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## Staff & Students,

As principal of Valencia High School, I am proud to see our continued devotion to our motto of Pride - Tradition - Excellence as we apply it to all we do. Our school newspaper *El Tigre* has been a presence on our campus throughout our school's history and has evolved over those 80 years to remain relevant, meaningful, and a powerful resource of information to our staff and students. The *El Tigre* staff is taking our paper to the next level in producing a document that enhances opportunities to creatively present information and to use 21st century tools and skills. The "News/Mag" style will increase our ability to showcase and celebrate our school culture, activities and accomplishments. I am excited about this change and look forward to the editions to come.

Go Tigers!

Rick Lopez  
Principal

## From our Editor-in-Chief,

I'm very excited to announce that *El Tigre* is no longer a newspaper, but rather a full color magazine. On behalf of *El Tigre*, I would like to thank our school and administration for understanding our change is a reflection of our innovation. That pride, tradition, and excellence means we strive for improvement while still reflect-



ing on our past. We cannot thank everyone enough for their support. The *El Tigre* staff is looking forward to providing our school with a modern, one-of-a-kind magazine that informs as well as interests our student body.

-Maia Songalia

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# New Tiger Teachers!



**Ms. Lisa Parisi**  
 - 15 years of experience teaching culinary arts  
 - Graduated from Le Cordon Bleu  
 - Switched from interior design to Culinary Arts



**Mrs. Black-Knyazik**  
 - 7+ years of teaching experience  
 - Excited about teaching IB for the first time  
 - Graduated from UCLA and earned undergraduate and masters degrees



**Mr. Diego Sologuren**  
 - 8+ years of teaching experience  
 - Graduated from Fullerton College with a Business Management degree  
 - Excited to work with S.E.R.V.E. students



**Rebecca Bonet**  
 - Excited to teach Biology and AP Environmental Science for the first time  
 - Loves to connect with students



**Mrs. Williams**  
 - First year at VHS  
 - Coaches Girls Basketball at VHS  
 - Enjoys seeing so many students involved with extra-curricular activities



**Coach Lee**  
 - Teaches beginning dance  
 - 5 years teaching experience  
 - Earned bachelor's degree at San Diego State



**Ms. Olive**  
 - 7 years teaching experience  
 - Received masters in Teaching from CSUF  
 - Recieved Arts Degree from Concordia



**Joshua Lay**  
 - 4 years of teaching experience  
 - Teaches Language Arts I and II and Study Skills  
 - Impressed by the wide variety of technology available

# Fun Facts about VHS Counselors



E-J & IB

**Stanley**

- Mr. Stanley makes his own surfboards and occasionally takes them out to surf.
- He is a U.S. Coast Guard licensed boat captain.



R-Z & AVID

**Nasouf**

- She is addicted to Twilight and states that she is “#TeamEdward all the way!”
- She married her husband twice in the same week.



A-D & ELD

**Douglas**

- She loves horses and knows how to ride horseback.
- Received a full ride scholarship to UC Riverside.
- First in the entire family to graduate high school and college.



## Valencia High School's First Graduating Class of 1936

- Taylor Swift's hit single, Shake It Off, is her ringtone.
- Has played in an adult dodgeball team.

- He grew up on a farm and learned how to ride horseback.
- Sentimental movies make him cry.

- She was in a Broadway musical during elementary school.
- In high school, she worked at Starbucks and she's been addicted to coffee since.

**Bahner**



K-Q & ValTech

**Ortega**



VHS HOPE & Intervention Specialist

**Yaung**



Assistant Principal of Pupil Services

# ASB President Interview



**There are 53 Students participating in the ASB this year**

**Q: WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AS ASB PRESIDENT?**

**There are 1,029 ASB Sticker Holders**

**A:** Number one role is being a role model. Number two is organization. You have to organize everyone into committees and make sure everyone has a role to do. You have to give everyone a role in ASB. One of the hardest things to do was the first assembly as the ASB President. We had only one week to prepare, and it was very demanding. There are expectations from the former ASB President, and you have to meet those. Eventually it starts running more smoothly since you'll be more prepared.

A: Well first, the people. That's number one. In the beginning, I wasn't as comfortable. When years go by, it gets easier because you just develop longer lasting relationship. They're like a family.

**This is the first year for online voting for ASB matters**

Q: HOW HAS ASB AFFECTED YOU?

Q: WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT BEING IN ASB?

A: It's made me more positive since you're with a whole new group of people who have different interests. There's always deadlines and you have to improvise when those deadlines are not met.

