



ANDRADA POLYTECHNIC HS

"Home of the Mavericks"

Celebrate Black History Month in February. Take a look at some of our upcoming events.

Andrada Polytechnic High School
Front Office: 8:00am - 4:00pm
520-879-3300

APHS February News & Updates

Principal's Message

Hello Andrada Families,

You may have heard about our student who is fighting Leukemia. The last few months have been incredibly tough for Alex and his family, but last week was the toughest. His mom passed away suddenly leaving dad with Alex, and his two younger brothers. The very best thing about working in Vail, and living in Vail, is watching how we gather around and take care of our community members when they need us the most. This family needs us right now!



I will be meeting with a group of students and staff this week to put together a gift card drive so our entire community can help out. I also want to give you the opportunity to help if you can. We will be collecting gift cards to local grocery stores, fast food restaurants, Door Dash (delivers food from local restaurants to the hospital), etc. Money can also be donated by check written out to Andrada High School. Asking for help is never easy... but when you are able to help, it feels amazing!

After spending time with this amazingly strong family, as well as a few of our students who have been sick lately, I made a special trip to see my daughter this weekend. I hugged her extra hard. Thank you for being a part of our Andrada Family... and our Vail family.

Julia Kaiser, Principal

Parent Teacher Conferences

Wednesday (2/7), 4:00-6:00 p.m. and Thursday (2/8), 1:00-7:00 p.m.

Click the link below, choose the teachers you'd like to meet with, and schedule appointments.

https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Andrada_High_School_1



Upcoming Events

- Feb. 6th APHS Day of Silence
- Feb. 7-8th Parent

Vail Pride Day

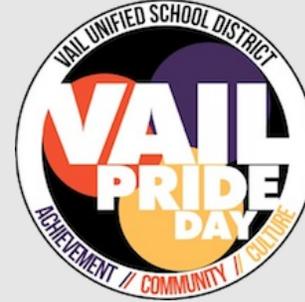
Vail Pride Day is coming soon!

This year the theme is "Weaving Our Legacy."

Events

- Teacher Conferences
- **Feb. 10th** ACT Test
- **Feb. 14th** APHS Blood Drive
- **Feb. 16th** Half Day
- **Feb. 17th** Vail Pride Day
- **Feb. 22nd-23rd** Rodeo Days
- **Feb. 26-Mar. 2nd** Benchmark Testing
- **Feb. 28th** High School Choice Closes

- Academic Jeopardy Awards Ceremony
- School Displays
- K-8 Music Concerts Math Bowl
- Art Galleries Jumping Castles
- STEM Showcase Area
- Kid Zone Finale Parade



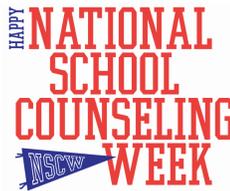
Pima County Fairgrounds 11300 S. Houghton Rd
 Free Admission Saturday
 February 17th 9am to 4pm
 Vail School District: Where Education is a Community Effort
 VAIL PRIDE DAY 2018 "Weaving Our Legacy"
[More info here.](#)

Counselor's Corner

The Andrada Counseling Department is comprised of two academic advisors, a college and career advisor and an administrative assistant. We work with the entire school and wear a lot of different hats. We are able to connect students with the right resources or tools to be successful in their high school career and beyond that. Some of the services offered are:

- Social and Emotional Support
- Academic Advising and 4-Year Course Planning
- College and Career Exploration
- Compiling Interest Inventories
- Graduation Progress and Credit Checks
- Access to Summer Programs
- Referrals to Outside Resources
- College Campus Visits
- Connecting Students with Admission Representatives and Military Recruiters
- College Entrance Requirements Information
- Testing Information and Interpretation

February 5 - 9 is National School Counseling Week! The theme for the 2018 National School Counseling Week is "School Counselors: Helping Students Reach for the Stars." See your counselor today!



HAVE YOU
 COMPLETED
 THE FAFSA?

Don't wait!

Upcoming Events:

- **Feb. 7th** Grade Checks
- **Feb. 8th** U of A Rep here
- **Feb. 12th** Freshmen Pre-Registration
- **Feb. 13th** Sophomores Pre-registration
- **Feb. 14th** Juniors Pre-Registration
- **Feb. 15th** Pima Rep Here



Start College Your Senior Year!
 Spend the last year of high school as a full time student at Pima Community College. [More Info.](#)

Celebrate Black History Month!

