



# The Virtual Academy Bulletin

**5/11/18**

**MAY IS NATIONAL ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**  
**MAY 9 - DAY OF THE TEACHER**  
**MAY 15-19 - CLASSIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WEEK**

## **Finals Schedule**

Please note that we are on a finals schedule for the week of 5/21. You can find a copy of the schedule here:

<http://www.edvirtualacademy.com/documents/Finals%20Schedule%20Spring%202018.docx.pdf>

## **Graduation Information**

Please join me in congratulating the incredible class of 2018! All of these young men and women have worked diligently to get to this point and have promising futures ahead of them. Make us proud graduates and best wishes to you in your future endeavors!

Our graduation ceremony will be held in the Union Mine Theater on Saturday, May 26th beginning at noon. Seniors, please arrive promptly at 10:45. Doors will open to family and friends at 11:30.

**SENIORS: Please make plans to attend graduation practice on Friday, May 25th from 9:30-12:30 in the Union Mine Theater. This is a mandatory event.**



## **End of the School Year Information**

As we come to the end of the school year, we encourage both students and parents to touch base with teachers now to address any concerns. The final week of school is an extremely busy time of year for teachers and too late to make a significant impact on grades. Please reach out to your teachers now to help insure a positive end to the school year.

### **Virtual Academy Staffing Notes:**

With the 2017-18 school year coming to a close, we wanted to share with our students and families that two of our current teachers will be departing us at the end of this year. After nearly 25 years of serving the students and families of El Dorado County, Mrs. Debbie Lynn, Education Specialist, will be retiring this year. Mrs. Lynn will be enjoying her family and traveling the world, but will greatly miss working with our students and families. We will greatly miss Mrs. Lynn and her dedication to her students.

Mrs. Maginness has been with the Virtual Academy since it was known as Shenandoah High School. In addition to helping insure that Virtual Academy students were strong readers and writers, Mrs. Maginness has also served as the Lead Teacher at the Virtual Academy for the past two years and has played an integral role in many of the positive changes that have taken place here. For the past several years, she has also been teaching nights at the community college level and has elected to further pursue college level teaching next year. Mrs. Maginness will be greatly missed and we wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Mary Ann Hunt, Educational Specialist, will be joining us for the 2018-19 school year. Mrs. Hunt will be coming to us from Ponderosa High School where she has served students and families for many years. Many of our students have already had the opportunity to meet Mrs. Hunt as she has been on campus this past week. Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Hunt.

In addition, we are pleased to announce the hiring of Mrs. Mikaela Nadolski, English teacher, for the 2018-19 school year. Mrs. Nadolski has resided in El Dorado County nearly all her life and graduated from El Dorado High School. After a few years of coaching swimming at the Division 1 collegiate level, Mrs. Nadolski has come home to her roots and her passion for teaching. We are excited to welcome her to the Virtual Academy family.

### **Looking Ahead to the 2018-19 School Year:**

While we are wrapping up the 2017-18 school year, the Virtual Academy staff is already diligently working toward planning for the 2018-19 school year. A few important things to note as we head into summer:

- The Virtual Academy summer office hours will be 7:30 am - 3:30 pm from May 29th - June 22nd. The office will be closed from June 25th - July 13th. Regular office hours will resume on July 16th.
- The fall schedule for next year is being developed and will be posted online/sent home via mail over the summer. Student schedules will also be mailed out over

the summer.

- You will receive a packet of information this summer that will include the items mentioned above along with your student's master agreement (state requirement), a schedule change form (in case you have any changes you would like to make to your student's schedule), and a calendar of important dates to be aware of. **Please note that the Master Agreement must be returned prior to the start of school.** Schedule change forms should also be returned prior to the start of school to help insure a smooth start to the school year.
- The first day of school for the 2018-19 school year is August 6th.

**On behalf of the entire Virtual Academy Team, best wishes for a fun and relaxing summer break!**

Sincerely,

Chuck Palmer  
Director

**College/Career Information**  
**[Link to our College & Career Page](#)**

**Attention students!!**

Please check Virtual Academy's website [www.edvirtualacademy.com](http://www.edvirtualacademy.com), [REMIND.COM](http://REMIND.COM), Facebook, Canvas and the Career Center for additional information.

**Folsom Lake College Events:**

**Check in your Career Center for Plan Ahead flyer** that assists students in completing their pre-enrollment steps to become enrolled for Summer/Fall 2018.



Summer/Fall 2018 – Advanced Education Applications are available online [flc.losrios.edu](http://flc.losrios.edu) and VA's Career Center. **Class schedules available online March 26th.**

Plan Ahead for Fall 2018 Steps to Success. Click [here](#) for the flyer!

