

## Warrior News

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## A Word from our Principal.....

#### Dear Famílies,

We recently completed the first 4.5 weeks of Semester II, holding firm to our commitments made to students and families prior to the commencement of the school year. Parents and guardians, please make sure to check your child's grades for Second Quarter Progress and let us know if you have any questions or concerns. Also, please monitor your child's attendance daily to allow maximum exposure to your child's teacher and to also ensure there are no discrepancíes.

We are hotly gearing up for the ACT test which is 30% of Pueblo's letter grade and we feel our plan is going to produce positive results.

Please read through our newsletter and scan our website for events to either confirm dates or look for events/activities that may be of peak interest. This Febru*ary we look to continue this* momentum with *parent/teacher conferences* and a calendar full of activities to help our students learn, grow, and develop. At Pueblo, our extracurrícular activities provide wonderful opportunities for some of this development, so please encourage your child to get or stay involved.

As you may notice, a new sign greets you as you drive

onto campus. The sign at the front is titled <u>A+ School</u> of Excellence-Striving to Be. It is our goal to achieve *excellence in all we do, from* grounds enhancements, to facility improvement, academic success, family engagement, and arts. If we all do our part as parents, professionals and students, becoming an <u>A + School of</u> **Excellence** is within immediate reach. As always, thank you for your commítment to excellence; we look forward to continuing to work together as a team to provide your child with an educational experience that prepares them for life beyond high school.

## Highlight of the Month ... Mr. Warrior pageant

The 8th Annual Mr. Pueblo Warrior Pageant took place on Friday, February 8th. The house was packed and a record amount of money raised that will go towards a Pueblo scholarship from the Pueblo Counseling Department, prom expenses and the lvy League

East Coast College Road Trip. Congratulations to Gabriel Gonzales, who was crowned Mr. Warrior 2019. Thanks to our fabulous judges, Samuel Alegria, Melissa Egan, Ed Gomez, Adelita Grijalva, Elizabeth Rivera-Russell, Frank Rosthenhausler, Edgar Toledo, and Dr. Gabriel Trujillo, our amazing masters of ceremonies, Johny Vargas, Chip Phillips, Azalea Gutierrez and Selena Tena, and all who came to support our students.



#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- February 21-22: Rodeo Break
- February 25: Third Quarter Benchmark tests begin
- February 27: Parent Cafecitos, 8-9 a.m. and Online Registration Help, 9-10 a.m.
- March 18-22: Spring
  Break
- March 27: Parent Cafecitos, 8-9 a.m. and Online Registration Help, 9-10 a.m.
- April 2: ACT Test
  for Juniors
- April 12: Fiiesta de los Guerreros,
   5-11 p.m and Online Registration Help, 5-8 p.m.
- April 24: Parent Cafecitos, 8-9 a.m. and Online Registration Help 9-10 a.m.



# What's up with our APs?

## Mr. Montaño...

Your student has selected their 2019/2020 classes. You are able to view their next year's schedule through StudentVue. If you have, a CTE class this year, remember these classes are program based and your student must continue the classes through the advanced levels.

Online registration has begun. Please complete it by June 1<sup>st</sup> to guarantee your student's schedule and transportation (Transpiration for student living outside the Pueblo area cannot be guaranteed). Next year's (2019-2020) sophomores, juniors, and seniors; on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm we will be holding a parent meeting to inform you about **Pueblo's College Preparatory Academy**. If your student is interested in **Pueblo's College Preparatory Academy** please contact Mr. Mario Matanza at 225-4343 or (<u>mario.matanza@tusd1.org</u>)for more information.

We have less then twelve weeks to graduation. We will not approve any more schedule changes for this school year unless it is for a senior who needs to meet graduation requirements. Please attend class every day, study, meet with your teachers, and attend our tutoring classes at 7 am and 3:30 pm in the Library.

A number of scholarship deadlines are approaching. Leslie Martinez, our AmeriCorps member, is making herself available to assist students with applying for scholarships personal statement, FAFSA, etc. (See announcements from Mrs. Fennema for dates and times).

## Mrs. Gunnels...

We are currently in the midst of finalizing course selection for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. Student course selections drive our master schedule and determine the number of teachers we are able to hire and the types of courses we offer for next year. Once those decisions have been made it is very difficult to make changes. Therefore most schedule change requests that happen at the beginning of the school year are denied.

ACT is our new state assessment. It is also a national admissions test that colleges and universities use to determine acceptance, placement, and scholarship eligibility. The better that our students do on ACT translates directly into increased academic and financial opportunities. We will be testing all of our juniors on Tuesday, April 2, 2019.

## Mr. Lopez...

I can't believe the spring sports are here and in full swing! Practices are happening for baseball, softball, boys' volleyball, girls' and boys' tennis and boys' and girls' track!

Winter sport coaches and student/athletes are working hard to get ready for some post-season hardware! Girls' basketball just ended with an impressive run in the state playoffs. The team made it to round of 8 before losing to a good Sahuaro team. Our girls battled back at times to get close but we just came up short. Great job Lady Warriors! The wrestling team qualified eight boys and two girls for the state tournament. We finished in 7<sup>th</sup> place out of 51 teams with one individual state champion and two 3<sup>rd</sup> places and 6<sup>th</sup> place. Job well done.

We are asking for all students to make sure they have a parking permit to park on campus. If any student is going to their car at lunch or during the day to hang out, or leaving campus without permission, they will have their parking permits revoked for 2 weeks. If it happens again, we will revoke the parking permit until the end of the school year. Students who lose their parking permit must buy another one. There are no exceptions to these guidelines. Parking on campus is a privilege, not a right.

### **Pueblo High School**

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#### **OUR VISION**

Pueblo High School is committed to creating an excelling, diverse community of learners with a culture of high expectations in a safe, supportive environment.

#### **OUR MISSION**

To prepare all students for college, work, and life through rigorous and relevant curriculum combined with positive interpersonal relationships.



## Mrs. Fennema wants you to know...

Online Registration for the 2019-20 school year is now open! All families must complete registration online through ParentVue by June I in order to have a schedule for their student in time for the start of the school year in August. If you have not already done so, activate your ParentVue account to register for school for the 2019-20 school year, have access to your child's grades, attendance, teacher email addresses, and much more. Contact Mrs. Fennema at 225-4503 if you need an activation code to set up your account or if need to have your password



reset for an existing account. Online registration can be completed at school from 9-10 a.m. on February 27, March 27, April 24 and 5-8 p.m. on April 12.

- Mexican American Student Services is offering weekly parent workshops on various topics every Tuesday, 9—11 a.m. in the Special Projects Room. For information and questions, contact Alejandro Menchaca at 225-4341.
- Attention parents of Seniors: Leslie Martinez, our AmeriCorps member, is making herself available to assist students with applying for scholarships on Mon, Wed, & Fri from 11:30AM 4:30PM in the CCC (Rm. 259). If you have a student that needs to work on a scholarship application, personal statement, FAFSA, etc. please send them to Leslie during these times/days. If you would like to reach out to her directly about a student or scholarship, please email her at <a href="mailto:lmartinez@arizonaserve.org">lmartinez@arizonaserve.org</a>.
- Raul Velasquez, Marcus Durazo, and Alexandria Leyva played with the band/orchestra in the South Central Regional Music Festival on Saturday, February 16 at Sahuarita High School. This was the first time in many years Pueblo students qualified to play at Regional and we are so proud of them. Congratulations!