ADRIAN C. WILCOX HIGH SCHOOL

~ PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE ~

Wilcox Community,

Springtime is here and the spring semester is flying by. Graduation and the end of the school year will be here before we know it and there is still so much to accomplish. Student registration is almost complete meaning our incoming 9th grade students as well as our current 9th-11th grade students are finalizing their course selections for next year. Seniors are beginning to solidify their plans for next year. It is a great time to make an appointment with your student’s counselor to check in on your student’s plan.

Here are some highlights of events and information you should be aware of as the spring semester progresses:

Feedback
We are looking for your feedback and input. There are currently two opportunities for parents and community members to provide feedback to us. We encourage you to take part in both of these opportunities:

School Site Council/ Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)
The Wilcox SPSA is a plan of action to raise the academic performance of all students. Each year the School Site Council reviews the plan, gathers feedback from stakeholders and develops this plan. We look forward to hearing from you. Please visit our School Loop page for the link containing relevant data.

California School Parent Survey, 2016-2017
Your participation is voluntary. It is also very important. The information you provide will help guide district and school efforts to promote safety, enhance learning supports, and improve student achievement.

- This is an anonymous survey. It is designed so that no one can be identified from the data. You do not have to respond to any questions that you feel could be used to identify you. Simply skip any such questions.
- All questions apply to this school only.
- The results are for the use of your district. The California Department of Education and WestEd will preserve data confidentiality and refer any data requests to the district.
Survey Instructions
If you have more than one child at this school, you will only need to complete one survey for this school. Please fill out just one survey about the school using your oldest child as a reference. Access the login page for the survey using the following URLs:
   For English, click here:  http://surveys.wested.org/csps/MC742AX?lang=en
   For Spanish, click here: http://surveys.wested.org/csps/MG742AX?lang=es

Use the following school code and click the Take Survey button: School Code (case sensitive): **DN94VG**. **You will have access to this online survey between Monday 4/3 - Friday, 4/28.**

Crosswalk Update
SCUSD has been working with the City of Santa Clara on plans to increase pedestrian safety in front of both Santa Clara School and Wilcox High School. The final plans have been approved and work will begin later this spring.

For Wilcox High:
A new HAWK signal will be installed at the Glade and Meadowbrook intersections with Monroe. A full three way traffic light will be installed at Chromite. The existing flashing lights on Monroe will get relocated further away from the school.

The City staff is taking the plans to the City Council for approval on February 21st, 2017. Once the project is approved by the City Council, the City will advertise for bids for the project. The slated construction schedule is May 1 - July 31, 2017.

SBAC Testing
Testing will take place the week students return from Spring Break in April 18-21. Juniors will test all four days. Sophomores students will come on one testing day. These dates and room assignments are TBD. Check School Loop for testing updates and the bell schedule for that week.

AP Testing
The testing window is May 1-12. Check School Loop closer to the testing dates for more information about testing logistics for Wilcox. You can view the testing days at: http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/apc/public/exam/dates_fees/index.html

Summer School
Visit the counseling office to pick up an application to attend Summer School at Wilcox. General registration will end April 21, 2017. If you have questions about Summer School please contact your student’s counselor.

- Session 1: June 19- July 7 (No school July 3-4)
- Session 2: July 10- July 26

The following courses are offered during summer school for student who need to make up a D or F grade:
- Mathematics: Alg. 1, Geometry, Alg. 2
- English: 9-12, EL
- History: World History, US, Civic, Economics
- Science: Earth Science, Biology
- World Language: Spanish 1
- PE/Health (This course is open to all students based on space availability.)
Graduation
The graduation ceremony for the Class of 2017 will take place on our football field at 6pm Friday June 9, 2017. Caps and gowns have been delivered. If your student has not picked up their cap and gown, please send them to the ASB office to do so. Arrive early to ensure you are able to get into the stadium before the ceremony starts. The ONLY entrance available will be the large gate on the east side of the main gym (near Monroe). The Calabazas gates will be locked for this event. Limited parking is available in the main parking lot and theater parking lot. More parking is available in the surrounding neighborhood. Additionally, we would like to request that families not bring air horns to the graduation ceremony. Many times these horns go off while a student’s name is being read and families miss the opportunity to hear their student’s name. We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to a beautiful ceremony where we can recognize all of our Seniors on their outstanding accomplishment.

Go Chargers!
Kristin Gonzalez

Dear Wilcox community,

As I conclude my role as your PTSA President I look back on two fabulous years filled with great events and successful fundraising and volunteering. It has been a privilege and my pleasure to serve as your President and I thank each of you for your cooperation and contribution.