*“Positivity is a choice, ASB is all about being positive”*

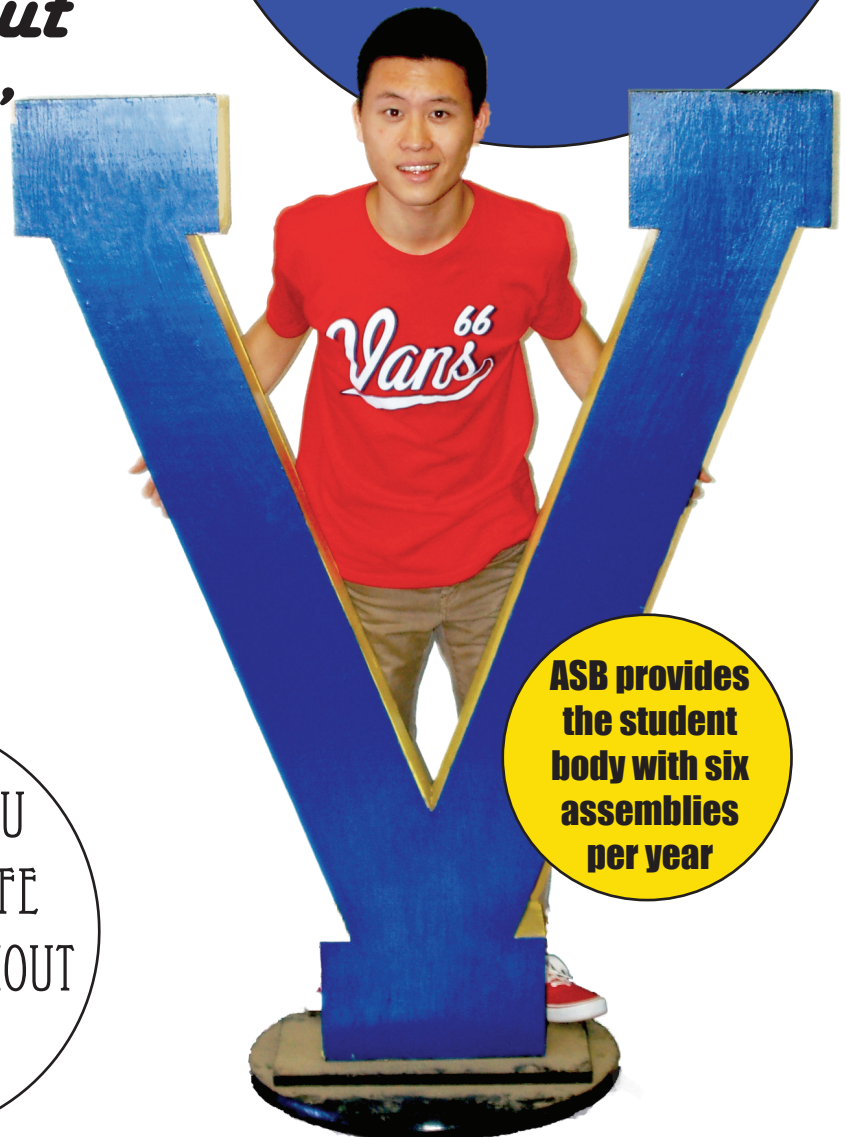
**ASB logs 110 community service hours per year**

A: A lot more boring. A lot less busy. I would have less purpose in high school. It gives me a goal and something to look forward to. I like the productive environment

**ASB sets up all football and basketball games**

Q: HOW DO YOU THINK YOUR LIFE WOULD BE WITHOUT ASB?

**ASB provides the student body with six assemblies per year**



\*Contact Mr. Louie if you'd like to join ASB!

# CULINARY CUBS



## Broccoli Cheddar Soup

### Ingredients:

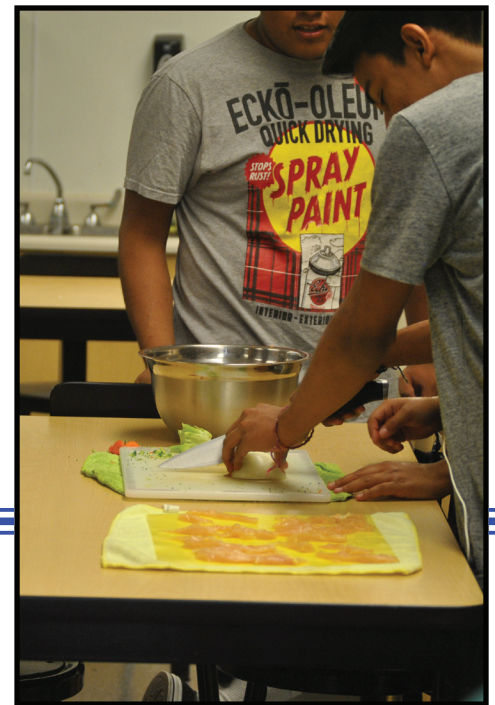
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 medium onion, roughly chopped
- 1 head cauliflower, roughly chopped
- 2 cups 1% milk
- 2 pounds broccoli stalks removed and florets chopped into bite-sized pieces
- 1 medium carrot, grated
- 1 1/2 cups chicken stock
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 1/2 teaspoons paprika
- 3 cups extra sharp cheddar cheese, grated
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

### Directions

- 1) Heat up ½ tablespoon of olive oil into a large saucepan over medium/high heat.
- 2) Add in the chopped onion until it has softened. This will take about 3-5 minutes.
- 3) Add in the cauliflower and wait about 7 minutes until it softens. Add in the 2 cups of milk and season with salt & pepper to your taste.
- 4) Use an immersion blender to puree the mixture or can put the mixture into a blender or food processor and puree it in there.
- 5) In a large pot, heat about 1 ½ tablespoons over medium heat. Add in the broccoli, shredded carrots, and a pinch of salt & pepper. Cook for 5-7 minutes or until all the vegetables have softened.
- 6) Then, add in the chicken stock and bring to a boil. Turn the heat lower so that the mixture stays at a slight simmer. You can now add the Dijon mustard, honey, and paprika. Turn the heat off.
- 7) To finish off the soup, carefully stir in the puree from before and the shredded cheese.