**CTE HIGHLIGHT:**

This month Folsom Lake College will be highlighting their **Emergency Medical Technology Program**, offering an Emergency Medical Sciences Certificate which includes 12 hours of field experience and an additional 12 hours in a hospital emergency department. The program is designed to provide students with the skills and knowledge necessary to apply for the certification as a Basic Emergency Medical Technician. Possible employment options include Emergency Room Technician, EMT Basic, or Fire Service. If students are interested in this program or any other Career Technical Education program please contact [CareerPrograms@flc.losrios.edu](mailto:CareerPrograms@flc.losrios.edu) (Students: If you enroll in this program and are interested in a internship with Marshall Hospital or Fire Department, this certificate will help you get an internship for fall or spring 2019.

### **FLC REGISTRATION SUMMER/FALL 2018:**

New student registration will begin on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Students will be assigned a date and time to register which is posted in your **eServices** account, students may register on that day or any time after – the sooner the better as classes are filling FAST! If students need assistance with the registration process online, please go to **registration and payment video** OR you can go to El Dorado campus and receive assistance.

### **LOS RIOS PROMISE PROGRAM:**

**SENIORS: NEW**, first time college students can get their tuition waived if you enroll in 12 units (up to 18 units) your first year! Students need to fill out the FAFSA or Dream Act in order to qualify. **The deadline to qualify is August 14<sup>th</sup>**. Please see the **flyer** for more information about the program details.

### **ADVANCED EDUCATION:**

Students that are 16 years old or have completed their sophomore year in high school and have a 2.7 GPA can register for college classes – tuition FREE! Students may take 2 classes each term (Summer/Fall/Spring) and must have a completed **Advanced Education packet** for each term. Counseling and registration dates/times are listed below.

### **ENGLISH AND MATH PLACEMENTS:**

Students interested in taking English and/or Math classes your first term you can see your placement results in **eServices** under the Steps to Success tab. It is recommended that ALL new students attend an **Academic Planning Session** to determine what classes to enroll in. Attached is a helpful guide to determine which of the English 300 classes are directly linked to the English 33 lab to support College Composition, at all three FLC locations!

## **Regional Events**

### **Some classes are still open!**

**UC Davis Pre-College Program** - The UC Davis Pre-College Program gives sophomores and juniors in high school a chance to learn about different "majors". You will also meet with a college admissions advisor, learn about the admissions process and get advice on how to make yourself shine on your college essay. Check deadlines!! These classes fill-up fast. Coastal & Marine Science, Design, Food & Agriculture Technology, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Language & The MInd, Veterinary Science.  
<http://precollege.ucdavis.edu/who-we-are/>  
<http://precollege.ucdavis.edu/high-school-students-can-now-take-uc-davis-for-a-test-drive/>

**Learn about Pre-College Programs and their Summer Residential Program at UC Berkeley.** Summer Sessions 2108 classes are still available. Begins June 4!  
<http://summer.berkeley.edu/precollege-programs/precollege-residential>

## SAT / ACT

ACT/SAT College [Testing Dates](#) 2017 - 2018

ACT/SAT College [Testing Dates](#) 2018 - 2019 (Plan now for 2018 - 2019)

**Send four score reports while they're free.** Sending to CSU Mentor (**use code 3594**) will cover ALL 23 CSU's. This will allow all 23 CSU campuses to receive your ACT scores. In addition, if you send your ACT scores to one UC school, all UC schools will be able to access the score.

Use your other free score-sends for private colleges or NCAA (code 9999) or NAIA (9876).

**FREE**



**Scholarships** are located in the **career center** filed by month to month deadlines. Scholarships are also sent out to students and/or parents through **REMIND.COM** Please sign-up for free money! **Keep applying!** **When will you receive your Financial Aid Award letter? Click below.**



## Have you made a difference through volunteering / interning?

**Additional volunteering, summer internships and jobs are listed in the career center!**

A few Internships are being set-up before summer break. We have several students interning with the District Attorney's Office. All intern students will attend workshops the first two weeks in August. Please come by your Career Center if you have any questions regarding your internship for fall.

## Athletic Information

**The Extracurricular Athletic Handbook, for participation in sports at the comprehensive high schools in our district, is available online at [www.eduhsd.net](http://www.eduhsd.net). All required forms in this document can be completed online and printed for submission to the Athletic Department at your student's home school. If you have questions, please contact the Athletic Director at your student's home school:**

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Athletic Director  
El Dorado High School  
(530) 622-3634, ext. 1010

Stephen White  
Athletic Director  
Oak Ridge High School  
(916) 933-6980, ext. 3044

Tyson Escobar  
Athletic Director  
Ponderosa High School  
(916) 933-1777, ext. 2295

Jay Aliff  
Athletic Director  
Union Mine High School  
(530) 621-4003, ext. 4125

## **Staff Contact Information:**

If you are having technical issues, please contact:

- Chuck Palmer, Director: [cpalmer@eduhsd.net](mailto:cpalmer@eduhsd.net)
- Aprille Osborne-Maginness, Lead Teacher: [amaginness@eduhsd.net](mailto:amaginness@eduhsd.net)

## **Parents Logging into Canvas:**

1. Need Help Navigating Canvas? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BX-FdMX9Clw>
2. Step by Step Guide Here: <https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-2020>