

From: Foothill High School <foothillnews@me.com>
Subject: Talon Talk: May 15, 2010
Date: May 14, 2010 4:26:30 PM PDT
To: foothillnews@me.com
Reply-To: foothillnews@me.com

Have trouble viewing this e-mail? [Click here](#)

Talon Talk

Foothill High School Newsletter

John Dwyer, principal

May 15, 2010
Office Phone 461-6600
Attendance Line 461-6686

Join Our Mailing List!

In This Issue

At-a-Glance Calendar
Quick Links
* Student Spotlight
* School Calendar Set
* Eat at Panda Express
* Final Friday Forum
* Lend a Hand
* Pick Up Meds
* Library Needs Books & Monitors
* Yearbooks in June
* Juniors: Summer Community Service
* Homework Survey
* Teacher Appreciation
* Senior News NEW INFO
Save the Arts

New "In This Issue" items (above) are marked with asterisks.

Quick Calendar

May 19 -- Juniors: Summer community service info meeting,

Friday Forum for Parents

You won't want to miss the last Friday Forum of this school year as we gather for an informal discussion of what's going on and coming up at Foothill.

We will discuss these important topics at Friday's meeting:

- Budget update
- Graduation
- Homework survey
- [WASC accreditation](#)

Friday Forums are a great way to hear what's going on at Foothill while you also share your thoughts and ideas about how to improve our school. In these tough fiscal times, the school needs more parent support than ever.

The forums are hosted by Principal John Dwyer and the three vice principals. The morning get-togethers start with a brief update from Mr. Dwyer before the floor is opened for parent feedback.

This month's Friday Forum will be [May 21](#) at 9 a.m. in room C-6, just east of the library. Forums last about an hour.

Thank you to the [AABC parent group](#) for providing light snacks and coffee.

12:30 p.m., room C-6

May 19 -- Panda Express choir fundraiser, 4-8 p.m. Click [here for flier](#).

May 21 -- Friday Forum for parents, 9 a.m., room C-6

May 22 -- Senior ball photos, 4-6 p.m., small gym

May 22 -- Senior Ball, 8-midnight, San Francisco

May 23 -- After-the-ball breakfast, 12:30-3 a.m., MPR

May 25 & 26 -- Sidewalk geometry on campus

May 26 -- Seniors: Sign up for Grad Night buses during lunch, front office

May 26 -- Powderpuff game: Junior girls vs. senior girls, 6 p.m., football field

May 27 -- Deadline: Senior memory board collages

May 27 -- Senior awards night, 6:30 p.m., MPR

May 28-June 1 -- **No school.** Memorial Day and furlough days.

June 2 -- School site council meeting, 3:30 p.m., room C-6

Lend a Hand: Volunteers & Donations Needed

Foothill needs lots of parents -- *senior and non-senior* -- to lend a helping hand with graduation activities. In addition, we need parents of next year's seniors to sign up to help make 2011 senior events fun and successful.

We encourage parents in all grade levels to help with senior and graduation activities. While these events are organized by senior parents, they often times cannot volunteer to run them because they are spectators as their students take part.

Please [click here for a complete list](#) of how we can use your help, whether it be through volunteer time or with donations.

Thank you for your wonderful support!

Pick Up Meds & Medical Supplies

If your student has any medications or medical supplies in the health office, these items must be picked up by a parent or other designated adult before the last day of school on **Friday, June 11**.

Students will not be allowed to take home their medications. A parent or other adult must do this.

Any medication left after the last day of school will be taken to the district office for safe disposal.

Medical Forms for Next Year

New forms must be turned in each school year to allow students to have medications or medical supplies on campus.

Click [here for more information](#) about these regulations and to download the medication forms.

Questions? Contact health clerk Chris Faubion at cfaubion@pleasanton.k12.ca.us.

June 3 -- Senior yearbooks delivered
June 4 -- Yearbooks delivered
June 4 -- Student car show at lunch

Quick Links

[Foothill High web site:](#)

[Bulletin Board](#)
[Events Calendar](#)

-
[Bell Schedule](#)

-
[Foothill Athletics](#)

-
[Foothill Band](#)

-
[District Calendar](#)

-
[District Newsletter](#)

-
[Career Center](#)

-
[Community Events](#)

-
[Sports Physical Release Form](#)

-
[Volunteer Clearance Form](#)

-
[MyNutriKids Lunch Program](#)

-
[Scholarships](#)

-
[Senior Activities](#)

-
[SAT Test Dates](#)

-
[ACT Test Dates](#)

[Student Spotlight](#)

Library Needs Books & Monitors

Deadline Looms for Library Book Returns

All heck will break loose if students do not get Foothill library books turned in before the end of school.

If you have long overdue books, you must turn them in ASAP. You may hold onto books you're still using, but please turn them in the moment you are done with them.

Seniors: Your diploma will be held until you turn in any overdue books or pay outstanding fines.

Non-Seniors: Your schedules and transcripts will be withheld until you turn in overdue books or pay fines.