Please welcome your incoming president Colleen Yamada and the new Wilcox PTSA High School Board for 2017/2018. It is wonderful that so many parents have stepped up and I am very happy to report that we have an almost full slate.

Best regards,
Renate Harrison

Wilcox PTSA Board 2017-2018

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Communications Chair  
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* BOLD indicates elected positions 2017-2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: See the Wilcox website for most up to date information about activities and events.

- April 8, 8:00pm – 12:00am, The Tech Museum: Junior/ Senior “A Night at the Museum” Prom (see below)
- April 10 – 14: Spring Break - No School!
- April 18th – 21st: SBAC Testing
- April 24th thru 26th: Class Elections (see below)
- April 24th thru 27th: Dance Team Try-out Clinic (details later in this issue)
- April 28th: Dance Team Try-outs
- May 1st -12th: AP Testing
- **May 9th**: Teacher and Staff Appreciation Day – a Thank You means so much!
- **May 11th and May 12th**: Drama Production
- **May 14th and May 19th and 20th**: Drama Production
- **May 15th – May 19th**: Multi-Cause Week
- **May 19th**: Multi-Cultural Night
- **May 24th**: Music Concert, 7 pm
- **May 25th**: Fashion Show, 7 pm
- **May 29th**: Memorial Day – No School!
- **May 30th, 3:30pm, Theater**: Underclassmen Academic Award Presentation
- **May 31st, 7pm, Theater**: Senior Academic Awards Ceremony
- **June 2nd, Main Gym, Goodbye Rally** (see below)
- **June 3rd**: Senior Send-Off

June 5th – 9th: **Finals**

- **June 7th**: Chicano Commencement
- **June 9th, 6:00pm, Wilcox Football Stadium, Graduation**

**PROM**
The Prom will be held at the Tech Museum on Saturday, April 8th from 8:00p.m. – 12:00a.m. The theme this year is “A Night in the Museum”. Please remember to bring your bid ticket and school ID or Driver's License to the Prom that night in order to get in. Without these items you won't get in. Also, to those that are getting picked – up at the Tech Museum please let your family members know to be there at 12:00a.m.

**CLASS ELECTIONS**
Freshmen Class Elections on Monday, April 24th
Sophomore Class Elections on Tuesday, April 25th
Junior Class Elections on Wednesday, April 26th

If you are in one of these classes make sure you get involved with your school and class and sign –up when you here the morning announcements that students may come to the A.S.B Office and sign-up for Council. It's a great way to get involved and keep the spirit alive.

**MULTI – CAUSE WEEK**
On Friday, May 19th we will be having our Multi – Cultural Night at Wilcox High School in the main gym at 7:00p.m. This is when we will have different clubs participating in the multi-culture dances and displaying their talents from all around the world. During the week of May 15th – 19th we will be having Multi – Cause Week. We will be having fashion shows and on Friday, May19th we will be having our Multi-Cultural Assembly during school time in the main gym.

**GOODBYE RALLY**
The GoodBye Rally is on Friday, June 2nd. a two-hour rally full of laughter, tears, videos and music. This is where all the school comes together one last time to recognize our athletes, scholars, teachers who are retiring and to say good –bye to our seniors and wish them well! Don’t miss this wonderful rally!
I would like to thank the parents and students who attended my talk in October on College Financial Aid Planning. I hope you found it useful. It is now posted online at Schoolloop under Dads, Grads & Moms Boosters so you can either listen to it again or for the first time. I will probably be doing it again around the same time next year. If possible, do not wait until your student is a senior to attend this seminar, as the filing date for the FAFSA is the 1st of October of their senior year. For most of you, the earlier the better. It’s never too early to start planning.

The last fundraiser of the year will be the annual Lupus 5K Run, Sunday morning, June 11th, which we do the timing for. Watch your email for a call for volunteers. It is a very easy fundraiser for the club and is easy money.

If you have a student who plans to go on to college after leaving Wilcox, their first focus should be to work hard on getting the best education that Wilcox has to offer. As you know, the schools continually face continuing budget cuts from the state each year. This makes funding provided by DGM and other groups all that much more important. To ensure that their education stays at a highly effective level takes not only committed teachers and administrators, but committed parents too. As we are now almost three quarters of way through the school year, it is time to start lining up parents to serve on the board for Dads, Grads & Moms for the 2017-2018 school year. For this organization to survive and continue with the large amount of financial support to the school, we will need some new parents participating who are committed to providing as much support as possible to keep Wilcox at the top of the scale of excellence. Our meetings are only once a month (Wednesdays) during the school year and most meetings are fairly short. Please contact me via email (see below) if you want additional information about what is involved in serving on the board.

