



GUNN'S WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE

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Dear Titan Community,

With the second semester under way, we are gearing up for course registration. The 2018-2019 [course catalog](#) is located on the Gunn website. The web version will always offer the most current information. We will continue to provide updates regarding registration over the next couple of weeks.

Course Registration (all grades)

The registration window for the 2018-2019 school year will be open February 5th - February 16th. Please reach out to current teachers if you have questions regarding which courses to register for next year. Remember, students will now select their own math, science and English courses. Your current teachers and guidance counselor are a wealth of information in helping you develop a balanced schedule for the upcoming school year.

Wellness Center Update (all grades)

Our Titan Upstander PSA Contest has launched! The Wellness Center is hosting a PSA contest for Gunn students to create their own video on sexual harassment prevention and healthy relational behaviors. Students are encouraged to submit their self-made PSA to bring awareness to fellow students for a chance to win free prom tickets! For more information students can check Schoology, visit the Wellness Center, or reach out to the Wellness Outreach Worker Lauren Rocha at LRocha@pausd.org.

SELF Update (9th grade)

This week, most cohorts will still be rotating through individual check-ins (accompanied in many classrooms by an SEL-related movie and popcorn) or counselor visits associated with the course selection process for next year. Some cohorts will be moving ahead though to the next School-Connect lesson, focused on Active Listening. In this lesson, students experience what it feels like to not be listened to, and, conversely, how meaningful it is to have someone actively listen when you really just need to be heard.

Titan Pride Week: "We're All in This Together" (all grades)

Titan Pride Week is a new, student-led effort dedicated to appreciating Gunn's diversity and inclusivity. This new version of a longstanding Gunn tradition (formerly named Not In Our Schools Week) is designed to bring awareness to the importance of mental health, recognize

the positive relationships in our lives, and encourage the fostering of new relationships and connections within the Titan community. Titan Pride will be present on our campus throughout the week of January 29th-February 2nd, through brunch and lunch activities put on by SEC, Sources of Strength, and many other clubs; many teachers will also be incorporating themes of wellness, diversity and inclusion into special lessons designed to accompany the activities and themes for each day. And, get ready to bring all your Titan Pride on Friday by wearing red and black!

Sources of Strength (all grades)

This month's Sources of Strength wedge is Healthy Activities. Student leaders met Thursday to make New Year's resolutions around promoting Healthy Activities among their friends and family. Student Leaders and Adult Advisors continue to work on their projects for second semester, including the "I Am Stronger" campaign and Titan Pride Week, January 29 - February 2, 2018.

The next meeting for Peer Leaders and Adult Advisors is Tuesday, January 23 during Flex in the staff lounge.

If you are interested in finding out more about Sources of Strength, please visit the national website at www.sourcesofstrength.org or follow the Gunn Sources of Strength Instagram account @gunnsourcesofstrength.

AP Testing (all grades)

AP Exam registration is now available. Early registration ends February 28 and late registration continues until March 26. You may visit www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/052347 to register for AP Exams. Please see the flyer on the main Gunn web page for more information. For questions, please contact Mr. Jack Ballard (jballard@pausd.org).

College and Career Corner (11th and 12th grade)

Gunn Foundation: Need-Based Scholarships for the Class of 2018

Application deadline: Tuesday, March 6, 2018, presently accepting applications

The Gunn Foundation, launched in 1968, raises funds to provide need-based scholarships to Gunn High School seniors. Last year, we awarded \$78,000 in scholarships to 29 students, many of whom are first-generation college students who have overcome significant personal and financial challenges to pursue further education. Visit us at www.gunnfound.org to find out if your student is eligible for this need-based scholarship or to make a donation in support of our students. Contact Sunita Verma at tedbucklin@gmail.com with questions. The application is available at <http://gunnfound.org/application/>

JUNIORS: Semester two means that those of you who have not yet set your appointment to meet with Mrs. Kirsch should do so. You are part of a large class and we need to have all of you booked in in the next few months. Please look at your new schedule and talk with parents then forward that to ghscollegeandcareercenter@gmail.com. Mala will make phone contact to coordinate calendars and firm up the date and time for this meeting.

Seniors: Your early replies are coming in. Please let Mr. Lang know what the results were by sending a quick [e-mail](#). This gives us a general idea of how things worked out in the early pool.

Save the Date

- Jan 27th: Young **Women's Leadership Summit** at Stanford (Oak Lounge, Tressider) from 8:30-3:30. swibsummit2018@gmail.com Sign ups limited.
- Jan 27: 9-11:45 **US Service Academies**, admissions process and requirements for *West Point, Air Force, Naval, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine*. Marines Memorial Club 609 Sutter St, SF. Register at USCGA.edu/serviceacademy workshop.
- Jan 31: **Summer Opportunities Night** in the library at 7 PM-- there will be grab and go information and a small collection of booths.
- Feb 7: **ELAC** meeting at Gunn at 6PM in K-4. Meeting for all parents/guardians of English language learners.
- Feb 22: "**Out of State Public College Info Night**" will be held at Paly at 7 PM in the Media Arts building Atrium. Info on how to save money and why this is a real option.
- Mar 3: **GAP Fair** in Los Altos 12 to 3 at Los Altos High
- Apr 28: *College Fair* at the Cow Palace from 1:30-4:30
- May 3: *College Fair* at West Valley. all day and closes at 8.

Please Support PiE

Thank you to all that have supported Partners in Education (PiE). The donations to PiE continue to support many programs at Gunn, including our guidance department. Your donations have made a difference for all students at Gunn.

Thanks for your support!

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