\*\*Season with salt and pepper to taste.





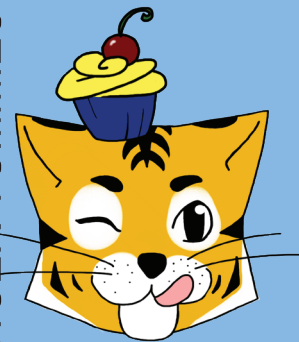
## Mrs. Parisi's Cooking Class

This year, Valencia High School has a new class to offer their students. Mrs. Parisi is a new teacher here and teaches the culinary class. The class revolves around the preparation of food and the students are even allowed to create their own masterpieces in the kitchen stations located in the back of the classroom. The students first get a demo of the certain dish that they are creating and then are sent to the kitchen stations to create the same dish. This method is similar to how some people watch cooking shows on TV to learn how to create various dishes. The students can gain valuable knowledge about preparing food which is a valuable skill that is necessary for students to learn because they will eventually have to provide for themselves.

### Chocolate Covered Tiger Pretzels



TIGER YUMMIES



Start off with melting the orange candy chips with  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup of shortening in a microwave safe bowl at 30 second intervals and stirring in-between. When this is finished pour it into a tall glass. This will make it easier to dip the pretzels into the chocolate. Dip the pretzels into the glass to coat  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the pretzel and then lay them onto wax paper to set. When they have finished setting, get a pastry bag and fill it with milk or dark chocolate. Now you can create stripes with the chocolate to recreate the stripes that a tiger has!

# A Great Pair

## Books & Preschool



By: Kevin Kim

Although the preschool and the library are two separate entities, they might as well be one whole family. To allow the preschool students to have the best experience at libraries, Mrs. Millam invites the preschoolers to the library and reads aloud to them once a month. When asked what she enjoys about the preschoolers, Mrs. Millam said, “The day the preschoolers come is always my favorite day of the month. They are so cute and funny- you never know what they are going to say.”

She wants the preschoolers to learn to love reading and allow them to have a good experience by going to a library. She also reads to them on a monthly basis because she knows that not all kids get the privilege of being read to at home, and she would like to let the kids enjoy this luxury. The preschoolers also come into the library during Halloween to trick or treat around the library, getting candy and stickers to enhance their relationships with libraries.

# HOUSE Program



- **What's the whole point of the HOUSE program?**  
The main purpose of this program is to help freshman not fall behind on their credits. It also motivates students to apply for either community or university colleges.
- **How does it help students?**  
Mr. Sheetz, Ms. Beck, & Mr. Rizzie These teachers team up and have one-on-one tutoring with the student since these classes are much smaller than regular classes. which makes it into a family-friendly environment. They closely monitor the students to make sure they do not fall behind
- **Who created this program?**  
Mr. Lopez created this program during the 2006-2007 school year.
- **How does this program work?**  
Classes are smaller so the students get a lot of attention from the teachers. This program is an opportunity for the students to get back on track and to achieve their goals.
- **When students join, do they improve?**  
Over 80% show improvement in attendance and behavior improves as well.
- **How does HOUSE help students?**  
HOUSE provides services that aim to help students improve including tutoring and student support groups.
- **How long has house been at Valencia?**  
HOUSE has been here for eight years; it also received an AT&T grant for 100,000 dollars to ensure its success.



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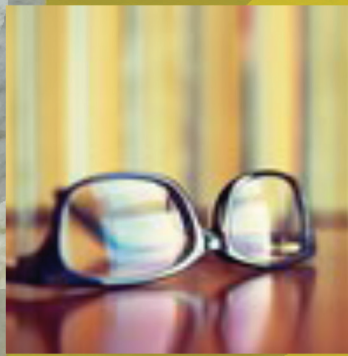
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# Tigers Prepare for OCAD