Lastly, seniors, be sure to check out the career center for the scholarship applications for the DGM scholarships, or the Mary Shaddle scholarship. Eligibility is listed in the instructions and they are due back by April 17th. You can also access these on the Schoolloop website under Parent/Community. Graduation is not far off.

Marc Lund, DGM President,
marc@marclundcpa.com
wilcox.dgm.boosters@gmail.com
Plans for Senior Sendoff are well underway... and we’d like to say

to our wonderful sponsors so far:

PF Chang’s
Elements Therapeutic Massage
Starbucks
Trader Joes
Philz Coffee
Chipotle
Santa Clara Kiwanis Club
Realty World
CSEA Santa Clara Chapter
Santa Clara Host Lions Club
Soroptimist International of Santa Clara Silicon Valley
Master Precision Machining Inc.
Goodwill of Silicon Valley
Santa Clara Art & Wine Festival

Thank You!!
WE ARE LOOKING FOR FRESHMAN, SOPHOMORE AND JUNIOR PARENTS TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE SENIOR SEND-OFF EVENT.

**When:** Saturday, June 3rd, 2016

**Where:** Wilcox High School

**Time:** 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

**What:** Help with games, food serving and security

Your child will graduate soon, and when they do, you will also need volunteers for their Senior Send-Off event. So why not pay it forward? We could really use your help! Please contact Shelly Aggarwal at dsaggarwal4@gmail.com. Thanks!
Adrian C. Wilcox High PTSA

Wilcox High School Senior Send Off 2017 Ticket Order Form

Tickets are $20 per student. To purchase a ticket, complete this form and return it with your payment of $20, cash or check (Make checks payable to “Wilcox PTSA”). If you paid online via the Wilcox website, then return this form - no additional payment is needed. Tickets will be distributed in May. To be eligible for the Go-Pro Drawing, purchase your ticket by the May 1, 2017 deadline. *Tickets are non-refundable.*

Return your completed form with your payment to Anna Thompson in the Wilcox Main Office or mail it to: “Senior Send Off 2017”, 926 Lorne Way, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Complete the following: (please print clearly)

| Student’s Name: ___________________________ | Student ID#: ____________________________ |
| Student’s Email: __________________________ |
| Parents’/Guardian(s) Names: __________________________ |
| Parents’/Guardian’s Email: __________________________ |
| Home Mailing Address: __________________________ |
| Home Phone: __________________________ | Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: __________________________ |
| Payment Type (check one) | □ Cash | □ Check #: __________________________ | □ Online Paypal/Credit Card |
| (Include your Senior’s name and “Senior Send Off” on your check)

**WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT**

I/We the parent(s)/guardian(s) of _____________________________, a student at Adrian C. Wilcox High School, hereby grant permission for the aforementioned student to participate in the Senior Send Off 2017 at Adrian C. Wilcox High School in Santa Clara on June 3 2017 beginning at 9:00pm and ending at 1:00am on June 4, 2017. I/We further agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Santa Clara Unified School District, its Board of Trustees, officers, agents and employees; the California Congress of PTA; the Adrian C. Wilcox High PTSA, their officers, employees, and agents; and the Adrian C. Wilcox High Senior Send Off 2017 Committee, its members and volunteers individually and collectively from and against all costs, losses, claims, demands, suits, actions, payments, and judgments, including legal and attorney fees, arising from personal or bodily injuries, property damage or otherwise, regardless of and however caused, brought, or recovered against any of the above that may arise for any reason from or during or be alleged to be caused by the undersigned’s participation in the Senior Send Off 2017.

I/We further understand that any student possessing liquor or drugs, involved in a disruption or in any way presenting a danger to themselves or others, will be subject to removal from the premises and other appropriate action when necessary.

IT IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD THAT SENIOR SEND OFF 2017 IS NOT A SANTA CLARA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNCTION.

Signed __________________________
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

Print Name __________________________ | Date __________________________

*Only Wilcox seniors with this completed waiver on file will be admitted to Senior Send Off 2017.* Participation in the activity by any District employee is on the employee’s own time and not as a representative of the Santa Clara Unified School District. The Santa Clara Unified School District is not liable for events occurring as a result of this activity.

**PTSA Use**

Date received: __________
Amount received: __________
☐ Cash
☐ Paypal/Credit Card (online)
☐ Check #: __________
Seniors, join us for the big celebration!

