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What's Happening Parents' Edition

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Upcoming Events

- Friday, May 14th:** Senior Exhibition Day 8:45 am - 12:00 pm
Staff Appreciation Lunch 12:00 - 1:30 pm
11th grade Culminating Project panels 1:30 - 3:00 pm
No afternoon classes for other grades
- Saturday, May 15th:** Prom 7:00 - 9:30 pm
- Tuesday, May 18th:** Yearbook distribution during Advisory
- Thursday, May 20th:** Counseling Senior Party outside during Advisory
Senior Party at the Pfouts' house 3:30 - 5:00 pm
- Wednesday, May 26th:** Advisory Olympics 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
MANDATORY Graduation Rehearsal 12:15 - 2:15 pm at Chautauqua Auditorium
- Thursday, May 27th:** 4th Quarter Exhibition Day 8:45 am - 12:00 pm
End of Year Celebration 12:00 - 1:00
- Friday, May 28th:** 1st day of summer break for students
Work day for teachers
- Saturday, May 29th:** Class of 2021 Graduation at Chautauqua Auditorium 10:00 - 12:00 pm

A Note from Kirk

Dear New Vista Families,

We're in the home stretch now. These past 14 months have been some of the most difficult and challenging times that we've ever faced. I'm proud of how our school and community rose to the occasion with empathy, grace, and hard work. We would not be here today, without the support and encouragement of our parents and families. Thank you.

We have a busy month ahead of us as we wrap things up and celebrate the incredible class of 2021. This Friday is Senior Exhibition Day. Unfortunately, we will not be able to invite parents or community members to the school that day. However, we are able to live-stream the presentations. We'll be sending the schedule out to you as soon as it's complete. Each room and group of presentations will have a live stream link attached to it. Anyone who wants to see the presentations will just have to click the link and they'll be able to watch them.

After Senior Exhibition Day, we have our staff appreciation celebration. I want to take a moment to recognize the incredible teachers we have here at New Vista. They've poured their hearts and souls into keeping kids connected to school, and ensuring that learning and connections continue to happen at New Vista. Our counselors, office staff, and custodians, all have gone above and beyond through this pandemic in so many ways.

This Saturday we're having our prom. Due to supervision concerns and worries about the weather, the decision was made to move prom indoors to our gym. Our new location meets all the Boulder County Health Department COVID guidelines. By having the prom indoors we've been able to implement a plan allowing our students to invite guests from other schools. In addition, the money that was earmarked for porta potties and generator, and other outdoor needs can now be spent on decorations. We've had very successful proms in the gym in the past, and we're excited to be able to offer a fun and safe dance for the class of 2021 and all New Vista students.

The final week of school we will be having our traditional Advisory Olympics. Advisories will compete in track and field style activities for honor and glory! This is on Wednesday, May 26th. That afternoon, we'll be having our mandatory graduation rehearsal at Chautauqua. Seniors MUST be there in order to participate in the ceremony. As a reminder, graduation is at Chautauqua Auditorium, on May 29th, at 10:00 AM. Students will have four tickets each to the ceremony, and the ceremony will be live-streamed.

As we begin looking forward to the coming school year, I need to let you know of some changes to our team. Anne Kelly is retiring after being with us in the front office for 7 years. She's been a wonderful teammate and helped to keep our school running smoothly. It's been her friendly face, and helpful voice, that is the first point of contact for our students and families. She leaves us with big shoes to fill.

Aimee Dana has also been with us for the past 7 years, on a School Counselor Corps Grant. We were fortunate enough to have that grant funded twice. The grant ends this year, and as of yet has not been renewed. Aimee is transitioning to Monarch High School where she'll be a part of their counseling team. They're lucky to have her, and we're mourning her loss and the loss of her support to our team here at New Vista.

We want to find ways to continue to provide the spectrum of support that was developed with Aimee's help. In reviewing the counseling program, we've identified some areas that we believe parent volunteers could help out with. These include:

- Coordinating and running our support room, "The Center"
- Coordinating college visits to New Vista
- Assisting with Sources of Strength program.
- Coordinating our annual "Stress Reduction Week"
- Maintaining the two counseling newsletters, "Counselors Corner" and the Scholarship Newsletter.

