

Student Binder Reminder 2026-2027

Home of the Pumas

"Puma Strong"

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San Ramon, California 94583
Telephone: 925-479-7700

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CITY/TOWN _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE _____

STUDENT NUMBER _____

LOCKER NUMBER _____ COMBINATION _____ - _____ - _____ SERIAL NUMBER _____

A Big, Warm Welcome to the Pine Valley Family for the 2026-2027 School Year!

Dear Pine Valley Families,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year at Pine Valley Middle School! As your Principal, it is my privilege to lead a community so resolutely dedicated to maintaining a supportive and inclusive environment for all students. We take great pride in our commitment to academic excellence and in cultivating an atmosphere where every learner is empowered to succeed.

Our collective efforts were recently celebrated with the 2026 Distinguished School Recognition. This honor reflects our high academic achievements and significant strides in closing the achievement gap—a success made possible by our students' diligence, our staff's passion, and the steadfast support of our parents.

Heading into this new year, we remain dedicated to our mission of student empowerment. Our staff continues to prioritize innovative teaching and robust social-emotional support to ensure each student feels inspired and respected. We look forward to the community building and academic growth ahead and value your ongoing partnership in your child's education.

Best always,

Principal Kontilis

PTA President: Priscilla Chan

Pine Valley Education Fund President: Lauren Shimek

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Mission Statement

PINE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Pine Valley exists to
embrace, empower and
educate life long learners.**

PUMA STRONG

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The Governing Board of the San Ramon Valley Unified School District has three policies regarding nondiscrimination and student conduct. They are reprinted here for your information, as they directly pertain to Pine Valley Middle School policies.

NONDISCRIMINATION IN DISTRICT PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

BP 0140(a)

The Governing Board is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination based on gender, race, color, religion, age, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group, marital or parental status, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or any other unlawful consideration. The Board shall promote programs which ensure that discriminatory practices are eliminated in all district activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students, parents/guardians, employees, and employee organizations about the district's policy on nondiscrimination and related uniform complaint procedures. Policy adopted: January 17, 1995 Policy revised: March 18, 2003

BP 5131

STUDENTS: CONDUCT

A positive learning environment free from disruptions. Students shall be expected to exhibit appropriate conduct that does not infringe upon the rights of others or interfere with the school program while on school grounds, going to or coming from school, attending school activities, or using district transportation.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each school develops standards of conduct and discipline consistent with Board policies and administrative regulations. Students and parents/guardians shall be notified of district and school rules related to conduct.

CONDUCT

Prohibited student conduct includes, but is not limited to:

1. Conduct that endangers students, staff, or others, including, but not limited to, physical violence, possession of a firearm or other weapon, and terrorist threats
2. Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying of students or staff, including sexual harassment, hate-motivated behavior, cyberbullying, hazing or initiation activity, extortion, or any other verbal, written, or physical conduct that causes or threatens to cause violence, bodily harm, or substantial disruption to the school program
3. Conduct that disrupts the orderly classroom or school environment
4. Willful defiance of staff's authority
5. Damage to or theft of property belonging to students, staff, or the district
6. Obscene acts or use of profane, vulgar, or abusive language
7. Possession, use, or being under the influence of tobacco, alcohol, or other prohibited substances
8. Possession or use of a laser pointer, unless for a valid instructional or other school-related purpose with prior permission of the principal or designee (Penal Code 417.27)
9. Plagiarism or dishonesty on schoolwork or tests
10. Wearing of any attire that violates district or school dress codes, including gang-related apparel
11. Tardiness or unexcused absence from school
12. Failure to remain on school premises in accordance with school rules

Employees are expected to enforce standards of conduct and, when they observe or receive a report of a violation of these standards, to appropriately intervene or seek assistance. As necessary, the employee shall refer the matter to a supervisor or the principal or designee.

When a school employee suspects that a search of a student or a student's belongings will turn up evidence of the student's violation of the law or school rules, such a search shall be conducted in accordance with BP/AR 5145.12 - Search and Seizure.

