

Ann Sobrato High School
Bulldog Family Newsletter

November 10, 2025




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Calendar Updates

General School-wide Important Dates: [Website Calendar linked here](#)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Note</u>
November 11	Veterans Day	No School
November 12	Wednesday Block Schedule due to short week	Click here for the modified bell schedule.
November 13	Bulldog Time	During tutorial
November 14-15	Fall Play	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nov 14th at 7pm • Nov 15th at 7pm. Tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$10 for Senior Citizens, and Students with ASB.
November 19	On Track Night and Cash for College	Sobrato Library On Track Night - 5pm Cash for College - 6pm
November 21	Give Thanks Day	During lunch ASB will have table covers on lunch tables
November 24-28	Thanksgiving Break	No school
November 30	College Applications due	Counseling Center is open during Tutorial, 7th period or by appointment for all seniors seeking assistance with college applications and financial aid. Seating is limited on a first come, first serve basis.
December 8-12	Academic Focus Week	
December 15-18	Finals	Click here for the Fall 2025 Finals schedule.
December 19	Teacher Work Day	No school for students
December 22-January 2, 2026	Semester Break	No school

January 5	First Day of Second Semester	
January 9	Now and Forever on campus for Senior Portraits	
January 16	Deadline for Senior Ads and Senior Portraits	

Upcoming Parent/Community Meetings: [Website Calendar linked here](#)

Meeting	Location	Date
School Site Council	Admin Conference Room	11/10 and 12/8, 4:15-5:45 pm
SMMA Parent Meeting	Virtual	11/18, 7:00pm
Coffee and Pastries with Sobrato Admin and Home and School Club	Admin Conference Room	11/14, 8:45-9:45 am
ELAC Meeting	E108	11/12, 5:30 pm
Athletic Boosters	Virtual	11/17
Senior Grad Night	Sobrato Library	11/18, 6:00pm

Be sure to check the [Sobrato website](#) and [calendar](#) for other upcoming events!
To have information published in the E-newsletter, send an email to jimenez-parejad@mhusd.org.

To be added to the Home and School Club distribution list for school updates to Home and School Club Meetings and Senior Celebration Meeting, please email: annsobratohsc@gmail.com

Celebrations

Dia de los Muertos Celebration

Thank you to all students and staff who participated in our Dia de los Muertos celebration on November 3rd! Students created an ofrenda that included memories of loved ones, individual ofrendas, art work and magical animals (alebrijes), and Dia de los Muertos pumpkins that were all displayed in the Library.

Students had a special lunch that included a performance by Sobrato's band and the Live Oak Folklorico dancers, along with a delicious chili Verde lunch provided by our Nutrition Department. Staff enjoyed the Live Oak Folklorico dancers and our Sobrato Choir in the Library during lunchtime.

Families, staff and students were all invited to the celebration in the early evening and enjoyed the performances by the Sobrato Band and Choir along with the Live Oak

folklorico dancers followed by a reception in the Library. Participants enjoyed agua fresca and pan de Muertos while they circulated around to take in the art work and ofrendas.

We want to especially thank the families, staff, and students who helped plan and execute this cultural celebration! Check out the videos and pictures from the event [here!](#)





🎉 **Opening Weekend for 26 Pebbles** 🎉

Congratulations to Sobrato Theatre Society and Mr. deMelo on a very successful opening weekend of the fall play! We appreciate all the thoughtfulness and hard work that went into this production. Pictured are both casts with flowers from ASB during their Q&A after Friday night's performance. You can find the program [here](#).



🎉 **Sobrato Jazz Ensemble @ Gavilan Performance** 🎉

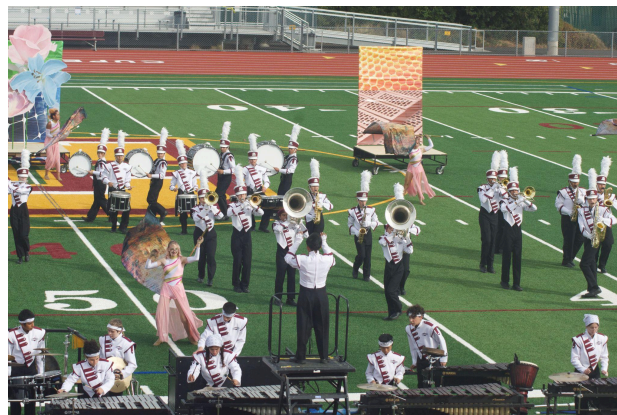
The Sobrato Jazz Ensemble opened for the Dahveed Behroozi Quartet on Thursday 11/6 at the Gavilan College Theater.