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

-Martin Luther King Jr.



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Day of Silence and Awareness Tuesday, February 6th

What this means is that all A.S.L. students (and some former A.S.L. students who choose to participate) will not be allowed to speak from the time they enter our school to the time they leave school. They will either be wearing earplugs, earmuffs or noise-cancelling headphones to simulate mild hearing loss. They cannot listen to music, so they should only have headphones on if they are not attached to any sound source. They can write notes, write on slates, read lips, use their phones or computers to text (if it's okay with their teachers) or gesture and point in order to communicate.

The goal of this day is not for them to experience being Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing. The goal is for them to experience trying to function without using the language of the majority. They need to see what it's like to try to communicate non-verbally. They also need to see the benefit of using sign language with others who know it. Students will be wearing name tags that identify them as participants of the day. Teachers will make content available in writing or in visual form so that the students don't suffer academically.

SEP Portfolios Due: March 2nd
SEP Presentations: April 25th

**SENIOR EXIT PROJECT JUDGES
NEEDED!!**

Senior Exit Project Presentations are an opportunity for Andrada seniors to professionally demonstrate their hard work and commitment to their internship this year through a formal presentation.

- **We need YOU!** We need your help as a community member to help watch and judge our SEP presentations.
- **What do you need to do?** As a judge, you will be scoring senior presentations and observing the wonderful journey students experienced

Presentation Night

WHEN: Wednesday April 25, 2018 **WHAT**

TIME: 4:00-8:00

Be sure to RSVP to Brenda Holman at holmanb@vailschooldistrict.org by April 15th

Seniors, Have you ordered your cap and gown yet?? You can order [online](#) or by phone. Don't delay!

Senior Pictures Information

Senior Pictures are due by February 14th. If your student does not have a picture in by the 14th the Photography Class will take their picture for the yearbook. Please contact me, Deb Allen at allend@vailschooldistrict.org if you have any questions.



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School Choice for 8th Graders

High School Choice Process

Families can submit their school choice rankings beginning February 1st on <https://vailhighschoolchoice.org/> School ranking submissions can be submitted through February 28th, and are not first come first served. In the event a lottery is needed, it will be held March 8th.

Families will be notified of final school placements by March 9th. In the meantime, please verify your PowerSchool login information and email address is current. Contact the school office if assistance is needed with PowerSchool. For further questions please email schoolchoice@vailschooldistrict.org

Andrada Wellness Corner

February Focus is Flu Awareness

Take extra precaution as the flu season is still having an impact on our students, parents, and staff. Recognize the difference between a cold which involves a gradual onset and includes symptoms involving the nose and throat (CNN News), and the flu which involves a sudden onset and includes fever, body aches, and severe sore throat (CNN News).



Protect yourself and others by practicing regular/proper hand washing, cleaning office and household surfaces regularly especially when someone is sick, staying away from others who are sick and running fever, and covering your cough or sneeze (fun watch/myth busters safe sneeze-<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3vw0hls2LEg&t=2s>). If you feel like you have the flu it is recommended that you see a doctor as soon as possible especially if symptoms do not improve after a few days.

Check out the links below for more information!

Recognizing flu symptoms-<http://www.kvoa.com/story/37392230/how-to-spot-flu-symptoms>

Kids Healthy Hands Video-<https://www.purell.com/healthy-hands-101-lesson-1>

Proper Hand Washing Tips-<https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html>

-Mr. Arias, APHS Health Teacher

Call for Professional Clothing

We are accepting professional clothes donations for unfortunate Seniors who might not have access to professional clothes for SEP presentations on April 25. Male and female clothes as well as clothes hangers can be donated to the front office. Thanks for your donations!!

Vail Pride Day Art Show by APHS



Sports Shoutouts



Congratulations to Empire Boys Soccer

Boys Soccer had a great season and made it to the State Playoffs. Congrats to them on their season and hard work!



Congratulations to the Empire Boys Basketball Team

Boys Basketball had a big win over Catalina Magnet with the final score being 71-54. Congratulations on a great season. They finished #1 in their Region!! Good luck as they make their bid for the State Championship Tournament!



Congratulations to Empire Girls Basketball Team

Congratulations Lady Ravens on a great win over Sahuarita. Winning with great team play with a score of 89-20. Good luck as they set their sights on the State Championship Tournament.

Any More Questions?

Visit our Website

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