By: Scott Burn

OCAD, or Orange County Academic Decathlon, is an annual ten-event competition in which students from various schools are tested in math, economics, language and literature, science, music, art, social science, speech, interview, and essay. During the interview portion, decathletes are questioned in six core areas; character, major interests in school, extracurricular activities, plans for the future, individual and team preparation for the decathlon, and influences or values. The speech portion challenges decathletes to prepare a three and a half to four minute speech on a topic they have been allowed to research, followed immediately afterward by a one and a half to two minute impromptu speech in which the decathlete has

only one minute to prepare their topic selection. The essay portion of the decathlon tests its participants and their ability to write and apply focus, organization, development, style, and grammatical conventions in their works. The prior seven topics are littered with various tests of vocabulary, application, and incorporation that one must finely. Each nine person team consists of three "A" students, three "B" students, and three "C" students. Last year Valencia's OCAD team placed first in the local Orange County academic decathlon, and placed among the top twenty in all of California. This year's topic is "New Alternatives in Energy: Ingenuity and Innovation," and the teams have been preparing rigorously for this year's

competition. The current team consists of Joseph Yen (12), Madelyn Rychlik (12), Joyce Chew (11), Wilian Soong (11), Andrew Nguyen (11), Jacob Leiken (11), Sana Talwar (11), Jordan Ehrman (11), and Linda Feregrino (11). In the weeks leading up to the competition, the students study upwards of ten to fifteen hours in order to be confident in their competitive performance. On top of this off campus study, the decathletes must also be willing to dedicate two to three hours to the program on campus every day. If interested in joining, the team is actively seeking out participants that have lower than a 3.0 GPA. The next competitions are set for January 31st and February 7th. Valencia wishes the best of luck to it's OCAD team.

# Medically Speaking

By: Kaitlyn Eyles

Ms. Anita Janicke has been in the medical field since 2001 and is a certified medical assistant, surgical technologist and phlebotomist. Due to her many years as a medical professional, her qualifications exceed the curriculum and offer students the chance to become familiar with medicine. Due to her wish to educate students with similar medical aspirations, she teaches our school's Medical program. A significant advantage for working in such a field is that medical professionals will always be in demand. In order to teach efficiently, this program is divided into two courses-1st and 2nd years. In the overall 1st year course, 4 classes are offered. The main curriculum consists of learning about the heart

and body; abbreviations and medical terms for functions and parts of the human anatomy. Students also have the chance to learn how to administer CPR and later become certified to perform it. After the 1st year has been completed, approximately 20-25 students advance to their 2nd year. The year's schedule includes learning more about the body and acquiring the skills to administer injections and venipuncture. Once students complete both levels and have at least 120 hours of on-the-job training, they are able to take a certification exam; upon passing it, they will be given the title of certified medical assistant. In addition to the class, Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) club is prevalent on campus. HOSA's

mission, "is to enhance the delivery of compassionate, quality healthcare by providing opportunities for knowledge, skill and leadership development of all health science education students, therefore, helping the student meet the needs of the healthcare community."



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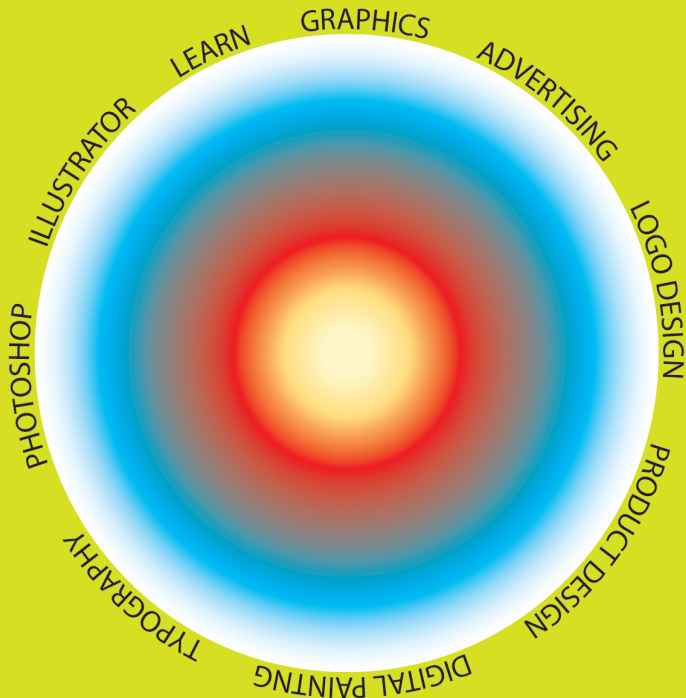
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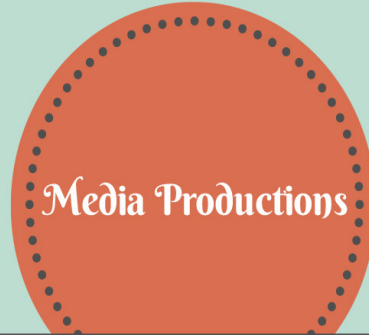
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<b>OCTOBER</b> 20 29	PD: UC Application Pathways	12 <sup>th</sup> 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center El Dorado HS	7:30am 5:30pm
<b>NOVEMBER</b> Tu/Th 24	College Application Workshops PD: CSU Application	12 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center Career Center	3:00pm 7:30am
<b>DECEMBER</b> 15 TBD	PD: Common Application Financial Aid Night	12 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center Cafeteria	7:30am 6:30pm
<b>JANUARY</b> 26	PD: Financial Aid	12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center	7:30am
<b>FEBRUARY</b> Tu/Th 23	FAFSA Workshops PD: FAFSA Workshop	12 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center Career Center	3:00pm 7:30am
<b>MARCH</b> Tu/Thu 23	Community College App. Workshops PD: Community College App.	12 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center Career Center	3:00pm 7:30am
<b>APRIL</b> 27 TBD	PD: Army Representative US Military Formal Academy Night	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center TBD	7:30am 7:00pm
<b>MAY</b> 11	PD: Marines Representative	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center	7:30am
<b>JUNE</b> 8	PD: Navy Representative	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Career Center	7:30am



