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Talon Talk

Foothill High School Newsletter

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Fall Play: Twelve Angry Jurors

Enjoy a captivating stage play right on campus when Foothill's annual fall play opens [Wednesday, Nov. 2](#).

The play will be performed nightly through [Saturday, Nov. 5](#). Each performance starts at 7 p.m. in the multipurpose room. Tickets are \$5. Tickets will be sold on campus at lunch and after school and at the door.

Twelve Angry Jurors is the gripping tale of how a dozen widely different people interact and clash when locked behind doors to determine the fate of a 19-year-old murder suspect.

Bounce for Foothill

Foothill's school booster group, the AABC, is hosting a rollicking fun fundraiser [Wednesday, Nov. 9](#) from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Rockin' Jump, 5875 Arnold Road, in Dublin.

The fundraiser at the valley's premier indoor trampoline center is a great way to kick off the four-day weekend. Admission is a mere \$15 for a full two hours of big air and big laughs. Foothill will get 33 percent of every ticket purchased.



All students must have their Foothill ID card and a [signed](#)

Quick Calendar

Nov. 1 -- Deadline to submit senior yearbook ads

Nov. 2-5 -- Fall play: *Twelve Angry Jurors*, 7 p.m., MPR

Nov. 2 -- Discount sports physicals, 6-7 p.m., Tri-Valley Orthopedics

Nov. 2 -- School boosters (AABC) meeting, 7 p.m., library

Nov. 3 & 4 -- Class rings, cap/gown & grad announcement orders, lunch, outdoor quad

Nov. 3 -- Grad Night & senior events meeting, 7 p.m., library

Nov. 3 -- Deadline: Senior yearbook pictures

Nov. 6 -- Daylight-saving time ends. Set clocks back 1 hour.

Nov. 8 -- UC application lab, 2:45 p.m., B-1

Nov. 10 -- **No school.** Staff development day.

Nov. 10 -- Foothill vs. Amador football

[Rockin' Jump waiver](#) to attend this event. This event is not sponsored by the school district. Jumpers participate at their own risk.

Students are encouraged to RSVP through the [AABC's Facebook event page](#) so that we'll know how many students to expect.

Discount Sports Physicals

Athletes can get sports physicals for the discounted fee of \$35 on [Wednesday, Nov. 2](#) at Tri-Valley Orthopedic Specialists, 4626 Willow Road, in Pleasanton.

Physicals are given on a first-come, first-served basis from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. No appointment necessary. This is a drop-in clinic. Click [here for more info](#).

Click [here for the sports physical form](#) students must take with them when they get their exams.

College Application Workshops

Seniors are encouraged to attend upcoming college application workshops to get hands-on help in filling out applications for both the University of California and California State University systems.

The UC workshop will be [Tuesday, Nov. 8](#), and a combined UC/CSU workshop will be [Tuesday, Nov. 15](#). Each workshop will be held from 2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. in room B-1.

Students must sign up in advance for workshops. A sign-up clipboard is located in the counseling office.

Students will get help from counselors in filling out applications. Students should complete their applications before the workshop, but do not submit them. Students should bring their transcripts with them.

game,

Nov. 11 -- No school.
Veterans Day.

Nov. 14 -- Athletic
boosters meeting. 7
p.m., C-6

Nov. 15 -- UC/CSU
application workshop,
2:45 p.m., B-1

Nov. 18 -- Friday
Forum for parents, 9
a.m., C-6

Nov. 21-25 -- No
school. Thanksgiving
break.

Quick Links

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PSAT Results

Students who took the PSAT/NMSQT on campus on Oct. 15 will get those results delivered to school in late November. Please watch the Talon Talk and website for the date when test results will be available in the counseling office.

The printed test results will include a code students and parents may use to register online for personalized feedback, practice and college planning. Click [here to review the PSAT website](#).

School Booster News

Foothill Gains Big Bucks

Foothill sold the most tickets to the annual *Bon Appetit: Toasts & Tastes of Fall* fundraising event, garnering a cool \$200 for the school booster group, the [Academic & Activities Booster Club \(AABC\)](#). The event is a fundraiser for the Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation.

The booster group gained another \$1,780 for hosting the popular practice SAT/ACT exams on campus in early October. The exams are administered by a private firms, which donates 100 percent of the exam fee to the AABC.

The AABC is the only schoolwide booster group (similar to a PTA) that supports all students and teachers by funding much-needed programs and supplies.

It's always a good time to make a tax-deductible donation to the AABC. Click [here to make a secure online donation](#).

School Booster Meeting

Be sure to mark your calendars for the next AABC meeting on **Wednesday, Nov. 2** at 7 p.m. in the library.

We'll discuss teacher wish lists (items teachers would like the

[Form](#)

[MyNutriKids Lunch Program](#)

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[ACT Test Dates](#)

Tennis Champions

Congratulations to Foothill's varsity girls tennis team for winning the league championship.

Click [here for more info about the league title and a complete list of team athletes.](#)

AABC to fund) and upcoming fundraising events. Attending AABC meetings is a great way for parents to get involved at Foothill.