🎉 **Cupertino Tournament of Bands** 🎉

Congratulations to the Sobrato High School Marching Band and Colorguard for their 1st Place win, as well as winning High Music & High Percussion! So far, the Sobrato Marching

Band has taken 1st Place in all 3 competitions in their season! [Click here](#) to view their performance!



WBA Hollister Competition

Sobrato Marching Band & Colorguard took 1st place and High Music and High Percussion at the Scarlet Regiment Tournament of Bands, with a score of 75.425. We're currently ranked 1st in the state for the WBA 1A division. Also, congratulations to the Live Oak Emerald Regime on winning High Colorguard.



Discussions to have with your student

Deliveries for Students

No deliveries of non-school related items will be accepted. In the spirit of maintaining campus safety and security, food and beverage delivery services (ex. DoorDash) may not be used during the school day. Drivers will be turned away from our campus. We are not responsible for charges incurred for failing to adhere to this policy. Families may not drop off food of any kind. If students need food, the Sobrato cafeteria offers hot food, sandwiches, snacks, and milk each school day during brunch and lunch. All meals are free for all students.

Time Sensitive



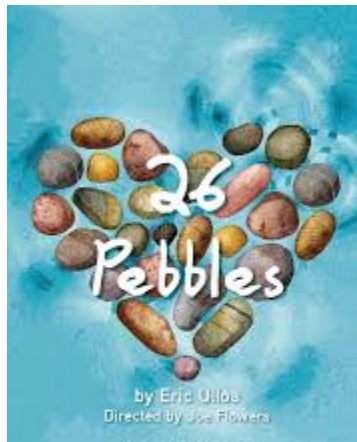
Sobrato Theater Society Performance

It's Fall Play time! This year the Sobrato Theater Society presents our most challenging piece of theater yet, 26 Pebbles by Erik Ulloa. This piece is intended for high school or older audiences. It is a docudrama and contains the real words of the townspeople of Newtown and Sandy Hook, Connecticut. While not sensationalized or dramatized, it offers a thoughtful recounting of the events leading up to and surrounding the tragedy, culminating in how the community began its journey through grief, healing, and renewal in the aftermath. *Warning:* This show contains discussion of mental illness, school shootings, death, and child loss.

Performances are

- Nov 14th at 7pm
- Nov 15th at 7pm.

Tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$10 for Senior Citizens, and Students with ASB.



College Applications

Please remind your senior students that the deadline for the CSU and UC applications is November 30th. Counselors are happy to go over their college applications during tutorial, 7th period and by appointment.

General Information

Fall Finals Exam Schedule 2025

Finals are around the corner! Finals can be a large portion of Fall semester grades, ensuring that students study and are present for them are a key to their success. If students are absent, they will need to make them up upon their return from semester break. You can [click here for the Fall Finals Exam Schedule 2025](#).

Academic Focus Week (December 8-12)

The week before finals is referred to as Academic Focus Week. This week is dedicated to preparing students for their semester exams. Although teachers may introduce new

material the week should be predominantly used as review. Contrary to popular belief among students, homework during Academic Focus Week is permitted and appropriate.

MiNGA

Sobrato is transitioning to a fully digital hall pass system. This means that students will no longer receive paper passes from the front office. All passes (late arrival, bathroom, nurse's, and early dismissal) will appear on MiNGA. Students can access MiNGA using a cellphone or a chromebook.

When families are aware their student will be leaving early on a certain day they will contact the attendance office as soon as possible, preferably before lunch time. Once we receive their call/voicemail, a MiNGA pass will be created. The pass will instantly appear on the student's MiNGA profile. Passes are visible when students click on the bell notification on their MiNGA app. The student can show the pass to their teacher when their time to leave approaches on their chromebook, or when they enter the classroom on their phone before they hang it in the caddy.

Our new process will ensure class time will not be interrupted to call a student's classroom to send them to the office to leave school. Thank you for your cooperation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Ms. Valella, Assistant Principal, valellam@mhusd.org.

Sharing Good Books from Ms. Curley

[Click here](#) to read about Ms. Curley book recommendations!

Parent/Family Group Updates



Coffee Chats with the Sobrato Admin, You're invited!

On Friday, November 14th, 2025 we will be having "Coffee Chats with the Sobrato Admin" & our Home and School Club Meeting at 8:45-9:45am in the Admin Conference Room. This is your chance to meet with administration in a small group setting. There will be an open forum during this meeting. This event is in partnership with Home and School Club, who will conduct their official business.

