



Vinemont High School

Orientation for Incoming 9th Grade Parents and Students

Agenda

- Welcome: Ferrell Runge, Principal
- Introduction of Staff Members: Ferrell Runge, Principal
- Presentation of clubs, sports, etc: Brandy Jett, Classroom Teacher
- Presentation of District Registration Handbook: Johnny Whaley, Counselor
- Parent/Student questions answered by staff members.
- Closing: Ferrell Runge, Principal
 - Parents and students may visit club tables before and after the presentations

Strategic Plan For Continuous Improvement

- **Mission:** Vinemont High School's mission is to prepare students to be college and career ready, while developing responsible citizens and productive members in a global society.
- **Vision:** Vinemont High School will provide every opportunity for students to realize their full potential by setting high expectations, providing a safe learning environment, and instilling the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for individual and community success.
- **Values:** **P**assion
Respect
Integrity
Discipline
Effort



Contact

- Administration/Office
 - Principal– Ferrell Runge
 - Assistant Principal– DeLan Trimble
 - Counselor– Johnny Whaley
 - Secretary– Mandy Preiss
- 9th Grade Core Teachers
 - English– Ms. Carmack
 - History– Coach Johnson
 - Math– Coach Brown
 - Science– Coach Norris
- Website www.vinemonthigh.com
- Phone (256) 734-0571

Expectations

- Be at the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing (Elton Hall).
- Attendance
 - Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school year, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. That's just two days a month, and that's known as chronic absence (Attendance Works, 2014).
- Be respectful, and have a positive attitude.
 - Follow school and class rules, listen and be considerate of others, participate in class, be prepared to learn, etc.

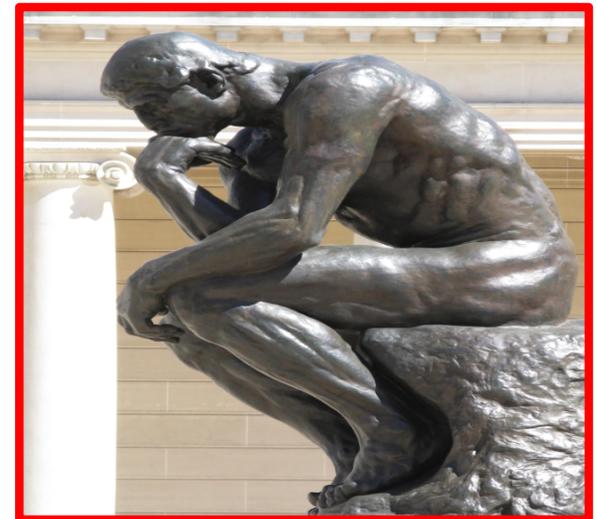
Get Involved!

- Parents, please encourage your child to become involved in
 - Academic Teams
 - Clubs
 - Class-Related Activities
 - Sports

**"Without involvement,
there is no commitment.
Mark it down, asterisk it,
circle it, underline it.
No involvement,
no commitment."
- Dr. Stephen Covey**

Scholars' Bowl – Mr. Bolzle

- You must be well versed in mathematics, English, history, science, and general knowledge.
- Grades 9-12 may participate.
- We have practice, and our top performers at practice will be the ones who play in the meets.
- We have meets at Wallace and play all of the county, city, and private schools in our area.
- We also participate in tournaments.



GEMS- Mrs. Bridges

- Each year the GEMS-U program brings over 150 girls from around the state together for the GEMS-U Expo. This event spotlights female role models, and hands-on learning experiences designed to actively engage girls in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) activities.
- Mrs. Bridges will pick 4-6 girls in her Honors Chemistry class to participate in this Expo. The GEMS-U team will research a science topic and design an experiment around the science topic. The team will have to put together a trifold board, PowerPoint, and/or a podcast to showcase the information they learned while completing the experiment. The GEMS-U team will present at the GEMS-U Expo. This event is usually held in late February or early March.



