

# THE TILLER NEWS

T-TOWN'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER, PRODUCED BY STAFF AND STUDENTS



## BRIEF HAPPENINGS

### AP EXAMS

It's that time of the year again: AP testing! Many of our Tillers have spent this week taking AP Exams that measure how well they have processed the information and knowledge they have gained throughout the school year. Students who attain a passing score of 3, 4 or 5 may even earn college credit! Testing will continue though next week. Good luck, Tillers!

### SENIOR EVENTS

Senior events have officially arrived! The end of the year is quickly approaching which means Seniors are beginning to celebrate their impending graduation with PROM tonight! The theme is the **Roaring 20's** and will take place at the Arroyo Trabuco Canyon Country Club. Up next: Awards of Excellence on Thursday, May 16th, followed closely by Senior Reflections on Saturday, May 18th!

## FEATURED ARTICLES



### STUDENT POLL WORKER PROGRAM

By Drew Simpson, on behalf of the History/Social Science Department

As we prepare for more opportunities to engage in our electoral process, too young to vote, but old enough to participate in the election process describes Vivian Hoang, a 17-year-old THS senior. Vivian first heard of the Student Poll Worker Program in her American Government class. Driven by an interest in government, she applied for the program and was accepted. After completing training, she was prepared for Election Day, November 6, 2018. She arrived at the Columbus Square Clubhouse in Tustin at 6:00 AM to help set up and await eager voters. "After we processed our first voter, I was delighted by the fact that I had just witnessed the American democratic process in action and was able to be a part of that process..." Soon, Vivian will be eligible to participate in another aspect of the electoral process: voting.

"When you've worked hard, and done well, and walked through the doorway of opportunity, you do not slam it shut behind you. You reach back and you give other folks the same chances that helped you succeed."  
- Michelle Obama

### THE AVID ATTITUDE

By Joanna Vandal, AVID Department Instructional Coach



Congratulations to our AVID Department Award recipients! These students display the AVID Attitude on a daily basis in and out of the classroom. Their GRIT, positive energy, and desire to challenge themselves makes them true role models for all students! The award recipients are: Anyah Smith (Senior medallion recipient), Vanessa Ortiz (junior recipient), Michelle Pacheco (sophomore recipient) and Brianna Gonzalez (freshman recipient). We are very proud of you! On May 18th, we will celebrate all AVID students during our year end recognition ceremony in the Sports Pavilion. We are so proud of the Class of 2019 as they head off to college with over 3 MILLION DOLLARS in scholarships and grants! We are looking forward to meeting our incoming 9th graders and working with current THS AVID students who are joining the program and those who are continuing with us next year!

### HELLO, GOODBYE

By Sarah Markley, Activities Co-Director



It's that time again! Our last, and some would say favorite, assembly of the year is almost upon us. The Hello, Goodbye Assembly is a special time for our Tustin Tiller graduates as well as our staff. Soon, we will be announcing auditions for student performers for this amazing assembly, so pay attention to the **daily bulletin** for announcements!

## SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

On May 2nd, students from the Tiller Class of 2019 were recognized for their achievements at the annual Senior Scholarship Breakfast ceremony hosted by the THS Counseling staff. 60 students were presented by community members and THS Staff with over \$300,000 in well-earned scholarship awards, and 3 students with full-rides to the schools of their choice. Scholarships vary from regional and national scholarships like the Girls Inc. National Scholar and the Bill Gates Millennium Scholarship, to Tustin Community Scholarships from organizations like the Enderle Center, Tustin Kiwanis, and Tustin Historical Society, to scholarships sponsored by our very own Tustin Public Schools Foundation (TPSF). Congratulations to all of our incredible Tillers and good luck with your future endeavors!

To view photos of the event and it's recipients, please visit the Tustin High School website under "Counseling" and the "**Something Good Corner**".

# THE COUNSELORS' CHAT

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ABOUT CURRENT HAPPENINGS IN COUNSELING, BROUGHT TO YOU BY YOUR THS COUNSELORS



## 20 days until school ends!

Counselors will continue to be an integral part of your students' support at school. The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of events, deadlines, tips, and information that support students' college & career readiness.

Not sure who your counselor is? See the directory below:

## COLLEGE VISITS:

FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
CHECK **NAVIANCE** AND RSVP.

