2026

College Readiness @ PVHS

PVHS Musical Drama Performance
College & Career Center Updates
Student Scholarship Information
College Readiness Next Steps

November 18, 2025

Drug Awareness & Safety @ PVHS

Guest Speakers:

Michael Keuler, Drug Enforcement Agency
PVE Police Department
PVHS Security Staff

April 28, 2026

Engineering & Research @ PVHS

PVIT & Robotics Teams
Science Pathways & Course Offerings
Science Research
AP Research & Capstone
PVHS Library Services & Research

January 27, 2026

Academic Counseling @ PVHS

Student Course Scheduling
Student Academic Pathways
AP vs. Honors vs. Dual Enrollment
Dual Enrollment Opportunities:
SCROC & Harbor Community College

Can't Make It?

Participate Virtually

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88620741188?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88620741188?pwd=SBjnWmA6A2OdTmMpqq6iFbCHNBDTmO.1)
[pwd=SBjnWmA6A2OdTmMpqq6iFbCHNBDTmO.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88620741188?pwd=SBjnWmA6A2OdTmMpqq6iFbCHNBDTmO.1)

*All are Welcome to
Participate & Learn!*

ARE YOU READY FOR IT?



*We Are Sea King
Family!*
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PVHS Spirit Wear Purchase

Link: [www.memberplanet.com/s/pvhigh/25-26spirit wear](http://www.memberplanet.com/s/pvhigh/25-26spirit%20wear)

**GOT SPIRIT?
WE WANT TO SEE IT!**

KNIT V-NECK:



NEW: ¼ ZIP LIGHTWEIGHT KNIT



Purchase Here



Get them while they're hot!

Wear your specialty, one-of-a-kind Newport Knits sweater to ALL of PVHS sporting events this year! Limited sizes and inventory available! Sweaters available in:

- Black V-Neck
- Black Crew Neck
- Black ¼ Zip Lightweight Knit
- White V-Neck

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PVHS SPIRIT WEAR

2025-2026



**PURCHASE
HERE**



PVHS SPIRIT WEAR

2025-2026

Baby it's cold outside...



BLANKET

We have Blankets!



**PURCHASE
HERE**



PVHS PTSA NOVEMBER MEETING

Meeting Topic:
Drug Awareness & Safety @ PVHS

Guest Speakers:



Michael Keuler, Special Agent
Los Angeles Drug Enforcement Agency



Captain Gomez
PVE Police Department



Officer Bob Watt
PVHS Resource Officer

Tuesday, November 18 - 9 am

PVHS MPR

See you there!



PVHS PTSA

Winter Wreath Workshop

November 18, 2025

Entrance to MPR

Approx. 10:30 am

****Following PVHS PTSA Meeting****

\$40.00 Per Person

Includes materials, sweet/savory bites, and beverages.



Sign Up Here



WREATH MAKING SIGN UP

FEEDBACK *Requested*



Partnership

Palos Verdes High School PTSA knows that a strong partnership among our families, school leaders and community members is important to the success of our students and school.

That's why we are participating in the National PTA School of Excellence program.

Participation

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Your feedback will help us improve our family-school partnership and continue to achieve excellence.

Please take 5-10 minutes to reflect on your experience at PVHS and complete this anonymous survey.



**Complete the survey
by Nov. 21**

National PTA School of Excellence Survey:

The **Palos Verdes High School PTSA** knows that a strong partnership among our families, school leaders and community members is important to the success of our students and school. That's why we are participating in the National PTA School of Excellence program, which grows partnerships between PTAs and schools to enrich the educational experience and overall well-being of all students.

We need your help! As part of the process outlined by National PTA, we are requesting feedback using the National School of Excellence program survey. Using the community feedback, we will build an Excellence Action Plan to strengthen family-school partnerships.

Please take 5-10 minutes to reflect on your experience at this school and complete this survey. Please complete this survey by **November 21, 2025**.

SURVEY LINK: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfFkJUzJoaw-ifYK7CIXGZVhM3WeummF7mOaR1iDvDxhh-Ing/viewform?pli=1>

CONGRATULATIONS!
PVHS Reflections Winners 2025-26

Photography	Visual Arts	Literature	Music Composition
AWARD OF EXCELLENCE "Reflections of Us" by Colleen Elliott	AWARD OF EXCELLENCE "Friendship" by Alice Emelianova	AWARD OF EXCELLENCE "Amongst the Flames and Stars" by Evalyn Yu	AWARD OF EXCELLENCE "Rhapsody in Rhythm" by Gregory Shechter
AWARD OF MERIT "Iguana Belong" By Micah Presser	AWARD OF MERIT "Dance on a Saturday" by Grace Goepner	AWARD OF MERIT "I Belong to Reading" by Ishir Gaur	
HONORABLE MENTION "Coast Walk" By Jack Deane	HONORABLE MENTION "Endless sunset" by Avery Andersen	HONORABLE MENTION "A Spirit Indomitable" by Alegria Ajar & "Together But Alone: The Problem with Belonging" by Allison Lee	

"Award of Excellence" winners will be moving forward to the district competition and will be displayed at the Malaga Cover Library for the PVP Council of PTAs Reflections Art Reception on 12/09/25 from 4pm-6pm. District winners will be announced at 5pm.



Click [HERE](#) to join the Booster Club.





PENINSULA
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**Elevating Education
Together**

PVPEF.ORG



**YOUR SUPPORT MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR OUR
CHILDREN TO RECEIVE AN EXCELLENT EDUCATION!**

California ranks among the lowest in the nation in public school funding. With the passage of Prop. 13 in 1978, the funding methods for education in California were turned upside down. Now, after all this time, our public schools remain underfunded.

Your donation to PEF funds critical programs, staff and teachers that strengthen the academic journey of all PV High students:

COUNSELORS
STEM PROGRAMS
TEACHER GRANTS
COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER STAFF
HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR
AND MORE!

**Our goal is 100% family participation.
Please donate at whatever level is possible for you.
Every donation makes a difference!**



ACEING AUTISM PALOS VERDES

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

How You Make A Difference

- Provide one on one support to athletes
- Encourage & engage athletes' social skills
- Build a safe, reliable environment for athletes
- Teach tennis skills
- Training is provided!
No tennis experience required.**

We offer weekly tennis clinics for **children & teens with autism**. Volunteers are paired up with a participant, hopefully for the duration of the session and beyond!



Step 1: Click or scan to register and join our Palos Verdes, CA Group



Step 2: Click or scan to sign up & share the dates you will attend as a volunteer

ACEing Autism is not related to, sponsored by, or endorsed by the Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District.



Location: Palos Verdes Tennis Club
Fall Session: Sundays 3:00-4:00 pm
September 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2
Contact: palosverdes@aceingautism.org





Yet-I Am Inc.

SING & SPRINKLE



A Karaoke & Cookie-Baking Celebration

Sing & Sprinkle is a joyful, inclusive event designed for neurodiverse young adults and kids to express creativity, connect with others, and have fun in a supportive environment. The event combines two engaging activities—cookie baking and karaoke—to encourage both sensory exploration and self-expression through music.

Date- Saturday, Nov. 22

Time- 11am to 2pm

**Venue- Activity Room Hesse Park
29301 Hawthorne Blvd.
Rancho Palos Verdes,
CA-90275**



TICKETS- \$12/ ATTENDEE
EACH TICKET INCLUDES LIGHT LUNCH
KIDS UNDER 5-FREE

REGISTER BELOW.



TICKETS ARE LIMITED.

REGISTER BY NOV.14TH.

- JOIN US & HAVE SERENE EXPERIENCE IN A BEAUTIFUL OCEANVIEW LOCATION.
- ALL LEVELS OF MUSIC ARE WELCOME

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