HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT













Freestyle Film Class

Los Altos High School









Mountain View High School



Ambassador Freshmen Lessons



Girls Golf



Constructing Meaning Training



Homecoming



SCCOE Teacher of the Year Celebration

Adult School













LAHS Volleyball





Trustees Vonnegut & Cornes at MVHS Hoco Parade

Teacher of the Year & Innovation in STEM Award Celebration







Student Advisory Council

The MSAC Council had their monthly meeting last week. They did a community builder where they discussed their most loved courses/teachers. There was a lot of admiration and positive energy in the room (as they would say, the VIBE CHECK was strong) as they shared their best experiences in MVLA Classrooms.

Consistent themes included teachers who were: Supportive, Personal Connection, Flexible, Student-Centered, Making class fun, and Passionate about the subject

The rest of the meeting was spent on clarifying and prioritizing the MSAC focus areas for the 2024-25 year. The following were selected:

Course Alignment - the need for better alignment or like courses in assessment and learning experiences.

Post-Secondary Pathways - Students desire more diverse CTE course offerings, particularly in the areas of humanities, business and health careers available at both schools.

Student Wellness - De-emphasizing academic pressure and reduce the hyper-competitive culture.

Outreach & Communication - Focus on building more awareness of resources through activities, a centralized hub and enhancing student-counselor connection.



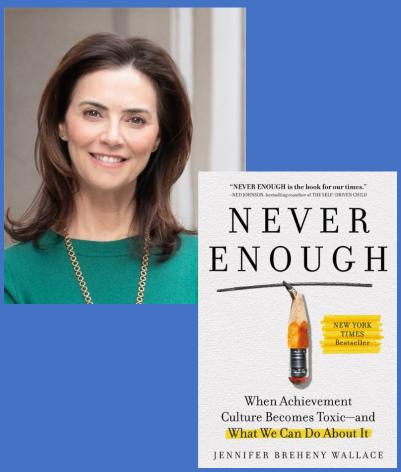
The Family Partnership Council held their first meeting on October 9, 2024. The meeting focused on key priorities and exploring growth areas to enhance student outcomes and family engagement across the district.

The following were identified as areas of focus:

- Sports/Extracurriculars and Academics
- AP Course Load
- Inclusion
- Equity and Diversity
- Course Alignment
- Parent Engagement

- Transparency and Budget
- Food Services
- Social Media
- Collaboration





NEXT UP:
Jennifer Wallace
Never Enough: Mattering as a Solution
to Toxic Achievement Pressure

Wednesday, October 30, 2024 | 7 PM Crittenden Middle School - Auditorium

In this eye-opening talk, Wallace investigates the deep roots of toxic achievement culture, explores its harmful impact on our kids, and delivers the powerful solution: mattering, the psychological concept of feeling like you add value and are valued regardless of your external achievements. Wallace provides a practical mattering framework that parents and educators can use to tackle achievement pressure at home and in the classroom.





NEXT UP: Ruth Whippman BoyMom: Exploring the Challenges of Raising Men in the Modern Age

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 | 7 PM Los Altos High School Eagle Theatre

With young men in the grip of a loneliness epidemic and dying by suicide at a rate of nearly four times their female peers, Whippman asks: How do we raise our sons to have a healthy sense of self without turning into privileged and entitled brats? How can we find a feminism that holds boys to a higher standard but still treats them with empahty? And what do we do when our boys won't cooperate with our plans?

Important Dates

MVLA Parent Education Speaker Series

- 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 19, 2024 Los Altos HS Eagle Theatre
 - Ruth Whippman "BoyMom: Exploring the Challenges of Raising Men in the Modern Age"
- 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 4, 2025 Mountain View HS Spartan Theater
 - Dashka Slater "Accountable: Dealing with Racism in Our Own Backyard"

MVLA Board of Trustees Meetings:

- 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 18, 2024
- 7:00 p.m., Monday, December 16, 2024 Organizational Meeting

District Calendar

- November 11, 2024 Veteran's Day Holiday No School
- November 25 29, 2024 Thanksgiving Day Holiday and Recess



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