Students and parents have been pretty darned good about heeding our previous calls to turn in wayward books. However, we still have a whopping 54 students with books more than a month overdue.

EVERYTHING must be turned in before the last day of school on [Friday, June 11](#).

Library Needs Flat-Screen Monitors

If you have some old flat-screen monitors that you no longer need, the folks at the Foothill library would be tickled pink to take them off your hands.

The library is desperately in need of 17-inch or larger flat-screen monitors in good working condition to replace bulky CRT monitors, otherwise known as electronic paperweights.

If you'd like to donate monitors, contact Daniel Bradford at dbradford@pleasanton.k12.ca.us or Julie Minor at jminor@pleasanton.k12.ca.us.

Yearbooks Arrive in Early June

The yearbooks are coming! The yearbooks are coming!

Get your Sharpies ready, folks, because the much-anticipated 2010 edition of the Foothill yearbook is just around the corner.

Seniors will get a sneak peak when they get their yearbooks on [Thursday, June 3](#). The rest of the students get their

DECA students made Foothill history with their top rankings at the group's international event.

Click [here for the full story](#) on the Foothill web site.

Two Foothill students were honored in a congressional art contest. Click [here for the full story](#).

Calendar Set

The calendar for the 2010-11 school year has finally been set.

Click [here for all the details](#) on the Foothill web site.

Dine with the Panda

Foothill's choirs will host a fundraising dinner at Panda Express on **Wednesday, May 19** from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Click [here to print](#)

yearbooks the following day -- **Friday, June 4**. Students will get their yearbooks during English classes, at the teacher's discretion.

Extra yearbooks will be sold for \$85 **cash only** starting after school **Friday, June 4** in room D-19. Sales will continue through **June 10** before and after school in room D-19. This is also when and where students who did not get their yearbooks during English may pick them up. Yearbooks will not be available during lunch.

Note from Yearbook Adviser

The yearbook is the end-product of a class at Foothill. This year's book is truly outstanding, and as the adviser, I am especially proud of it. I am equally proud of the hard work and time my students put into it all year long, trying their best to provide the Foothill community with the best yearbook to date.

Like any class, the students are bound to occasionally make mistakes. Please keep in mind that the students did try their very best. If there is a problem or concern, please contact Lindsay Franco at lfranco@pleasanton.k12.ca.us. Please do not contact the students or interrupt class time to resolve yearbook concerns. We hope you will enjoy the book, which showcases the creativity and originality of our talented yearbook staff. -- *Lindsay Franco*

Juniors: Get Community Service Hours This Summer

Juniors who are interested in getting their required senior year community service hours out of the way this summer should meet **Wednesday, May 19** during lunch in room C-6.

All seniors are required to complete at least 20 hours of community service by the time they finish their senior-year civics class.

Click [here to print the flier](#) you must present to the cashier to ensure that Foothill's choirs get a full 20 percent of your purchase price.

This offer is good at the Pleasanton location only -- 4001 Santa Rita Road in the Rose Pavilion.

Students do not have to wait until the start of their senior year to start accruing community service hours. The clock starts ticking the moment junior year ends, so next year's seniors can conceivably get all their community service work done during the summer.

Learn how at this informational meeting led by teacher James Clark.

Senior year is a busy time. Plan ahead and lighten your schedule by doing some or all of your community service in the summer.

Homework Survey

The Pleasanton school district wants to know what you and your students think about the amount of homework they have and its relevancy to what is being studied in class.

Students are encouraged to complete the survey once. Parents may complete one survey for each child enrolled in the Pleasanton schools.

Click [here for the middle and high school **student** survey](#).

Click [here for the middle and high school **parent** survey](#).

Teacher Appreciation

Several of Foothill's outstanding teachers and staff have been honored recently by various community groups. Here's a list of the awards of which we are aware.

Excellence in Education

This honor is given by the [Pleasanton PTA Council](#) based on nominations by students, parents and colleagues.

Foothill teachers honored are Jeremy Detamore, history, economics and civics team; Shay Galletti, regional occupation; Maria Primeau, Spanish; Tami Raaker, regional occupation and DECA adviser; and Jacque Barker, career counselor.

Make a Difference Awards

Teachers and staff who work within the Tri-Valley Special Education Plan Local Area ([SELPA](#)) are recognized for their outstanding dedication to students.

Foothill staff honored are teacher Kelly Sandler and para-educator Susan Valencia. The awards are given by families in recognition of outstanding service to special needs students.

Crystal Apple Awards

Students nominate teachers who have had a positive impact on their education and lives in these awards given by the local Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

This year's Foothill honorees are Zach Lipman, history, and Greg Haubner, economics.

Congratulations to all of these teachers for the recognition they so rightfully deserve!

Senior News

Grad Night Tickets

The deadline to buy Grad Night tickets is rapidly approaching. Students can get tickets for \$185 each through [June 1](#).

The price includes admission to the party, all activity fees and bus transportation (required) to and from City Beach in Fremont.