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2. You want to be better at sight reading music.
3. Over the past five years, my AP students have a pass rate of 96.5% so it is very likely that you will be successful on the AP test if you work hard in class. Passing the AP test can give you fine arts college credits.
4. Learning chord progressions and phrase structures will help you be a better song writer or improviser.
5. You want to be a better musician overall!

### Prerequisites:

- Ability to read treble clef or bass clef
- Basic performance skills in voice or on an instrument

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# VHS' TECHY TIGERS

By: Scott Burn

Val Tech is undergoing a small recategorization. The previous four Val Tech pathways of arts and communication, business, computer science, and science and technology are being expanded to fall in line with the six California Department of Education pathways. These six pathways carry the separation of arts and communication into media design and arts and production and managerial arts. Science and technology are also being separated into information and computer technology and robotics. These changes are being implemented in order to receive more

state funding to further the Val Tech programs. However, this expansion is small because none of the curriculum for the Val Tech program is changing. These classes are simply being recategorized to fall in line with the CDE standards. Small as they may be, the changes still benefit students within the program by clarifying routes for further education in their fields of choice as students in the Val Tech program advance to college and higher education. Valencia is the only high school in the district that offers so many career pathways to its Val Tech students.



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- 98% OF AVID SENIORS MEET THEIR A-G REQUIREMENTS
- 100% OF AVID SENIORS TAKE AT LEAST ONE AP OR IB COURSE
- 85% OF AVID SENIORS ARE ACCEPTED INTO 4-YEAR COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES
- 85% OF AVID STUDENTS ARE ENGLISH LEARNERS OR REDESIGNATED ENGLISH LEARNERS



# VHS Mock Trial: *It's a Judicial Thing*

*By: Mrs. Joy Millam*

The road to becoming a powerhouse in the Mock Trial world is a long one. Thirty of Valencia's Tigers are committed to taking the team to the next level. They have taken on this challenge aggressively and have doubled in size. This, no doubt, will lead to greater success in the future. But to make this dream reality, the student attorneys must put in long hours learning how to question witnesses, make objections, and respond to a judge's queries. Witnesses must learn their part; they must take on the character's persona and become a credible witness. Once this is accomplished, students are given a case and expected to create a credible prosecution and defense team

and try the case before a judge at the Superior Court in Santa Ana. For the new students, this is frightening; the judge can be incredibly intimidating and the courtroom is a new experience.

**“It is frightening, but the first experience is thrilling. Once you know what to expect, it gets easier.”**

With only one senior, this year's team has had to adjust quickly; in year's past, the team members have been able to ease into the role of an attorney by first being a witness. This year's squad features 13 new attorneys. That has been challenging, the attorney role requires students to think quickly, respond appropri-

ately, and work to get the witnesses to reveal details that help the case. All while deflecting the opposing team's attempts to thwart your efforts. This year's team expansion has been made possible by the support of the school's administration and because of our volunteer Attorney Coaches, Vanessa Huey and Stacey Leaton; they give their time and help the students hone their skills. Additionally, Vince Sato, a retired Los Angeles County Sheriff has been a tremendous help to the student Pre-Trial attorneys, Jidam Lee and Jacob Pan. This year Katie Black-Knayzik has joined Joy Millam as an assistant coach. The road to Mock Trial greatness is long, challenging, and fun. The Valencia team is hoping that by adding all the new team members that the program will gain traction toward becoming the powerhouse they plan to become.



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# Dance

VHS All-Male & Girl's Dance Team



DIRECTORS:  
 ALL-MALE: ERIC TORRES  
 GIRL'S DANCE: MONICA PENA

CAPTAINS:  
 JUSTIN TRUONG (12)  
 MACKENZIE MOSLEY (12)

ALL-MALE: 17 GUYS  
 7 COMPETITIONS  
 DANCE TEAM: 23 LADIES  
 6 COMPETITIONS



All male hip hop works tirelessly every morning to make sure that their routines are perfect. As we've seen in the past assemblies this year, all male has a great set of young men who dedicate their time to improving upon their swag. So far the dance team has shown tremendous effort and talent as we have seen in their performances in assemblies. The dance team have regionals and nationals to work towards in the upcoming months.