Senior News

There's a lot to keep up with senior year, so parents and students are encouraged to check out the Foothill website regularly for the latest senior news and events. Go to the [Foothill website](#) and click on "Senior Information" (on the left side of page) to find out what's going on and coming up.

Senior Yearbook Ads: Deadline is TODAY

Parents can honor their graduating seniors with a personalized quarter-page ad to run in the 2012 Foothill yearbook.

Senior ads are a time-honored tradition at Foothill. Parents can gush about how proud they are of their graduating seniors. You can even embarrass seniors with baby photos (nude on a bearskin rug is always good) or maybe a shot from those awkward middle school years. Parents create the ads online, so you get to do pretty much what you want -- within the limits of good taste.

Click [here for more info about how to submit and pay for senior ads online.](#) **Deadline to submit ads is today -- Tuesday, Nov. 1.**

Private & Out-of-State College Forms Due Today

All private and out-of-state college forms that are due to colleges mid-November must be turned in to counselors today -- **Tuesday, Nov. 1** -- in order to meet college application deadlines.

Senior Photos

Seniors must have their photos taken no later than **Thursday, Nov. 3** to be included in the yearbook.

Photos must be taken at Pro Image Studios in Dublin. The studio will provide the outfit needed for senior yearbook photos. There is a minimal charge for having a yearbook photo taken.

Click [here for the Pro Image website](#) or call 803-8200 to schedule a photo appointment.

Grad Night & Senior Events Meeting

Graduation may seem like a long time from now, but it will be here before we know it. That's why our fabulous Grad Night and senior events committee will meet on [Thursday, Nov. 3](#) at 7 p.m. in the library. It's never too early to start planning for the exciting graduation events.

All senior parents are encouraged to attend Grad Night meetings to share ideas and sign up for key volunteer positions. We have plenty of volunteer jobs to go around.

Grad Night Tickets

It's never too soon to buy a Grad Night ticket for the biggest graduation party of the year -- Grad Night 2012.

Grad Night is a safe and sober way for Foothill graduates to celebrate in a secure location. This year's event will be at Umigo Indoor Kart Racing in Livermore. Tickets are \$165 for this all-night party.

Click [here for more info and the forms you'll need to buy tickets](#).

Senior Quotes

Seniors may submit a special quote to be published under their photo in the yearbook. There is no fee for senior quotes. Quotes must be appropriate. Anything that is offensive, obscene or joking will not be used. Seniors will not get a second chance to submit quotes if their first quotes are not acceptable.

Click [here to submit your quotes online](#). The deadline to submit quotes is [Nov. 14](#).

Grad Announcement & Cap/Gown Orders

Orders for graduation announcements and caps/gowns are due on [Thursday, Nov. 3](#) and [Friday, Nov. 4](#). Students were given order packets last week.

Click [here to place your orders online](#). The deadline for online orders is [Friday, Nov. 4](#).

NOTE: Be sure to add 8.75 percent sales tax to all orders including tax on the handling fee.

Memory Collage Workshops

Workshops will be held on campus [Jan. 31](#) and [Feb. 21](#) to

help parents who want to make memory collages for their graduating seniors.

The workshops are a great way to get help with making collages, share ideas with other parents and work together in a fun atmosphere.

Memory collages are optional, but a long-standing tradition many Foothill families enjoy. Click [here for details about memory collages](#).

Career Center News

College Visits on Campus

Foothill's career center is hosting several upcoming on-campus visits from prestigious colleges. Colleges visiting campus include Mills College, Nov. 1; Ohio State, Nov. 2; University of San Francisco, Nov. 3; Holy Names, Nov. 7 and University of Nevada, Reno, Nov. 16.

The best way to keep track of college visits is to check the calendar on the Career Center page of Foothill's website. Click [here to go directly to the calendar page](#). Check the calendar regularly. It is updated often as new college visits are scheduled.

Science, Math & Technology Program for Girls

Girls interested in science, math and/or technology are encouraged to join GetSet -- Girls Exploring Technology, Science and Engineering Together.

GetSet offers six hands-on, interactive workshops through the school year highlighting careers in science, math, engineering and technology. GetSet members also go on field trips, including at least one college visit.

A student and parent orientation for GetSet will be held **Thursday, Nov. 3** at 7 p.m. at Fallon Middle School in Dublin. Click [here for details](#).

Air Force & Army ROTC Info Sessions

Students interested in the Air Force are invited to an information session **Thursday, Nov. 3** in the career center during lunch. Sgt. Brooks will discuss careers in the Air Force and answer questions.

Students interested in the Army ROTC are invited to attend

an information session [Tuesday, Nov. 15](#) in the career center during fourth period.

Students must visit the career center (in the front office) to sign up in advance for this meeting. Students must have approval from fourth-period teachers to attend the ROTC session.

Career Assessment Program

Students may visit an online website to get an assessment of careers that may interest them. Click [here to go to the career assessment page](#). The site ID number is 0008239 and the password is falcon.

The assessment program helps students identify careers and majors that correspond with their interests. Students can get in-depth info on jobs and careers and search for programs and colleges that offer the training/education needed. The program helps students research colleges and narrow down your list based on personal interests.

Class Rings

It's time for students to order class rings.