Saturday, June 3, 2017
9pm-1am
@ Wilcox High School

- Dance Party in the quad with a live DJ
- Live Hypnotist Performance
- Giant Obstacle Course and other inflatables, Big Screen Wii, & “Minute to Win-it” Games
- Magic all nite with our roving Magician
- Tacos, Pizza, Chocolate Fountain, & Food Galore
- Puppy Petting Zoo
- GoPro Drawing* and other great Prizes & Giveaways

*To enter the GoPro Giveaway, tickets must be purchased May 1, 2017!

Tickets are $20 per student. We accept cash, check, or pay online on our website below. Order forms are available in the Main Office, ASB Office or download it from the Wilcox Website under Community/Senior Send Off @ https://wilcox.schoolloop.com/wilcoxsendoff

Questions? Visit the above website or email us at: Wilcoxsendoff@gmail.com

Senior Send Off 2017 is in lieu of Grad Nite and is sponsored by the Adrian C. Wilcox High PTSA. This is not a school or district-sponsored activity. Tickets will not be sold at the door and are non-refundable.
2016-2017 PTSA HONORARY SERVICE AWARDS!
Nomination deadline April 14, 2017

It’s always time to honor individuals and organizations for outstanding contributions to youth and community.

Consider nominating any student, teacher, volunteer or administrator who has provided outstanding service to our youth or community. Nominees do not need to be PTSA members, and all nominations will be considered. The Wilcox High School PTSA Honorary Service Award Selection Committee will make final award decisions.

The Honorary Service Award is given to individuals by the PTSA in recognition of outstanding service to children and youth. The HSA Program includes the following:

- **Very Special Person (VSP)** may be given to recognize an individual or group.
- **Honorary Service (HSA)** may be given to an individual or organization in special recognition of outstanding service to children and youth.
- **Continuing Service (CSA)** may be given to an individual or organization in special recognition of continued service to children and youth, and may or may not have received a California State PTA Honorary Service Award.
- **Outstanding Teacher (OTA)** may be given to recognize a teacher for outstanding service to children and youth.
- **Outstanding Administrator (OAA)** may be given to recognize an administrator for outstanding service to children and youth.
- **Golden Oak (GOSA)** is the most prestigious PTA award in California. This award may be given to an individual or organization that has made significant contributions to the welfare of children and youth in the school or community.

A person may receive more than one of any of these awards.

Funds contributed to the HSA Program provide resources for the California Scholarship and Grant Program. The Wilcox PTSA also contributes thirty dollars for each recipient to the Honorary Service Award Fund to the California Congress of Parents and Teachers. This revolving fund makes loans to deserving students in different fields of education beyond high school.

Submit the form online. (To access a hard copy of the form, go to the Wilcox High School Website>Community>PTSA>Honorary Service.) **Deadline to nominate is April 14, 2017.**

Please direct any questions to the Honorary Service Awards Chair: Lyja Levas; lyja.levas@gmail.com
BE A HOST!

We are looking for host families for two Italian Exchange Students (boy and girl) for next school year (2017-2018).

Miriam is 17 years old, and is studying Mandarin Chinese. She likes photography, listening to music, and cooking. She lives in the countryside of Italy near Mandria with her parents, older brother and a cat. Gabriele is 16 years old. He likes to play the guitar and ukulele. Gabriele has a sunny disposition and loves sports, especially windsurfing and climbing.

Host Families Provide

- A bed and storage (students can share a bedroom with another child of similar age and gender)
- Meals (students can make and pack their own lunch)
- Transportation to school, if needed (students can bike to school)
- An opportunity for a foreign student to experience family life in America.

In Return, Host Families Get To

- Experience another culture
- Build a relationship with a "daughter" that can last a life time
- Promote positive international relations
- Claim $50 per month tax deductions

If you would like to be a host, here is how.
Call Janine Cate at 408-505-2353, and begin a host application at: https://www.flag-intl.org/forms/view.php?id=12251 For more information go to https://flag-intl.org/index.html

UPGRADE YOUR WARDROBE!

Don’t you wish you had a Wilcox spirit shirt to wear for all occasions? Now you can do it, and at an affordable price -- while making a contribution to the PTSA and the many programs it supports! Please email renatehar@comcast.net to place your order. Show your Charger Spirit!
Want to keep track of your child’s classes, talk to teachers and other parents, and learn about school events? Here’s how!

School Loop is a website designed to help you keep track of your child’s classes and assignments, communicate with your child’s teachers, and participate in your school community. You can only access your child’s class information and receive daily emails about assignments if you are registered.