InSPIRESS – Mrs. Bridges

- The Innovative System Project for the Increased Recruitment of Emerging STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Students is an outreach project that provides the opportunity for high school students to develop and design a scientific payload to be accommodated on a spacecraft which is designed by undergraduate students in the UAH IPT project. High school students collaborate with the undergraduate engineering students to understand the engineering requirements, the design process, and the role a customer plays in design. InSPIRESS teams compete for selection by the undergraduate engineering teams.
- Vinemont High School InSPIRESS teams are in the 12th grade and enrolled in the Physics class. Students collaborate with other team members to design the payload and complete community involvement events to promote their project. This program requires math, science, and public speaking skills. This program is extremely laborious and students must be dedicated to perform well in the InSPIRESS program.



National Honor Society - Mrs. Bridges



- 10th-12th grade students only and voted on by a 5 member faculty council
- Must have a 3.5 GPA
- Induction in the Spring
- Service Project from this school year
- Project Frontlines
- Senior Scholarship
- Every Wednesday- Cullman Nursing Home
- Cards and Caroling at Cullman Nursing Home



Journalism/Yearbook – Mrs. Conquest and Coach Teichmiller

- Journalism is an elective that allows students to practice skills in public speaking and writing.
- Students also have the opportunity to utilize their creativity while editing videos.
- The yearbook will be created by members of this class. A couple of students from each grade will be selected to be on the yearbook staff. This staff will be selected by the teachers.
- This class is responsible for the *Eagle News Network* (school's news broadcast), the *Eagle PRIDE Newsletter* (school's monthly newsletter), and the yearbook.



The screenshot shows a newsletter page with a red border. At the top left, the title "The Eagle PRIDE Newsletter" is written in red. To the right is the Vinemont High School logo, which features an eagle with wings spread, perched on a shield with "HVS" and the year "1968". Below the title, a grey banner reads "Good Things Happening...". The main content area has a blue header with "OCTOBER 16, 2015" and "2ND EDITION". Below that, another blue header says "ANOTHER PINNACLE MOMENT". The main text, in red, describes the Vinemont Eagle Marching Band's success in two competitions. To the right, under the heading "The Eagles' Nest", is a student-written article about a football game. Below the article are two small photographs: one of a crowd celebrating and another of a football field.

The Eagle PRIDE Newsletter

Good Things Happening...

OCTOBER 16, 2015
2ND EDITION

ANOTHER PINNACLE MOMENT

The Vinemont Eagle Marching Band has competed in two competitions this fall, one in Oneonta and the second in Prattville, AL. Members of the band received the rating of All Superior in both competitions. Congratulations to the band

The Eagles' Nest

Student section created by VHS students. Students stood and cheered on their Eagles Friday night in the rain, against Holly Pond. Spirits were not dampened despite the monsoon that arrived half way through the 2nd quarter. Our Vinemont Eagle's Football Team went on to defeat the Broncos of Holly Pond with a score of 29-25. Drenched players, cheerleaders, and fans celebrated as the final seconds ticked off the clock.

Student Government Association (SGA) – Mrs. Conquest

- The Student Government Association is a representative structure for students, through which they can become involved in the affairs of the school, working in partnership with school management, staff and parents for the benefit of the school and its students.
- Activities include:
 - Assisting during Open House
 - Homecoming
 - Service Projects
 - Faculty Appreciation
 - Spring Fling
 - Assisting during Awards Day



Leo Club – Mrs. Norris

- Objective: To provide the youth of the world with an opportunity for development and contribution, individually and collectively, as responsible members of the local, national, and international community.
- Anyone can be a member of the Leo Club.
- The fee for a shirt is \$10.
- The Leo Club volunteers at home sporting events, the Cullman County Fair, the Cullman County Water Festival, and more.



