


# Things You Need To Know!

**Picture Day** will be conducted on Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. All students MUST take an ID picture! There is an option for you to purchase your student's portrait through the LifeTouch website,  [www.schoolportraits.lifetouch.com/students](http://www.schoolportraits.lifetouch.com/students). Our picture day ID is CG 31 7 727 Y0. Contact LifeTouch for details. Picture re-takes have been scheduled on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Senior Meetings** are conducted at 2:55 pm on the first Friday of each month. They help to keep our seniors grounded and headed in the right direction with a focus on graduation! This year Mrs. Mang ([kristin.mang@asd20.org](mailto:kristin.mang@asd20.org)) is our senior class sponsors. While the date has not yet been set by the Board of Education our 2019 graduation date will arrive quickly! If you have a senior this year who intends to graduate in May please remind them that these senior meetings are mandatory. They begin promptly at 2:55 p.m. each month. Thank you for encouraging your student to participate. We appreciate your support!

- September 7
- October 5
- November 2
- December 7
- January 11
- February 1
- March 1
- April 5
- May 3

**NOTE:** Earning a diploma from Aspen Valley includes successful completion of 1 three-credit college class as well as classes specific to our program, fulfilling the community service and job exploration requirements, timely submission of acceptable research paper, CPR certification and voter registration (dictated by age restriction). Help your student use their time wisely to ensure all requirements are met in a timely fashion.

**Senior Parent and Student Meeting** will be conducted on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. We would like to make this a mandatory meeting to effectively communicate our expectation for the student's senior year in an effort to focus efforts on finishing strong with no surprises.

**Grade Days** are a reward for those whose academic grades are 70% or better. The second to last day of each hexter has been set aside for grade day. This day is special at Aspen Valley because we suspend classes so that students can work with the teachers to ensure they earned credit in all of their classes. Students who finish the hexter with a 70% or better and no suspensions may be excused for the day by their teachers/mentors. That privilege is so noted in your student's planner. Students who fail to report to grade day and were not excused by their teacher may face consequences for their choices and will be required to meet with the Principal upon their return.

Our goal is to reduce the number of students required to be here on each Grade Day. This would indicate that students are completing homework assignments on time or before the end of the hexter and that their behavior is such that they have not been suspended.

Please check your student's planner to determine the status of your student's Grade Day attendance. Remember your student is only required to attend those classes they have not been signed off as passing. Feel free to contact your student's mentor for any clarification you may need. Students will be transported to and from school on the regular bus schedule.

The last day of the hexter has been set aside as a teacher work day and students are not in class. Buses will not run for AVHS students on the last day of the hexter. **If your student attends AVP**, classes will be held as usual at PPCC and the bus will pick up and drop off students as they normally do according to the AVP schedule.

**Community Service Day** has been scheduled on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. This is a day for the whole school to participate in a variety of community service projects. With the need for 72 hours of volunteer service it is a great way to get in additional hours and have a great time working alongside classmates and teachers.

**Student / Parent / Teacher Conferences** have been scheduled for the fall and spring semesters. Students are required to participate in conferences. Communicate with your student's Puma teacher to schedule your appointment. Classes will not be conducted during our two day conference window each semester.

- October 18 and 19
- March 21 and 22

**Thanksgiving Feast** is an annual function hosted by Aspen Valley. This year's event will be on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are often called upon for assistance. We are thankful to so many the event has grown to include 180 – 200+ people. It is such a fun, rewarding and worthwhile excuse to get together and share all that we are thankful for each year. We traditionally cater an entire thanksgiving themed meal including the turkey and all the sides. Desserts, beverage, rolls, butter, cranberry sauce, and paper products are the only items requested through donations.



**Vision and Hearing Screening** will be conducted on December 7, 2018. All students will be screened during Puma. If you do not want your student screened, please send a written request to exempt your child at least two weeks prior to the screening.