This event will occur monthly. Please visit our upcoming family newsletters and the Sobrato calendar for future meeting dates.

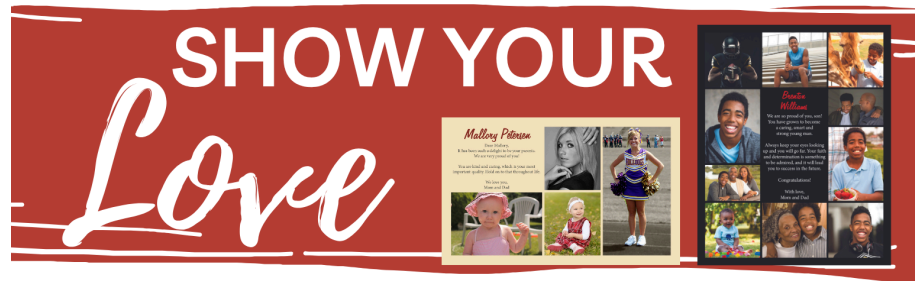
Senior Updates

2025-2026 Senior Portraits Photos

SENIORS must book an appointment with [Now and Forever Studios](#) to take their senior portrait. This is the photo that will be in the yearbook. The deadline is January 16, 2026.

2025-2026 Senior Ad Pages

Don't miss the opportunity to congratulate your graduate and express your love. Go to yearbookordercenter.com to create an ad honoring your student. The deadline is 1/16/26



Create Your Sobrato High School Senior Tribute

Don't miss the opportunity to congratulate
your graduate and express your love.

Go to [**yearbookordercenter.com**](http://yearbookordercenter.com) to
create an ad honoring your student.

Final Deadline by 1/16/2026

Full Page = \$350 Half-Page = \$225

Quarter Page = \$150 Eighth Page = \$100

How to submit online:

Step 1- Go to www.yearbookordercenter.com and enter order number **12083**.

Step 2- Click Create a Yearbook Ad.

Step 3- Follow the prompts to design your ad, add it to your cart and purchase it. Your ad is not complete until you add it to your cart and complete the checkout process!

For ordering help, call The Yearbook Order Center toll free at **866-287-3096** or email us at yearbookordercenter@varsity.com

For technical questions, call Tech Support toll free at **877-362-7750** or email us at techadvisor@varsity.com

Athletics, ASB, FFA, and Club Updates

Enrollment for Japan is now open!

A big thank you to everyone who attended the informational meeting about the upcoming trip to Japan in Summer 2027! Enrollment is now open!

There are limited **spots available**, and you can **lock in your spot with only \$95**. Plus, enroll by November 14 and you'll **receive a \$200 discount**. As a reminder, EF also offers risk-free enrollment, which gives you the flexibility to cancel within 7 days for a full refund, just in case your plans change.

Enroll now and check out the trip details here: www.eftours.com/2990611EA
Space is limited and spots are first-come, first-served!

To learn more about EF Educational Tours, a trusted travel partner, you can check out their [website](#). It covers everything from payment plans to what's included to their approach to safety. Once you enroll, you'll also get access to your [personal fundraising page](#) and can apply for [EF's Global Citizen Scholarship](#). Have additional questions? Email me Ms. Foss fossk@mhusd.org, check out EF's website, or contact EF's Traveler Support Team:



Live chat: <https://www.eftours.com/contact-us>



Call: 800-665-5364



<https://www.eftours.com>

If your student has friends who are interested but haven't signed up yet, feel free to pass this message along to their families.
Looking forward to an incredible trip!

Counselor Corner

Please click on the link for the latest edition of our [Counseling News](#).

Wellness Center News

Please check out our [Wellness Newsletter](#) for our events, photos, resources and everything wellness-related!

- If you have any **questions** for the Wellness Center, please feel free to email Ms. Martina (Sobrato Wellness Counselor) at glenm@mhusd.org.
- If you have any **concerns about a student due to their mental health and wellness**, please fill out our [referral form](#). Ms. Martina will see the student at her earliest convenience. You can also email Ms. Martina with more details about why you think the student should be seen.

Fundraisers



[Closet Treasures Holiday Sale](#), Villa
Mira Monte, November 12-13, 3-7pm



SMMA, [Nick the Greek](#) (Bernal Rd
Location), November 13



GOURMET BURGERS AND BREWS

H&SC, [Red Robin](#), November 18



FFA, [Panda Express](#) (Tennant Location),
November 19, 9:30am-9:30pm

See's CANDIES®

Athletic Booster, [See's Candies](#), Last day to order December 5

[Click here for fliers/ additional info!](#)