"An inspirational quote that is hung up in our dance room, that we attempt to remember, on and off the dance floor is, 'the only dancer you should try to be better than, is the one you were yesterday'. Dancing is a huge part of our lives and is meant to be something you can go to, to be free and to express who you are. Always dance for yourself, never to compete with others. If there is one thing I hope that my dance family takes away from being a part of this experience is to do exactly that."  
 -Mackenzie Mosley

# Dance Dance Dance

# Jazz

A musical team of immense talent, Valencia High School's Jazz has poured its entire soul and effort into practices in order to accomplish the plethora of performances that await it. Many of the jazz members' efforts bore fruit in forms of concerts throughout the first semester. Just recently, Jazz I played a Count Basie/Duke Ellington Concert on December 3rd; the Hats Jazz Combo also had a concert at Main Street Restaurant on the 7th of November. As the year progresses,

# ColorGuard

Jazz will only continue to advance and play spectacular concerts that it practices devotedly for.

Color Guard is a year-round sport with two seasons: Field

# Cheer/Song

competition and the Winter Guard International Circuit.

Cheer and Song have been practicing for their first competition in December since the beginning of this school year. They hosted a Cheer and Song Clinic in September to teach kids a few cheers and jumps. They cheer at basketball and football games.

\*Shoutout to Emily Otero, the Varsity Song Captain and Danielle Stefanek, the Varsity Cheer Captain.

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## Tiger Regiment ranked 2nd overall in SoCal's 5A division band competition after winning first in 5A!

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Season and Winter Guard. Planned competitions this year are the Winter Guard association in Southern California



# O R C H E S T R A



During the 2014 fall season, the primary goal of Valencia's orchestra was to fully prepare and diligently practice for their debut in the winter concert, December 4th and 17th. During the first few months of school, the orchestra team practiced tirelessly and relentlessly, putting in tremendous amount of effort. In a showcasing of abilities, Sinfonia, division in our school's orchestra, held a smaller version of a concert at the PYLUSD'S District Performing Arts Center

# B A N D



Aside from the wonderful and spectacular showcasing of talent at the annual Bell Game, our school's band program has performed in a plethora of shows, primarily: Valencia High School Classic Field Show, Yorba Linda Show, Placentia Parade, and even the Chino Parade. Our Tiger Regiment received first place for band, color guard, and drumline in the Chino Parade on November 1st. Aside from performing, band has also been working on multiple fundraisers such as the "Got Shooz" donation drive and the SCRIP Program. Great job Tiger Regiment for being ranked 2nd overall in SoCal's 5A division band competition.

# C H O I R



Choir is taught by Mrs. Megan Arthurton. She teaches 5 classes: Chorus, Concert Choir, Women's Ensemble, Chamber Singers, and Vocal Jazz. Recently, Valencia and Kraemer has merged classes; students from respective schools now have an opportunity to improve their skills and work with each other. Most of the groups work together as one and help each other improve. Together, the members participate in school related functions. One of the most well-known school function is the Winter Choir Concert, which will be on the 18th of December at 7 PM - 10 PM in the auditorium this year.

# D R A M A



The drama organization at Valencia, headed by Mrs. Grace Stanton, has ascertained the attention of mass media through multiple articles in the OC Register. Cary Trivanovich, a famous pantomime, has visited and performed in our school's auditorium and has been assisting the Valencia's drama program with their production of "The 39 Steps," a melodramatic play initially written by Patrick Barlow in 2005. Aside from the preparations for the play, the drama students practice multiple hours a day in order to perfect their thespian craft and pull off their performances without a hitch.

# Awards



# Achievements



→ Winter concerts debut will be on December 4th and 17th.

→ Performing for annual Staff's Appreciation Breakfast on December 10th.

→ Preparing for the festival, which is coming up in March.

## CHOIR

→ Kyle Gabriel (11) had been accepted into National Honor Choir.

→ Vocal Jazz had sang at the Yorba Linda Mayor's Prayer breakfast.

→ Both Vocal Jazz and Chamber Choir had been requested to sing at Disneyland in December and February.



→ Band came in for first in the 5A division of Southern California.

→ Percussion got sweepstakes in Romana High School, located in Riverside.

→ As of November 17, Band is 3rd on the grid in Southern CA.

## ORCHESTRA

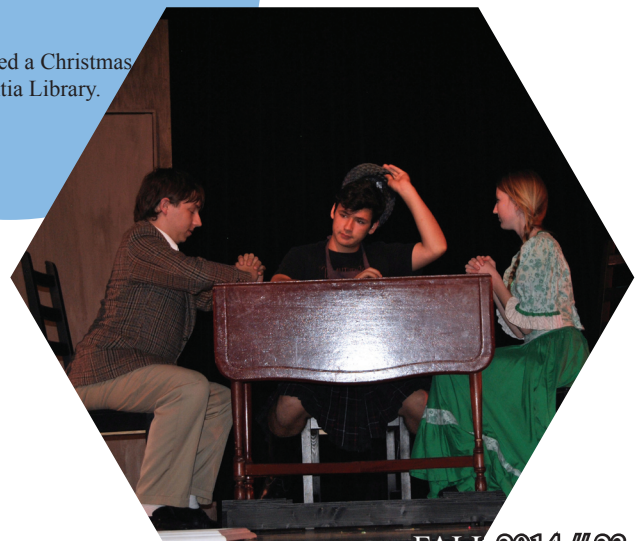
## DRAMA

→ Shane Reichel (11) is one of the leads in the school play 39 steps and was featured in the Orange County Register as one of their artist of the week.