When a student uses any prohibited device, or uses a permitted device in an unauthorized manner, a district employee may confiscate the device. The employee shall store the device securely until it is returned to the student or turned over to the principal or designee, as appropriate.

Students who violate district or school rules and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, referral to a student success team or counseling services, or denial of participation in extracurricular or co-curricular activities or other privileges in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement as appropriate.

Students also may be subject to discipline, in accordance with law, Board policy, or administrative regulation, for any off-campus conduct during non-school hours which poses a threat or danger to the safety of students, staff, or district property, or substantially disrupts school activities.

ATTENDANCE

BP 5113

Each student shall be accountable for his/her attendance for every day that school is in session. Legal and illegal absences shall be recorded by the school. All illegal absences shall be reported to parents.

To the extent that absence or tardiness limits participation by a student in class activities, his/her grade may be affected.

EFFORT

AR 5131(b)

1. Students shall comply with class requirements for the completion of assignments and for reporting to class with required materials.
2. Each school will establish procedures for addressing student tardiness.
3. Student participation in classroom activities may be included in the teacher's grading criteria.
4. Students are expected to respect the rights of others, including personal and property rights, so as to permit all students to benefit from the educational program. Policy approved: January 17, 1995

Policy revised: April 8, 2003

SAN RAMON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

NON-DISCRIMINATION UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The District is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination based on sex, sexual orientation, race, ancestry, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group identification, marital or parental status, physical or mental disability or any other unlawful consideration. The District promotes programs which ensure that discriminatory practices are eliminated in all District activities. The Governing Board recognizes that the District has primary responsibility for ensuring that it complies with state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs.

The District follows uniform complaint procedures when addressing complaints alleging unlawful discrimination or failure to comply with state or federal law in adult basic education, consolidated categorical aid programs, vocational education, child nutrition programs and special education programs. Any complaint must be initiated no later than six months from the date when the alleged discrimination occurred or when the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged discrimination. The District investigates and seeks to resolve complaints at the local level. If the complaint cannot be resolved at the school level, the following compliance officer and Title IX Coordinator has been designated to receive and investigate complaints to ensure District compliance with law:

Assistant Superintendent
San Ramon Valley Unified School District
699 Old Orchard Drive
Danville, CA 94526
telephone: (925) 552-2923 fax: (925) 552-5092

The District prohibits retaliation in any form for the filing of a complaint, the reporting of instances of discrimination, or for participation in the complaint procedures. Discrimination complaints shall be investigated in a manner that protects the confidentiality of the parties and the facts. Within sixty (60) days from receipt of a complaint, the District will complete a mediation/investigation and prepare a written decision. Any complainant may appeal a District decision to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction within fifteen (15) days of receiving the District decision. The District Uniform Complaint Procedure is governed by Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 1312.3. A copy of this policy and regulation may be obtained from the school principal or the above named compliance officer. Nothing in District procedures precludes a complainant from pursuing available civil law remedies, such as mediation centers, public-private interest groups and/or attorneys, etc. For discrimination complaints, however, a complainant must wait until sixty (60) days from the filing of an appeal with the California Department of Education before pursuing civil law remedies.

ADDING/DROPPING A COURSE

Students who enroll in a course must request permission to add/drop a course **before the completion of their third week at the beginning of each semester**. Students dropping a course during this time will receive an "N" grade indicating "not enrolled". Beyond the third week at the beginning of each semester, the teacher may give an "N" grade or an "F" grade, depending on the quality of the student's work to date and provided that proper notice concerning the possibility of failure has been given to the parents of students who are to receive an "F" grade. Teachers who desire to give an "F" grade for a drop must formally notify the parents a written notification at the time of the drop. (BP/AR 5121)

RESPONSIBILITIES

Students are responsible for:

1. As a PVMS student, I will share in the responsibility to improve my academic achievement, Specifically, I will:
2. Make a commitment to my learning and take responsibility for my education.
3. Monitor my student Google Classroom.
4. Monitor the work required and assigned by teachers.
5. Complete all assignments on time.