Anchor Club – Mrs. Whittle

- Chartered January 2017
 - First in Cullman County
- Conduct volunteer projects with Pilot Club of Cullman
- Fee to join and get club shirt



Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) – Mrs. Whittle

- FCCLA is a national career and technical student organization that provides personal growth, leadership development, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education.
- Our mission is to promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences education. Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner and community leader, members develop skills for life through: character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career preparation.
- Fee to join



Future Farmers of America (FFA) – Mr. Heaton



- The National FFA Organization is an American youth organization, specifically a career and technical student organization, based on middle and high school classes that promote and support agricultural education.
- FFA was founded by a group of young farmers in 1928. Their mission was to prepare future generations for the challenges of feeding a growing population.
- Fee to join



Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) – Coach Johnson

- We meet every Wednesday at 7:30 in Coach Johnson's room for a positive message from the Word and a short message from students or guest speakers.
- You do not have to play sports to attend.
- Everyone is welcome to come (not just athletes).



Band – Mr. King

- **Junior High Band (7th & 8th)** 8th graders audition to be part of the Marching Eagle Band. Continued musical growth through daily instruction and performance is expected.
- **High School Band (9th-12th)**
 - Marching Eagle Band - The flagship musical Ensemble of Vinemont High School performs at football games, competes, and participates in annual parades. The Pep Band performs at basketball games.
 - Past TRIPs - Disney World, April 2016; Mardi Gras Mobile, February 2014, 2015, 2017
 - The Concert Band performs annual concerts in December, March, and May. They scored back to back superior ratings at MPA.
- **Auxiliary Groups: Majorette & Color Guard**
 - Auditions are for 8th-11th grade students in April. See Mr. King regarding auditions and instructional clinics.



Football- Coach Norris

- Spring Training April-May.
- You must have completed AHSAA and CCBOE paperwork (requirement for all sports).
- Estimated cost: \$250
 - Most football student-athletes are able to fundraise most, if not all, of this amount on their own, resulting in very little out of pocket cost.



Volleyball- Coach Lay

- Tryouts are held May 8-10..
 - You must attend 2 days of tryouts and camp.
- Requirements
 - 70 average to participate (state rule)
 - Be at summer workouts.(required)
 - Bill must be paid in full before season starts on August 1st
- Estimated cost (Necessities)
 - Some of the items listed can be reused each year.
 - Jersey, shorts, socks, knee pads, game day shirts, camp, and shoes. \$\$\$ undetermined.



Cheerleading- Mrs. Bridges

- Any girl in grades 9-12 can try out.
- You must have/maintain a 70 average, good attendance, and no discipline issues.
- Estimated cost: \$1,000
- Summer Practices- 2 days a week
- Summer Camp at a University
- Cheer to promote all high school sports



Boys Basketball- Coach Johnson

- 9th grade team, JV team, and Varsity team
- Sign up to receive paperwork at beginning of May.
- Spring Tryouts: Start May 17th
- Summer Workouts: Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-8 pm
- Cost of Spirit pack: \$110-120.00



Girls Basketball- Coach Lay

- Tryouts are May 11,12,15,16
- Summer workout program required.
- Must have current physical.



Track and Cross Country- Coach Harris

- Requirements
 - Commitment to training
 - Good Character
 - Maintain passing grades
- Estimated Cost- \$100 fee plus \$50 uniform
 - Fundraisers can offset this expense



Track and Cross Country- Coach Harris

List of Events

GIRLS

High Jump
Long Jump
Shot Put
Discus
Triple Jump
Pole Vault
Javelin*
100 m Dash
200 m Dash
100 m LH
300 m H
400 m Dash
800 m Run
1600 m Run
3200 m Run
4 x 100 m Relay
4 x 400 m Relay
4 x 800 m Relay

BOYS

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Fishing Team- Coach Kenneth Chambers

- Requirements
 - C average
 - Provide your own supplies
 - Follow tournament rules, including fishing license



Baseball– Coach Collins

Assistants– Coach Teichmiller and Coach Morgan

- Tryouts are at the end of the 1st semester.
- Students must comply with state and school regulations.
- Player Fee \$250
 - Fundraising can offset the cost.



Softball- Coach Brown

- Tryouts TBA
- Estimated cost:
\$150