To register, go to http://wilcox.schoolloop.com
Click the Register Now button (upper left)
Select Parent Registration

Complete all information requested. You will need to know your child’s 6-digit Student ID number. Parent registrations must be verified by the webmaster, teacher or administrator. Any of your child’s teachers may approve your registration.

After the registration has been approved, parents will receive a daily email that includes the student’s assignments, progress reports, and school news published for parents. Once logged in, parents can add additional children to their account by clicking on the Add Student link from the Toolbox at the top right of their Portal Page.

If after registering you have log-in issues, please contact Janet Armstrong at jarmstrong@scusd.net. Sign up for School Loop today!

Yahoo! Groups

Wilcox families, if you have questions about the school, activities, procedures, experiences that other parents may be able to answer, we invite you to join the Wilcox Parents Yahoo Group. This group is also used to provide information to and from parents, including announcements of upcoming events, etc.

The Wilcox Yahoo Group is not sponsored or administered by the PTSA or the Wilcox High School staff. It is solely a parent-driven forum. To join, please send an email to: wilcox_parents-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

For questions or additional information, please contact Lillian Kwiatkowski at lgkwiat@gmail.com.
Santa Clara Unified is very grateful to have a partnership with the community-based Sports Basement. The Sports Basement Marketing Department has opened their doors by allowing Santa Clara Unified School District’s many schools/sports groups/interest groups to host meetings in their store (with free refreshments) and helping with fundraising efforts (shopping nights) during these tough budgetary times. On any given day when you go in and make a purchase just mention Santa Clara Unified School District at the register to receive 10% off your purchase and 5% goes back to help fund the Santa Clara Unified’s AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Project. An AED is the only device that will reset your heart if you are experiencing a Sudden Cardiac Arrest. There are AEDs (69) at every school site in the district as well as AEDs that travel with athletic teams to away competitions. The AED Project is strictly funded on donations and grants. Thank you for your support!

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Love Amazon? Want to support our school? You can help your PTSA when you buy something on Amazon.com. They will donate 0.5% of your purchases to us. Please make sure to choose Adrian C. Wilcox High PTSA as your Amazon Smile charity. Go to https://smile.amazon.com. Remember, only purchases at smile.amazon.com (not www.amazon.com, or the mobile app) go towards the school. Thank you!
**WILCOX DANCE TEAM TRYOUTS!**
**APRIL 24$^{TH}$ - 28$^{TH}$, THEATRE BLACK BOX**

All parents must attend **one mandatory parent meeting** on either April 19th, 20th, or 25th at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria (choose one). Please contact Laura Akin if you have any questions at lauraakin@sbcglobal.net. We hope to see you there!
After a busy, productive and fun filled year its time again for tryouts. If you are interested in joining the team please come to our tryout clinic from April 24th through the 27th to prepare for tryouts on Friday the 28th. The clinic and tryouts are in the black box located in the theater from 3:00 until 4:30 with tryouts lasting until 6:00. We are also providing an informative parent meeting (choose one) April 19, 20 or 25 in the Wilcox cafeteria at 7:00 pm. Learn what the team is about and the tryout process.

Our current team has four seniors, four juniors, five sophomores and two freshmen. This team works very hard to provide high quality entertainment for their school and community. Our team is led by a wonderful group of dedicated members who not only provide leadership but are excellent students and kind-hearted friends. Alyssa Barkin, Captain, Brittany Hart, President, Dosya Conley, Director, Ashley Cole, Junior Executive, Caroline Kloes, Vice President and Pooja Solanki and Julianna Martinez, Fundraising. The entire team has grown as dancers, performers and as people this year. If you have questions please contact advisor/coach Laura Akin at lauraakin@sbcglobal.net
Enter National PTA's #ThankATeacher Contest!

During April 3-17, enter the #ThankATeacher Contest and WIN up to $4,500 in products and other prizes. It’s easy to do!

1. Post a photo or video on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram on how teachers deliver for the students in your school and use #ThankATeacher.
2. Fill out our entry form at PTA.org/ThankATeacher.

Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors Google Express and Harper Collins, we will award over $20,000 in prizes for teachers across the country during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Go to PTA.org/ThankATeacher for more info, including a list of prizes and contest rules. Remember to enter the contest by April 17!

Want to keep saying "thank you" to the teachers in your life? We also created a Teacher Appreciation Week Toolkit for schools, PTAs and families, which features:

- Thank-you cards
- Posters
- Certificates of appreciation
- Facebook and Twitter cover images
- Sample tweets

Thank you for joining us as we celebrate our incredible teachers!