If you're interested in helping with any of these, or learning more about them, please contact me directly at 720.561.8703, or Kirk.quitter@bvsd.org.

Sincerely,

Kirk

Estimados Padres de Familia de New Vista-

Estamos en la recta final. Estos últimos 14 meses han sido algunos de los momentos más difíciles y desafiantes a los que nos hemos enfrentado. Estoy orgulloso de cómo nuestra escuela y comunidad estuvieron a la altura de las circunstancias con empatía, gracia y esfuerzo. No estaríamos aquí hoy, sin el apoyo y el estímulo de nuestros padres y familias. Gracias.

Tenemos un mes ocupado por delante mientras terminamos y celebramos la increíble clase de 2021. Este viernes es el día de exhibición de los estudiantes que se están graduando. Desafortunadamente, no podremos invitar a los padres o miembros de la comunidad a la escuela ese día. Sin embargo, podemos transmitir las presentaciones en vivo. Le enviaremos el programa tan pronto como esté completo. Cada salón y grupo de presentaciones tendrá un enlace de transmisión en vivo adjunto. Cualquiera que quiera ver las presentaciones solo tendrá que hacer clic en el enlace y podrá verlas.

Después de este Día de Exhibición, tenemos la celebración de agradecimiento a nuestro personal. Quiero tomarme un momento para reconocer a nuestros increíbles maestros que tenemos aquí en New Vista. Han puesto su corazón y alma para mantener a los niños conectados con la escuela y garantizar que el aprendizaje y las conexiones continúen ocurriendo en New Vista. Nuestros consejeros, personal de oficina, conserjes, todos han ido más allá de esta pandemia de muchas maneras.

Este sábado tenemos nuestro baile de graduación. Debido a preocupaciones de supervisión y preocupaciones sobre el clima, se tomó la decisión de trasladar el baile de graduación al interior de nuestro gimnasio. Nuestra nueva ubicación cumple con todas las pautas COVID del Departamento de Salud del Condado de Boulder. Al tener la fiesta de graduación en el interior, pudimos implementar un plan que permite a nuestros estudiantes invitar a personas de otras escuelas y además, tenemos dinero para decoraciones. Hemos tenido bailes de graduación muy exitosos en el gimnasio en el pasado y estamos emocionados de poder ofrecer un baile divertido y seguro para la clase de 2021 y todos los estudiantes de New Vista.

La última semana de clases tendremos nuestras tradicionales Olimpiadas de Asesoramiento. ¡Los asesores competirán en actividades al aire libre y campo por honor y gloria! Esto es el miércoles 26 de mayo. Esa tarde, tendremos nuestro ensayo de graduación obligatorio en Chautauqua. Los graduandos DEBEN estar allí para poder participar en la ceremonia. Como recordatorio, la graduación es en el Auditorio Chautauqua, el 29 de mayo a las 10:00 AM. Los estudiantes tendrán cuatro boletos cada uno para la ceremonia, y la ceremonia se transmitirá en vivo.

A medida que comenzamos a esperar el próximo año escolar, necesito informarles de algunos cambios en nuestro equipo. Anne Kelly se jubila después de estar con nosotros en la oficina principal durante 7 años. Ha sido una compañera de equipo maravillosa y ayudó a que nuestra escuela siguiera funcionando sin problemas. Ha sido su rostro amigable y su voz servicial, que es el primer punto de contacto para nuestros estudiantes y familias. Nos deja con grandes zapatos que llenar.

Aimee Dana también ha estado con nosotros durante los últimos 7 años, con una Beca del Cuerpo de Consejeros Escolares. Tuvimos la suerte de que esa subvención financiara su posición dos veces. La subvención finaliza este año y hasta el momento no se ha renovado. Aimee está en transición a Monarch High School, donde será parte de su equipo de consejería. Tienen suerte de tenerla y lamentamos su partida y la pérdida de su apoyo a nuestro equipo aquí en New Vista.

Queremos encontrar formas de continuar brindando el espectro de soporte que se desarrolló con la ayuda de Aimee. Al revisar el programa de consejería, identificamos algunas áreas en las que creemos que los padres voluntarios podrían ayudar. Éstas incluyen:

- Coordinar y administrar nuestra sala de soporte, "The Center"
- Coordinación de visitas universitarias a New Vista
- Ayuda con el programa de Source of Strength .
- Coordinación de la "Semana de Reducción del Estrés" anual
- Mantener los dos boletines de asesoramiento, el "Rincón de los consejeros" y el Boletín de becas.