Nobody will be left out. If tickets are too pricey for you, see Mrs. Shanker in the counseling office to ask about scholarship aid.

Click [here for the Foothill web site page with Grad Night info and details](#). Scroll to the bottom of that page to find the three forms that must be filled out before seniors can buy tickets.

NEW! Check the [Grad Night page](#) for a list of activities students will enjoy that evening, such as rock climbing, mechanical bull and robo-surfing. Click [here for the City Beach web site](#) to see what this awesome facility is all about.

Be sure to check the list posted on the office window to see who has already bought tickets.

Questions? Contact Patty Haykin at 998-0056 or

phaykin@aol.com.

Seniors: Sign Up for Grad Night Buses

Seniors must sign up for Grad Night buses on [Wednesday, May 26](#) during lunch. Bus sign-up sheets will be posted near the front office. All seniors must sign up to ensure that everyone has a seat.

After-the-Ball Breakfast: Help & Donations Needed

This year's Senior Ball is scheduled for [Saturday, May 22](#). In keeping with tradition, senior parents plan and provide a safe and sober celebration at the after-the-ball senior breakfast from 12:30 a.m. to 3 a.m.

We need plenty of volunteers and donations, both cash and food, to make this special event a success. Everything is funded and staffed by senior parents, so we really need everyone to step up to the plate and do their fair share.

Please mail donations to Julie Battershell at 6322 Corte Esperanza, Pleasanton 94566. Checks should be made to FHS Senior Class 2010. Include your name, address and telephone number if you would like a receipt.

If you can volunteer your valuable time or donate food, please drop a note to Julie at jbattershell@comcast.net. She'll let you know how you can help.

In these tough times, every little bit helps. Don't assume that other people will do all the work or make the donations. Please help as much as you can!

Scholarships

Seniors should check the Foothill web site regularly for up-to-date scholarship information. Scholarship info is posted in the counseling section of the web site. Look for the counseling link on the left side of the home page, and then click on "Scholarship Information." Click [here to go directly to the scholarship page](#).

Gift Card Donations Needed

We need lots and lots of gift cards to use as student prizes on Grad Night. We're looking for gift cards ranging from \$10 to \$25 for popular student hangouts, such as Starbucks, Jamba Juice, In-n-Out, Target, Walmart, nail salons and more.

Gift card donations may be dropped in the Grad Night box in the front office. Be sure to write the amount on the gift card. Include your contact information if you'd like a tax receipt for your donation.

Don't let those unused gift cards go to waste. Donate them to support Foothill's safe and sober Grad Night celebration.

Final Grad Night & Senior Events Meeting

The final Grad Night and senior events meeting will be held [Monday, June 7](#) at 7 p.m. in the library. All committee members are encouraged to be on hand for this final meeting.

Senior Quilts

Wrap your graduating senior in wonderful memories of their Foothill years with a quilt made from their own collection of T-shirts. All parents have to do is gather favorite shirts, turn in an order form and local quilters will do all the work. Prices vary depending on the size you order.

The Foothill Athletic Boosters will get a \$25 donation for every quilt ordered.

Click [here for the information sheet and order form](#).

Graduation Keepsakes

Len Conrad School Photography will offer a wide array of photographs and other keepsakes for your Foothill graduate.

Click [here for more details](#) and pricing.

Save the Arts

Mark your calendars for art and musical extravaganzas on [Friday, May 21](#) and [Saturday, May 22](#) to help save music and arts in Pleasanton schools.

The benefit, dubbed *Celebrate*, will include an art show Friday evening, followed by five separate musical performances on Saturday to raise money for music and arts in the schools.

Tickets are not required, but a donation of \$15 per adult and \$10 per student is greatly encouraged. Donations are suggested for each separate performance.

A gala featuring student art will be held [Friday, May 21](#) from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore. All of the art on display will be for sale.

Musical performances start at 9 a.m. [Saturday, May 22](#) and continue until 6:30 p.m. Click [here for the schedule of school groups that will perform](#). You may print the form to order tickets or [order online at the Bankhead Theater web site](#).

The fundraiser is hosted by the Pleasanton Schools Educational Enrichment Foundation (PSEE). Click [here for more info about PSEE and the Celebrate benefit](#).

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.

Talon Talk is a twice monthly online publication brought to you the 1st and 15th of each month by the Foothill Activities & Academics Booster Club in cooperation with school administration.

Go Falcons!

Zoe Francis
Talon Talk editor

foothillnews@me.com

[Forward email](#)



This email was sent to foothillnews@me.com by foothillnews@me.com.
[Update Profile/Email Address](#) | Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Privacy Policy](#).

Email Marketing by



Foothill High School | 4375 Foothill Road | Pleasanton | CA | 94588



THIS IS A TEST EMAIL ONLY.

This email was sent by the author for the sole purpose of testing a draft message. If you believe you have received the message in error, please contact the author by replying to this message. Constant Contact takes reports of abuse very seriously. If you wish to report abuse, please forward this message to abuse@constantcontact.com.