

Ana Avila Hernandez
STUDENT OF THE MONTH
Mountain View High School
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Senior

Mountain View High School is proud to recognize Ana Avila Hernandez as our November 2022 Student of the Month!

Ana was born in South Carolina but lived in Mexico from the time she was two years old until a year ago, when she left Mexico and came to California. Her family is from Oaxaca, Tlaxiaco, Mexico, where Ana learned to speak Spanish and Mixteco (a native language unrelated to Spanish spoken in the state of Oaxaca). Now, Ana's focus is learning English. Oaxaca, where she grew up, is full of culture and nature. She has always liked studying and has worked towards good grades. She always looks forward to learning new things and her favorite sport is soccer.

Ana currently lives with her two older brothers, whom she thanks for the support they have given her since she arrived in the United States. They are the whole family she has here, and they strengthen her emotionally and academically.

Ana's favorite class is ELD because it has helped her learn English. When she came to this country a year ago, she didn't know the language at all. When she entered Mountain View High School, all of the staff were very understanding and patient with her, which she really appreciates since coming to a new country, not knowing the language, and culture is really intimidating. Ana likes how MVHS has helped her feel welcome here because teachers and peers are very supportive and empathetic towards her, as well as other students. MVHS provides a welcoming space for newcomers.

Outside of school, Ana likes to spend time with her friends as well as stay home and watch movies like Top Gun and Maverick. She likes to listen to Spanish alternative rock music like Elefante. Ana also dedicates her spare time to work at Icon Theater and Walmart in customer service to help her family financially. Ana also likes to go to the park and take a walk or a bike ride.

Looking forward, Ana wants to finish high school and enroll in Foothill College to learn about aviation and one day, become a pilot. This is one of her greatest passions.

Congratulations Ana!