6. Advocate for my learning and ask for help as needed. I will take advantage of Student Support Period (Monday & Wednesday)
7. Read (at a minimum) 30 minutes each day.
8. Provide to your parents/guardians all pertinent information received by you in a timely manner.

Parents/Guardians are responsible for:

1. Monitor student accounts in Google Classroom.
2. Monitor student attendance.
3. Ensure homework completion.
4. Monitor screen time and usage of cell phones after school.
5. Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to a student's education.
6. Promote positive use of student's extracurricular time.
7. Stay informed about the student's education and communicate with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school, principal, and SRVUSD.

Pine Valley School is responsible for:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment.
2. Discuss this compact as it relates to the individual student's achievement.
3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their student's progress.
4. Parents have immediate access to students' daily grades and assignments through the use of our online school-wide grading called Google Classroom. Parents have 24 hours a day access to their child's grades.
5. Provide reasonable access to staff.
6. Staff members are available before and after school and may schedule an appointment. Parents may contact staff members by telephone and communicate through district email.
7. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their student's school:
8. Parents are welcome to participate with their student's school through volunteering for specific events through the PTA.

DAILY OPERATIONS

SUPERVISION

Supervision is provided on campus for 15 minutes before and after school. Any time a student is on campus after school, it is to be under the supervision of a teacher or part of an organized activity.

BICYCLES

Students may ride their bicycles to school; however, they must be parked and locked in the bicycle rack. Bicycle riders should observe traffic safety laws and be considerate to children walking to school. At no time during the school day are bicycles to be ridden on school grounds. California State law requires that all students wear helmets while riding a bicycle.

While all reasonable measures will be taken to provide this secure place for students to store their bikes, the choice to ride bicycles to and from school rests entirely with students and parents. Skateboards/scooters can also be locked in the bike rack. The school assumes no responsibility for bikes, skateboards and scooters brought to school.

Students need to walk all bikes, skateboards, and scooters while on campus and in the crosswalks. Students are asked to remain on the sidewalks once off campus.

Electric Scooters and Class 3 E-Bikes are not allowed on campus. PVMS works closely with San Ramon Police Dept to inform students and families about the legal restrictions on those.

MESSAGES FOR STUDENTS

Messages are taken for students in emergency situations only. Please make after school arrangements before students come to school. Plan ahead for rainy days. Do not call or text your child during school hours.

STUDENT PHONE USAGE

Students who need to contact a parent for school related reasons may use the office phone. Students may not use their personal cell phones or watches, these items are to be off and stored in the students backpack.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS

To eliminate class interruptions, parents are not allowed to drop forgotten items for students in classrooms. Parents are asked to drop the item outside of the gates and place the item on the Forgotten Items cart. Students will not be notified that an item has been delivered. It is up to the student to pick that item up between class periods.

LOST AND FOUND

Small lost and found items, such as jewelry or keys are kept in the main office for students to reclaim. Items such as jackets, sweatshirts, lunch boxes, etc. can be reclaimed from the Lost and Found outside of the front office or front of the main building. Unclaimed items will be donated to local charities on the last day of every month.

DISTRICT CELLULAR USAGE POLICY

Possession of cellular phones or other electronic devices by a student, at school, is a privilege, which may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the pertinent district or school rules that pertain to the possession/use of such devices. Cellular phones or other devices are only allowed to be used for instructional purposes under the direct supervision of a classroom teacher. Otherwise, cellular phones or other electronic devices are not to be used, heard or seen during the school day, which includes both in-class instructional time as well as non-structured times such as lunch, break & passing period. If phones are visible or audible at any point of the school day, they will be taken and held for parent pick-up after school. Repeat violations will result in progressive disciplinary consequences. Smart watches should only be used to tell time and not for communication with others. The same consequences will apply for violations to this policy.

ATTENDANCE

EXCUSED AND UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

When students are absent from school, they miss out on the whole educational experience of direct instruction and interaction with texts, other materials and classmates. Furthermore, when students are absent (excused or unexcused), