

Osvaldo Valenzuela

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Los Altos High School

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This month, Los Altos High School is proud to honor Osvaldo Valenzuela as our February Student of the Month. He demonstrates what it means to be an eagle on and off campus through his academic achievements, leadership, and dedication to his community.

In the classroom, Osvaldo has demonstrated extraordinary academic excellence by excelling in his classes. He's taken 14 honors and APs at LAHS, which classes span across all subjects. Notably, some of Osvaldo's favorites are AP French, AP Chemistry, ASI, and Chamber Orchestra.

Beyond Academics, Osvaldo is a leader and role model within LAHS and the larger community. As the captain of hurdles for the LAHS track and field team, he exemplifies what it means to be a leader, guiding his teammates to success. His ability to foster teamwork and discipline has greatly contributed to the team's overall growth and morale. Additionally, he has taken a proactive approach in developing personalized meal and workout plans for over twenty athletes weekly, ensuring that his teammates receive guidance. Not only does he work to help others, but he's an accomplished athlete, in his sophomore year, he earned the 'Most Improved' award, and his junior year, last year, he received the 'Eagle Award'. His contributions to the track and field team highlight his ability to lead by example, demonstrating his athletic ability and mentorship.

Additionally, Osvaldo has a passion for language and culture, which is evident in his role as the co-president of the LAHS French Club. He works to create an inclusive environment that celebrates French culture and fosters a cross-cultural appreciation among LAHS students. He organizes bi-weekly meetings, planning off-campus activities, and introduces interactive activities that immerse students into French culture. His ability to combine education with hands-on learning experiences has strengthened the club's engagement and expanded the cultural awareness among his peers. His advocacy for cultural appreciation leaves a lasting impact on his school community, encouraging students to develop a broader perspective on the world. Notably, Osvaldo is trilingual, fluent in Spanish, French and English.

As a four-year coach, Osvaldo has dedicated 30+ weeks to leading engaging and structured activities to over 20 elementary school children. He has taken on a critical role in designing lesson plans that promote not only physical health but also social-emotional growth. In addition, his role as a camp cabin counselor for the past three years, further demonstrates his leadership and ability to create a positive, safe, and nurturing environment. His responsibilities include meal distribution, night routines, and conflict resolution, helping campers build independence and social skills while immersing themselves in the overnight camp experience. His unwavering dedication to youth mentorship showcases his commitment to shaping the next generation, reinforcing the importance of inclusivity, patience, and teamwork.

As Osvaldo graduates from LAHS this June, he plans on attending Stanford University to get his undergraduate degree in Chemical Engineering. We can't wait to see all that you achieve as you continue to grow and attend college. Congratulations Osvaldo, and on behalf of all of LAHS, thank you for all you've accomplished.