Si está interesado en ayudar con alguno de estos o aprender más sobre ellos, comuníquese conmigo directamente al 720.561.8703, o Kirk.quitter@bvsd.org.

Sinceramente-

Kirk

[Counseling Corner](#)

Please read [Counselor's Corner](#). We work so hard to keep you updated on community events, resources, post high school planning information, award opportunities, jobs, summer plans, and much more.

Dear Amazing New Vista Community,

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you that I will not be returning to New Vista next year. My job has been largely funded by a grant, which is now over. In a different situation, I would definitely not leave this wonderful community. NV has been my home for the past 7 years and I cannot imagine a better place to be a counselor. The small community has given me the opportunity to really get to know so many of our students and families. I will be forever grateful for the experience, New Vista, its students, parents, teachers and staff, have provided me. It has been an honor talking with you, supporting you and watching your children grow into the amazing people that they are. I can't explain how much I have enjoyed hearing about students' thoughts, concerns and passions. I am sad to go, but I leave knowing that you are in excellent hands. You will not find a more dedicated, caring and supportive person than Diane. I wish you all the best!

Sincerely, Aimee

[A Message From Diane for 10th and 12th Grade Parents/Guardians](#)

Hi Parents/Guardians- It's hard to believe we are ending this year already. In some ways, it feels like forever, and in other ways, it feels like it just flew by. I would really appreciate it if you watch the quick videos I made to close this year. Thanks for all you do! And I hope you have a lovely summer.

Video For 12th Grade Parents [HERE](#)

Video for 10th Grade Parents [HERE](#)

Prom

Hey New Vista! StuCo is proud to announce that Prom 2021: Renaissance Masquerade will take place on Saturday May 15 at New Vista's gym between 7:00 and 9:30 pm. Click on the party pic below for a video from your StuCo peers with more information:



Tickets will be on sale before school, during lunch, and after school near the front office for \$15 per ticket. You can also buy tickets at the door for \$20 each. We take cash, Venmo, and Paypal.

If you are hoping to bring a guest from outside of New Vista, please see Ann Thomaier for the form they will need to complete (with their principal) before they can come to our prom.

A lot went into evaluating the venue for this year's prom. Due to the original Prom outdoors in a college-student neighborhood, worries about access to restrooms (including unisex), unknown weather, challenge to timely setup/take down, and supervision concerns, the decision was made to hold Prom indoors. Our gym meets all the Boulder County Health Department COVID guidelines, and we have implemented a plan to allow attendance of guests from other schools. In addition, the money that was earmarked for special outdoor needs can now be spent on anything needed for our indoor decorations, etc. We've had very successful proms in the gym in the past and we're excited to be able to offer a fun and safe dance for all New Vista students.

Yearbook

You can still buy a yearbook

There are a limited number of yearbooks still available for purchase. The 2021 NEW VISTA HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis! Don't be left empty handed on signing day! Visit the school bookkeeper or go to Jostensyearbooks.com. The current price is \$70.

Yearbooks will be distributed on Tuesday, May 18th during Advisory.

End of Year Celebration

Thursday, May 27th is our last day of school and we will celebrate with our 4th Quarter Exhibition Day from 8:45 - 12:00. Due to COVID restrictions we are not able to have our usual potluck BBQ, but we will celebrate with some ice cream and popsicle treats before heading home for the summer.

There will not be a lunch service.



Graduation

The Class of 2021 will celebrate their graduation at the Chautauqua Auditorium on Saturday, May 29th at 10:00 pm. Each graduate will receive 4 guest tickets at Graduation rehearsal. The district will live stream the ceremony. A link will be sent out once we receive it from Communications.

As a reminder, there is no parking at Chautauqua for the graduation. Please park at New Vista and use the complimentary Shuttle bus. All guests are reminded that there is no food or drink allowed in the auditorium, except for water in plastic bottles. Event staff will be checking bags/purses upon entry. All guests will also have their temperature taken.

If you have any questions, please email ann.thomaier@bvsd.org.