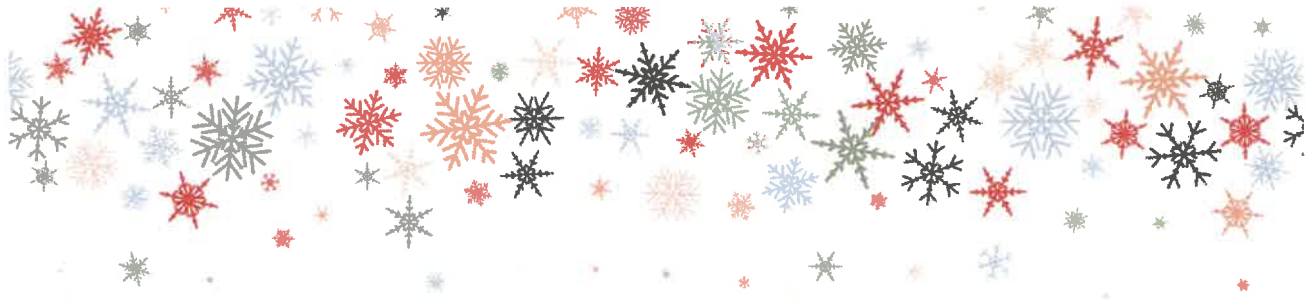


# January Newsletter

Krystal Graham • an hour ago • Wednesday, Jan 8 at 2:34 PM • Hidden Valley High School



# January 2025

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NEWSLETTER



Dear Mustang Community,

As we turn the page on the calendar and step into 2025, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible year we had in 2024. This past year has been nothing short of amazing, thanks to our dedicated staff, hardworking students, and the unwavering support of our community. Hidden Valley High School continues to shine as a place where excellence is not just a goal but a standard.

First and foremost, I want to celebrate our students. Their achievements, both inside and outside the classroom, have been truly inspiring. From academic milestones to athletic triumphs, artistic performances, and community service projects, our students have demonstrated resilience, determination, and Mustang pride. Each success story is a testament to their hard work and the support they receive from their families and teachers.

Speaking of our staff, I couldn't be prouder of the incredible team we have here at Hidden Valley. Their dedication to fostering a positive and inclusive learning environment is unmatched. Whether it's through innovative lesson planning, extra hours spent mentoring students, or cheering on our athletes at games, their commitment to our students' success is evident every day. They are the heart of our school, and their efforts do not go unnoticed.

To our community, thank you for being the backbone of Mustang Nation. Your support at events, your engagement in our programs, and your partnership in education make all the difference. Together, we've created a vibrant and thriving school environment that truly feels like a family.

The holiday season provided a much-needed opportunity to recharge and reflect on the many blessings we share. As we gear up to finish the semester strong—with work, projects, and assessments wrapping up by January 23—I encourage everyone to stay focused and give their best effort. Let's make these final weeks of Semester 1 as impactful as possible. Then, as we start fresh with new classes on January 27, we'll carry forward the momentum to make 2025 a year of continued growth and success.

January also marks the heart of our league seasons in basketball, wrestling, swimming, cheer, equestrian, and bowling. These sports offer wonderful opportunities to come together and show our Mustang PWR. Let's fill the stands and root for our competitors as they represent Hidden Valley with passion and skill. Additionally, we're excited about the upcoming Academic Masters Competition on February 28 at 6:30 PM at the Grants Pass Performing Arts Center. This event will showcase the exceptional talent and knowledge of our students.

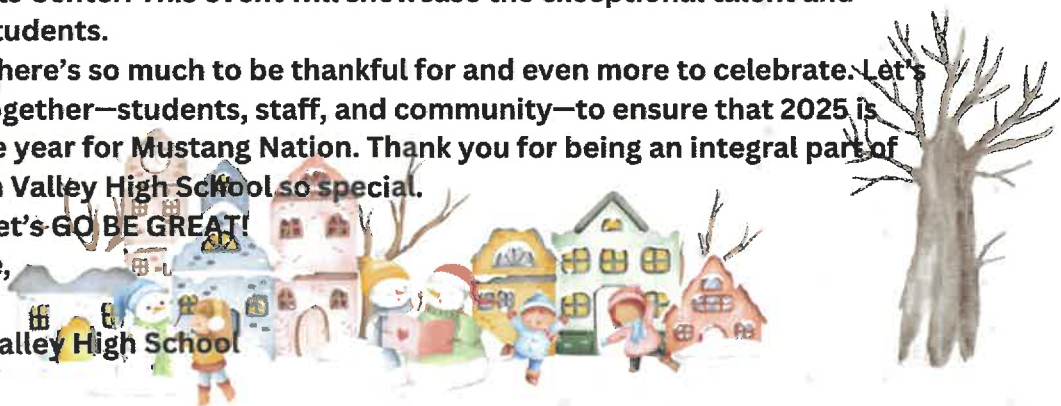
As we look ahead, there's so much to be thankful for and even more to celebrate. Let's continue to work together—students, staff, and community—to ensure that 2025 is another remarkable year for Mustang Nation. Thank you for being an integral part of what makes Hidden Valley High School so special.

Go Mustangs, and let's GO BE GREAT!

With Mustang Pride,

Damian Crowson

Principal, Hidden Valley High School







## Costa Rica Summer Immersion ~ High School Exchange Program

Immerse yourself in the culture and the language, build friendships and create amazing memories by living in Costa Rica this summer with a host family!

Attend an **ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION** to learn more and ask questions !

- Tuesday, Jan 14 that 6pm PST
- Saturday Jan 18 that 10am PST
- Thursday Jan 30 that 6pm PST

Link to meeting: [bit.ly/ORCRmeeting](https://bit.ly/ORCRmeeting)

Meeting passcode: ORCR

### Program Details

- 8 week immersion: mid June - mid August 2025, stay with 2 host families
- Attend high school with a host sibling (no enrollment, so no homework or grades!)
- Accompanied by an adult, Spanish-speaking chaperone from Oregon, that you will get to know well

### Program Costs

- \$30 application fee
- \$3,100 program (includes airfare)
- Need-based scholarships available


### Participant Requirements

- High School Sophomore/Junior/Senior standing
- Completion of at least Spanish 2 prior to travel
- Host a tico (Costa Rican student) before or after travel for 4 weeks in Dec/Jan (or find a family to host in your place)
- Attend orientation sessions, each month (location TBD)
  - February 22 Get-To-Know-You Orientation
  - March 9 Student Interviews
  - April 12 & 13, 12pm, Sat-Sunday, Overnight Orientation
  - May 10, Presentation Orientation
  - June 1, Final Orientation \*Caregiver Required to attend

Apply online at [www.partnersorcr.com](http://www.partnersorcr.com)

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