# **SOHS News**



# Attendance @ SOHS

Since the start of the school year many students have been habitually late arriving in the morning. In addition, some students have repeated absences and/or left school early. This is academically problematic for college prep students. As stated on pages 45 and 46 in the SOHS "Family Handbook...

"...each college prep subject requires four (4) hours of in class coursework each week....Each class is sixteen (16) weeks long, each week accumulating four (4) hours, adding up to sixty-four (64) hours of class time per semester. Students who have a combination of "tardies" and absences from class, that total more than thirteen (13) hours (20% of class time), will receive an incomplete in that class for that semester and will need to make up the missed work in order to earn credit and graduate... Students who need to leave before the end of the school day (4:00pm) should be aware that they will receive an "absence" for the classes missed.......multiple tardies (and absences) may result in loss of academic credits."

As Silver Oak High School is a college preparatory school, we take "tardies" and absences very seriously and record them meticulously. Attendance is absolutely bound to academics here. As we approach the end of the first quarter (10/27/16) please insure that your student's attendance supports, not compromises, his/her grades. Should you have any questions about attendance please contact Ms. Ramirez in the office.

### October Events @ SOHS

- October 6<sup>th</sup>.....Picture Day
- October 13<sup>th</sup>......College Night @ 6:00pm in room #2
- October 19th.....PSAT testing... for juniors only
- October 27th......Coffee with the Head @ 8:45am and 3:00pm, school gym
- October 27<sup>th</sup>......Halloween Dance from 7:00-10:00pm, in school gym
- October 28<sup>th</sup>......Professional Day......NO SCHOOL
- October 31st......Professional Day......NO SCHOOL

### College Night @ Silver Oak!

- Our first "College Night" of the 2016-2017 school year is scheduled for Thursday, October 13th @ 6:00pm.
- It will be held in the gym.
- Ms. Ledesma (our Academic Dean and College Counselor) will present application information pertaining to both California and out-of-state schools. Financial Aid information will also be provided.
- Though all are invited, this meeting it will be structured primarily for junior and senior families.
- There will be an additional meeting scheduled in February structured specifically for freshman and sophomore families.

# The End of the First Marking Period!



- Thursday, October 27th marks the end of the first quarter here at Silver Oak High School.
- Final quarter grades will be accessible on PowerSchool on Friday, November 4th.
- After school tutoring will be required of all students who earn less than a C- in any core subject.
- Quarter grades may indicate the need for improvement to insure that semester grades (which appear on the permanent student transcript) are at a mastery level...C- or higher.

#### School Picture Day!



On <u>Thursday</u>, <u>October</u> <u>6<sup>th</sup></u>, **Grins2Go** will take our students' photos. These photos will appear in the 2017 Yearbook.

If you wish to order photos and/or a student ID please use the **order form** that was previously distributed.

Should you need an order form, please phone the office.

#### Sports Schedule



October Volleyball Games: 10/3, 10/5, 10/7, 10/13, 10/17,

10/20, 10/25

October Soccer Games:

10/14, 10/17, 10/24, 10/28, 10/31, 11/2,

(please check w/Ms. Almanza for game locations)

#### **Lunch Service**



HUSD, which provided our lunch service last year, has discontinued our service for this year. We are still in the process of finding a new company to work with us. Hence, until we have contracted with a new vendor, please continue to send your student to school with lunch. The Student Store is open at lunch for snacks as well.

#### Coffee with the Head of School

When: Thursday, 10/27/16 @ 8:45am or 3:00pm

Where: the school gym

Topic: "What Is a 'Montessori' High School?"

