



August 5, 2020

Dear Families,

We hope this letter finds you and your children safe, healthy, and excited to start the new school year! As we begin the school year in a full distance learning model, School Counselors at Academies of the Antelope Valley will be working remotely. However, we want to assure you that we are here to support the academic, social/emotional, and college/career needs of your student during this time. We have been collaborating with administrators to prepare information, resources, and creative ways to stay connected with you. We want to provide information on the various ways that you and your student can connect with us as well as participate in learning opportunities via online platforms.

AAV School Counselors are available in the following ways:

- Virtual one-to-one meetings using the Google Meet or Zoom virtual platform. Students, parents, and staff can schedule meetings with their School Counselor using the youcanbook.me links provided below.
- Via email. Students, parents, and staff can email their School Counselor directly using the email address provided below.
- Ask for us to contact you using our Google Check-in request by visiting <https://bit.ly/avcheckin2020>
- By visiting our “drop-in” room at bit.ly/aav_counseling during the hours of 11:40 am - 12:20 pm, Mon. Fri. unless otherwise posted.
- Additionally, your student has been enrolled in a “Homeroom” Google classroom where we will post “Monthly Bulletins” that address frequently asked questions (FAQs), provide resources, and give updates on policies and relevant changes to academic, college & career, and social & emotional subjects.

Additionally, counselors will be conducting presentations to address academic, college & career, and social & emotional subjects. (See the schedule below.)

Counselors

NAME	SITES	SCHEDULE LINK	OFFICE HOURS	EMAIL
Mrs. Ramirez	Knight Prep/Virtual	https://cramirez-0.youcanbook.me	12:30 - 2:30 PM <i>*earlier times may be available. Please check youcanbook.me for availability.</i>	cramirez@avhsd.org
Ms. Finch	Palmdale Prep/Virtual	https://finchemily.youcanbook.me	1:00 - 3:00 PM <i>*earlier times may be available. Please check youcanbook.me for availability.</i>	edfinch@avhsd.org
Mrs. Bryant	SOAR Prep/Virtual	https://aavbryant.youcanbook.me	9:00 - 11:00 AM 1:00 - 2:30 PM	dbryant@avhsd.org

Support Staff

NAME	ROLE	Phone	DROP-IN HOURS	EMAIL
Ms. Orosco	Knight/Palmdale Prep PST	661-456-4711 ext. 101 (Knight Prep) 661-274-4619 ext. 124 (Palmdale Prep)	7:30 AM - 2:30 PM	norosco@avhsd.org
Mr. Valencia	SOAR Prep PST	661-943-2091 ext. 101	7:15 AM - 3:45 PM	jvalencia@avhsd.org
Ms. Hausmann	Virtual PST	661-943-3031	7:15 AM - 3:45 PM	mhausmann@avhsd.org

Please know your school counselors are ready, willing, and able to support students, families, and our community during this time. We look forward to connecting with you soon!

Be well,
Mrs. Ramirez, Ms. Finch, & Mrs. Bryant

****Presentation Schedule****

Counselors and counseling staff will host a meet and greet the first week of school. Please encourage your child to join us (*you are welcome to join as well!*) Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday at the following times. We will use the same Google Meet link the whole week. meet.google.com/sdm-nrkx-mmd

Grades	Time
7th & 8th	12:30 - 1:30
9th - 12th	1:40 - 2:40

Beginning the second week of school, counselors will present lessons to students by grade level according to the following schedule. Presentations will begin at 12:30 PM and last approximately one hour.

Grade	Dates	Meeting Link
7th & 8th	To Be Determined <i>Please watch for email updates.</i>	http://meet.google.com/icn-imin-cza
9th	Tuesdays: 8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, and 9/15	http://meet.google.com/jhe-rajp-xhc
10th	Tuesdays: 8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, and 9/15	http://meet.google.com/jhe-rajp-xhc
11th	Wednesdays: 8/19, 8/26, 9/2, 9/9, and 9/16	http://meet.google.com/thm-fywf-oxv
12th	Thursdays: 8/20, 8/27, 9/3, 9/10, and 9/17	http://meet.google.com/mpd-rdep-ytw