→ They took 5th place at the Drama Teachers' Association competition, which was located in Southern California.

→ They had performed a Christmas show in the Placentia Library.

## BAND



# Favorite T.V. Shows?

“How to Get Away  
with Murder”  
-Adrian Lopez (12)

“That 70’s Show”  
-Vanessa Guzman (12)

“The Big Bang  
Theory”  
-Thomas Saucedo (12)

“The Walking Dead”  
-Bryan Arrellanes (10)

“American Horror  
Story”  
-Sinai Florest (11)

# Favorite Social Media Sites?

“YouTube”  
-Ismael Martinez (11)

“Google +”  
-Thomas Saucedo (12)

“Tumblr”  
-Annie Truong (12)

“Instagram”  
-Ishnai Desai (9)

“Facebook”  
-Saul Serna (10)

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# M O N E Y



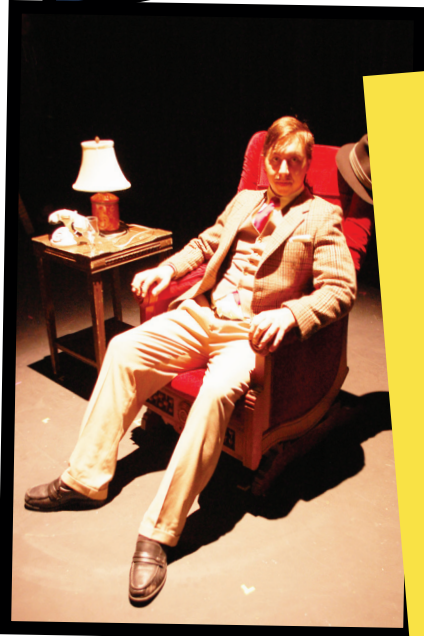
Money establishes an innate sense of security, confidence, and quality of life which allows one to pursue or recognize true happiness. The satisfaction of attaining a surplus of money provides the sensation of protection and stability both fiscally and emotionally. One who is economically stable should have the ability to indulge in enjoyment and experience life's momentous milestones. Money also allows people to exert natural confidence and enjoy the freedom of choice by means of simple pleasure in life. People should not have to worry about whether they are going to be able to put food on the table, let alone about the enjoyment of their existence. Money allows people to provide for themselves with the basic foundations of life so that they do not become a constant hindrance to a stable lifestyle. With basic needs already taken care of, the excess money allows more room for personal luxuries to further improve one's life. - *Scott Burn*

Does money truly buy happiness? Sure, a person with more money may be able to buy more objects, but are they sincerely content? Although wealthier people can buy materialistic items that may provide a euphoric feeling, these objects provide a temporary satisfaction and the consumer may lose interest in the product within a few weeks or even a couple of days. True happiness is expressed through one's way of living instead of through one's income. Although one may earn a stable salary, the source of income may not provide emotional fulfillment. Though there are limitations in expense, one can appreciate value in the simplicity of life. The desire to save up for personal needs encourages patience and delayed gratification, an ability foreign to wealthy individuals. Ultimately, money can provide happiness only to a certain degree, but at best in a materialistic sense. True happiness can only be achieved through the ability to enjoy life and its wondrous aspects that create a natural euphoria.

- *Kevin Kim*



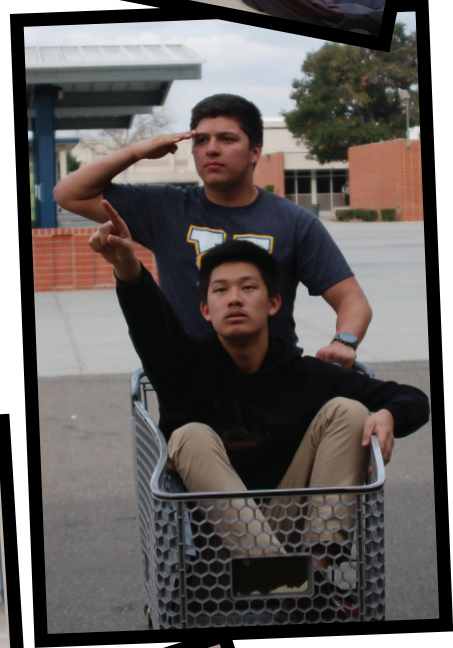
# H A P P I N E S S



# On Campus Life

What is a tiger? A tiger is clearly a large cat that is found in the wild or maybe at a local zoo, but for VHS a tiger is vastly different. A tiger is someone who strives to be successful and works as a team. At VHS our campus is full of diversity, but the thing we have in common is pride. Many of us come from different socioeconomic backgrounds, countries, and cultures, however, this has been a source of strength. Reflecting on this Fall semester, we have seen tigers win championships, obtain perfect ACT scores, memorize lines for a play or notes for a song, march miles and miles, become involved in over 30 clubs, build competitive robots, emotionally support one another, and much more. Not one of these tigers has the same story to tell, but VHS has a family environment. The goal is to obtain a higher education while learning how to become model citizens. This is the definition of a tiger.





