

NewsLetter

Sept 6, 2024



Multi-use Library

Elementary Students Resume Library Visits

Students in Grades K-8 enjoy regular visits to the library where they can check out books to read out home. Students not only get to hone their reading skills they also get to practice responsibility checking out and returning books regularly. Students are encouraged to explore a variety of genres as they develop a love for reading. You can augment this experience by taking them to your local library! Consider a library card if you do not already have one. Pictured above is our excited fourth graders on their "orientation" visit.

Digital Video Production: High School

Students in high school digital video production learn the basics and advanced features of filming and editing activities in daily school life. All of these classes take place in the library - where students have some artistic freedom to create. High school students can also use the computers and print any assignments for a small fee.

September 11

We encourage parents to have a conversation at home this week end about the significance of this day. We will be addressing it next Wednesday as well. To put it into perspective - none of our current students were alive when this event happened. Elementary Students may wear red, white and blue in honor of this day.

Heal the Bay Sept. 21

Spend some time cleaning up the beach, earning service hours and then enjoy some family and community fun at the beach afterwards. A fun and rewarding experience. Clean up is from 9-12 and beach time is from 12 - as long as you want to stay. See the flyer for more details (coming soon).

Hollywood Bowl 9/14

Approximately 800 Valiants will go on a field trip to the Hollywood Bowl. Students have been meeting in Family Homerooms to review etiquette and to plan a picnic. After what we hope will be an educational night, students will return to the school around 11:30 pm. Please return permissions slips accordingly. Pick up will be at McDill Hall for Grades 7/8 Pick up for HS will be on Community St.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

SG offers two excellent transition programs you won't find anywhere else in the Valley. This week the High School to College transition. See below.

HIGH SCHOOL to COLLEGE

Students have the opportunity to EARN college credits while in high school. What a great opportunity to help your student get ahead of the college game, save money on tuition and help ensure your student graduates college in a timely manner. We have two different options that students can pursue either independently or simultaneously to maximize their credits.

DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

St. Genevieve has partnered with Los Angeles Valley College to offer college classes on the SGHS campus each semester. Students enrolled in these classes (as long as they pass) earn both high school & college credit simultaneously. That's right, when they apply to college, they actually apply with a high school and a college transcript! Additionally, we have been very strategic in our course selection to ensure the courses we offer meet the IGETC (general education) requirements for UC & Cal State schools. Please meet your counselor to check eligibility for Spring courses.

College Classes Fall 2024

US History	Political Science	English 101
Anthropology	Child Development	Art 201

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES

These extremely rigorous courses prepare students for the rigor of courses at elite colleges. Students must demonstrate in-depth comprehension and application of the subject matter on a national exam in May to receive college credits. In general, students who pass these exams, say the level of care and preparation they received from their SG teachers played a huge role in helping them to feel successful in college.

Advanced Placement Courses Fall 2024

World History	Literature	Spanish	Physics
Pre-Calculus	Calculus AB/BC	Statistics	Enviro Science

If students follow a rigorous SG course pathways that combines the two options, students can potentially transfer in with enough units to be categorized as a sophomore or a junior - making elite, expensive colleges a real option when you are paying for 1-2 years less!

Last years top 10 graduating seniors graduated with 30-48 units of college credit! That places them as first and second semester sophomores in college with many GE requirements met! Go Valiants.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Please preview the list for special events during September
Sports and individual clubs/activities have their own calendars.

SEPTEMBER **PICTURE DAYS**

Elementary: Friday, September 6 (Formal Uniform)
High School: Monday, September 9 (Casual Uniform)

VIRTUS TRAINING (Child Safety Workshop)

All elementary parents wishing to supervise on fieldtrips or volunteer on campus must be VIRTUS trained. Every four years, you must be re-certified. If you cannot find your certificate the ES office can help confirm what we have on file. Sign ups are posted on Class Dojo. The doors lock - meaning you MUST be on-time and present the entire time to receive the certification. Student safety is the most important thing to us - so please understand this rule is non-negotiable.

First Certification: Monday, September 9 @ 5pm in McDill Hall
Re-Certification: Tuesday, September 10 @ 5pm in McDill Hall

COLLEGE WORKSHOPS 9/10 & 9/17

Join the counseling team on a zoom to learn more about what you need to be doing to prepare for the next step in your students life. Zoom links will be e-mailed out the day of and the zoom lasts approximately 45 minutes with opportunities for questions with the experts on campus.

Grades 9/10 (It's not too early): September 10 @ 6pm
Grades 11/12 (It's time): September 17 @ 6pm

HOLLYWOOD BOWL TRIP: BOYZ II MEN + Paula Abdul

Students in grades 7-12 will take a Saturday cultural field trip to the Hollywood Bowl. Part of this character exercise includes learning how to work together to plan a picnic, treat a place with respect by leaving the picnic area we use better than we found it & learning how to behave properly at a large venue.

No School for Students in Grades 7-12 on Monday, September 16. Grades PK - 6 still in session.

Ashley Bendikson - Sept. 19

Join us for an informative talk on the how to manage your mental health and maintain healthy relationship as a teen. Parents, this is an opportunity for you to start a conversation with your student while driving home. Attending these evenings is an example of parents and the school working together to help your teens manage life in 2024 in a healthy and productive way. It needs an all hands on deck approach.

Safety First

Two Reminders

Your DROP OFF Spot

The firelane gate is only assigned to Kinder/First/Fourth & Eleventh Grade.

Parents - if your child is not in this grade - please use your appropriate drop off spot.

At prime drop off time, the lane leading to the firelane entrance gate is overflowing while other areas are not. Please respect the time that the Kinder/First graders need to get out of the car and use your assigned drop of location. I promise you - a little walk is good for your student!

DRIVE SLOWLY: A neighbor, who happens to be an alum of the school, reported their cat was run over during drop off time. Please drive carefully and slowly. Animals and small children are simply unpredictable.