Representatives from Jostens, the company that sells class rings, will be on campus [Thursday, Nov. 3](#) and [Friday, Nov. 4](#) to take orders. Representatives will be in the outdoor lunch area. Sophomores got order packets last week. All other students may pick up order packets in the front office.

Class rings are available for sophomores and juniors to buy, though seniors can also make last-minute class ring purchases.

Click [here for Foothill's class ring page on the Jostens website](#). Students can design rings online and even place orders online.

Basketball Coach Honored

Foothill's varsity girls basketball head coach, Terri McMorrow, is being inducted into St. Joseph's University's Athletics Hall of Fame.

McMorrow, also a Foothill parent, was on the 1984-85 women's basketball team that earned the university its first

NCAA tournament bid. St. Joseph's is a Division 1 school in Philadelphia.

"I am quite humbled by the honor," McMorrow said. "I had an unbelievable experience as a student athlete at St. Joe's. It is an award I share wholeheartedly with my coaches and teammates."

McMorrow attended the university on full scholarship for both her undergraduate and graduate studies.

"I am truly fortunate that my college education was made possible by basketball," McMorrow said. "It afforded me a rare opportunity to travel and meet some amazing people. The true reason I coach today stems from a strong desire to give back and make a positive impact on our next generation of female basketball players."

Congratulations, Coach McMorrow!

Cheer Camp for Kids

Foothill's nationally-ranked competition cheerleaders and coaches are hosting a mini cheer camp for kids [Saturday, Dec. 3](#) from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the small gym. The camp is open to students in kindergarten through sixth grade.

Students will learn new moves, dances and cheers. The fee of \$50 covers the class, lunch, a certificate and T-shirt. Students who register by Nov. 1 will get a \$5 discount.

Click [here for a flier with more information](#).

Click [here for the registration and medical release form](#) that must be completed and turned in with your payment.

Please help us spread the word to elementary students and sixth-graders.

American Indian Students

Students of American Indian descent are encouraged to register with the Livermore American Indian Center.

The center, the only one of its type in this area, offers support services such as tutoring, culture classes, field trips,

summer day camp, scholarships and more.

Students with even a small amount of Indian heritage, depending on the tribe, may register with the center.

Please contact center director Mary Puthoff at mputhoff@lvjUSD.k12.ca.us for more info or to register.

Volunteer: Sign Up Online

Foothill's new online volunteer registration system is up and running. We encourage parents to sign up early for any events that interest them. Many events take place in the evening, so it's a great way for working parents to get involved with the school.

The volunteer lists are part of the main e-mail system used to deliver the Talon Talk. You may access the lists either by clicking on "Update Profile/Email Address" at the bottom of this e-mail or by clicking on the "Sign Up to Volunteer" link on the [volunteer page on the Foothill website](#).

Once you gain access to the system, you'll see a full list of targeted e-mails to which you may subscribe. You'll want to make sure you're subscribed to the Talon Talk. Your next step is to choose your kids' graduation years to get e-mails targeted to specific classes. This is especially important during senior year.

The final step is to take a look at the many volunteer opportunities and choose the ones that best suit your talents and interests. You'll be notified by e-mail when we need help.

Once you've checked all the boxes, click on "Save" to save your news preferences. You can access the system at any time to update your preferences. If you no longer want to get e-mails for a particular list, just uncheck that box and save your changes.

Please note that choosing Unsubscribe on the list page or at the bottom of any e-mail will remove you from ALL Foothill communications, including the Talon Talk. If you want to get fewer e-mails, just update your communications profile so fewer boxes are checked.

Renew Safeway Club Cards

If you've registered your Safeway Club card through eScrip, it may be time to renew your registration. It needs to be done once a year.

Click [here to go directly to the eScrip website](#). Once you have signed in, you'll see a renewal check box like the image here. Simply click on that box to renew your Safeway Club card. If you do not see the red check mark, that means your card has been renewed.



If you do not renew, your Safeway purchases will no longer benefit the school. Nearly 70 percent of registered Foothill families will have their Safeway card benefits expire if not renewed by today -- [Tuesday, Nov. 1](#).

MTV on Campus

MTV representatives will be on campus [Wednesday, Nov. 9](#) to interview students who'd like to be on the MTV reality show MADE.

MTV representatives will be on campus during lunch and after school. They'll be in the conference room just north of the front office.

MADE is a reality show in which MTV finds experts to make a student's dream come true, such as turning a proverbial ugly duckling into a beauty queen or helping an overweight teen get slim. Goals must be attainable within six to eight weeks. Students should be specific about their goals. Vague goals, such as wanting to be a star, are not acceptable.

The application for the TV show states that goals should be attainable with the help of MTV-provided experts within the next five months.

Click [here for the casting questionnaire](#) for the show. Students must have a completed questionnaire, including a parent's signature, in order to speak to MTV representatives.

Deadlines for Talon Talk article submissions are the 10th and 22nd of each month. Please include all pertinent info -- who, what, where, when, why and, if applicable, how much does it cost.

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you the 1st and 15th of each month by the Foothill Academic & Activities Booster Club in cooperation with school administration.

Go Falcons!

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