# BELL GAME



## History and Tradition



For the third consecutive year, Valencia High School has dominated the Bell Game against our rival, El Dorado High School. With the entire venue of Bradford stadium to bear witness, the VHS varsity football team won a convincing 31-13 victory over El Dorado. As a result, the Bell was kept at its rightful home and the Tigers emerged victorious. "It was a great win for the tigers," Mr. Rick Lopez, our principal, summed up. He further commended the performance of the football team, saying, "Congratulations on keeping the Bell for the 3rd year in a row. You make VHS proud!" Mrs. Olivia Yaung, our assistant principal, also highly praised our victorious team. "This year's victory was really great. The Bell Game is always a fun event for the students and staff," she said. "We have won the bell every year since I began working at Valencia. Every win is just as amazing as the last year's. Let's keep the streak alive for years to come." The hype for the Bell Game each is undeniably widespread; it is a major game that many students are always ecstatic for. However, many are unaware that it has been continued tradition for the last 44 years. For over four decades, the Bell Game has served as a decisive medium between cross-county rivals, Valencia and El Dorado. However, the bell was not always representative of the game's victor. The bell was first donated by the Ramos family in order to honor their grandson Quinn Christian Ramos and others who were the victims of the sudden infant death syndrome. Though the tradition has been continued for a long duration, the bell was implemented as the official winning marker starting in 1999. While the game itself is an exciting event, organizing and preparing for it is no easy feat. The football team is expected to bring their A game and in order to prepare them the team goes through rigorous training. Mrs. Yaung recapitulated the complex process of how the Bell Game is arranged. "Our athletic director, McConnell, contacts El Dorado's athletic director and they work out a week during preseason that fits into both of their football programs' schedules." Yaung also did not forget to mention the dedication of Mr. Jeff Louie, our activities director. "I want to thank our activities director, Mr. Louie, for all his hard work and making sure the game goes off without a hitch." With the Bell secured, the night proved memorable and exciting. "It is a big event for our school and community. If you have not attended in the past, I would strongly recommend coming and supporting the Tigers," Mr. Lopez encouraged for all Tigers.

Boys & Girls

# WATERPOLO



Boys water polo had an excellent season, finishing second in the Empire League for fall season, and girls water polo looks to follow their success in their upcoming winter season.



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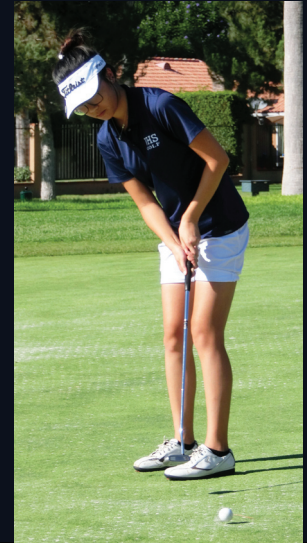
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The girl's golf team have taken five of the six spots available to the Empire League and won the individual title for their team.. They had an undefeated season and was undefeated in the Empire League and finished 3rd in the CIF Team Finals

## GOLF



## CROSS COUNTRY

The Girls Cross Country finished 2nd in the Empire League and advanced to the CIF Preliminaries. The Boys Cross Country was the undefeated Empire League Champions and will advance to the quarter finals.



## SOCCER

The soccer team has spent the past few months committing a significant amount of hours towards their practice in hopes of having a successful season. Both of their seasons will start in November, with girls starting on the 25th and boys on the 24th.

Congratulations to Mikelle Taylor (11) who received MVP and 1st team All-Empire League award. The 2nd team All-Empire League recipient was Kylie Keller (10). Leone Yisrael (12) was awarded most improved and scholar athlete. Amanda Davis (12) got the Coach's award and the best team mate was Allie Gatherum (12).

In the Empire League finals, Girls' tennis had finished 10-0. They were the undefeated Empire League Champions and was the CIF runner ups. Congratulations to Emilee Duong (10) for being named OC Varsity's Tennis Athlete of the Week.

## VOLLEYBALL



## BASKETBALL

The basketball team will start their season around late November and early December. They spent the beginning months of school preparing for championships such as CIF and League. Similar to other winter sports, their season will end around February.

## WRESTLING

The Wrestling Team are practicing daily for the upcoming winter season. They practice from of 6th period until 5:00 PM and practice various wrestling techniques to enhance their performance.



Left  
Son of Man 1946  
Bulgarian artist Rene Magritte  
1898-1967  
Private collection piece

Below  
A Sunday on La Grande Jatte  
1884, 1884-86  
French artist Georges Seurat  
1859-1891  
Art Institute of Chicago

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