A- CORONA	AMY BLEDSOE	ABLEDSOE@TUSTIN.K12.CA.US
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## THIS WEEK'S UP-DATES

### CLASS OF 2019

**5 days left before Senior Finals:** Make it count. Turn in your work. Study for your exams. Let's finish the year strong!

**Requesting Final Transcripts:** Please make sure that you order your final transcript! See Mrs. Garcia in the front office to pick up a request form. You may also request it via Parchment. Click [HERE](#) to submit a request via Parchment. Deadline is May 21st.

**Cap and Gown Pick up:** If you have still not picked up your cap and gown, please do so at the student store during snack and lunch. Do not wait until the last minute. Students who still have yet to purchase may do so for \$30 (cash only). You can also rent a cap and gown from the student store at no cost.

**UC Admissions:** Have you been admitted to a UC? There are a few steps that you need to take to matriculate. Please click [HERE](#) for info.

### CLASS OF 2020

**Summer Suggestions:** Wondering what to do for a productive summer? If you're not taking summer school or other courses, there are other ways to spend your time to prepare for your future. Take an ROP class to explore your career interests. Start working on your personal insight questions or your personal statement. Study for your SAT or ACT exam. These are all important steps to be prepared for Senior year and your future.

### CLASS OF 2019, 2020, & 2021

**AP Testing- May 6-May 17:** Students and parents should have received an email regarding reporting times and test dates for students who have successfully registered for AP exams. Students must report to their assigned testing locations by the indicated reporting time. Students must bring a student ID, blue or black ink pen, #2 pencil, and an approved calculator if taking an AP math or science exam. Cell phones will NOT be allowed in the testing room.

### CLASS OF 2023

**Registration:** Registration has been completed at all the middle schools. If your student has not submitted a form for course selection because you are still waiting on transfer approvals, please contact the counseling office when you receive confirmation of your transfer approval. Thank you for your patience as we work to ensure that all students are provided an excellent academic schedule for the 19-20 school year!

*We look forward to having the  
class of 2023!*

**Did you miss 8th grade Parent Night?** Click [HERE](#) to view answers to frequently asked questions.

#### Important Dates:

**Freshmen Registration: Fri, August 2, 2019**

- Drop in with your completed forms
- 8am-9am: athletes & band members
- 9am-12pm: all other freshmen

**Freshmen Orientation: Tue, August 6, 2019**

- 8am-12pm: THS Sports Pavilion
- Fun Student-Only Event: Make friends, take a tour, play games, & have fun!

### ALL CLASSES

#### 2019-20 School Year Registration Dates

**Tuesday, July 30th:** 12th Grade  
**Wednesday, July 31st:** 11th Grade  
**Thursday, August 1st:** 10th Grade  
**Friday, August 2nd:** 9th Grade  
**Tuesday, August 6th:** 9th Grade Orientation  
**Tuesday, August 13th:** 1st Day of School

**Tutorials:** Counselors will be assigning tutorials based off of the progress reports. Tutorials are mandatory until the end of the quarter. If there are errors, or you have questions about your tutorial, please see your counselor. Students are to attend every mandatory tutorial. Absence from any tutorial will be considered a cut.

**Summer School is 6/3/2019 - 07/05/2019 at Tustin High School:**

Have a D or an F you need to make up? Are you behind in credits? See your counselor!

Want to take Pre-Cal during summer school? Please talk to your math teacher.

Summer school registration will be completely online this year. Students eligible for summer school due to credit recovery or remediation will be assigned summer school through Aeries by their counselor. Parents will receive an email to click "confirm" for summer school in order to reserve their child's spot. Only students who have confirmed spots for summer school will be attending this year. There will be no walk-in's accepted during summer school sessions.

**Titan Tutors:** Tustin High has partnered with Cal State Fullerton's Titan Tutors program to provide the Tillers with FREE tutoring services every Monday through Thursday from 2:45pm to 4:15pm. The tutors are able to offer support in most subjects, but their focus will be English and Math, so drop in to rooms 412 and 415 if you need assistant! We are here for YOU!

#### College and Career Readiness:

[9th Grade CCR Link](#) | [10th Grade CCR Link](#)  
[11th Grade CCR Link](#) | [12th Grade CCR Link](#)



## "SOMETHING GOOD"

### College Decision Day

Class of 2019

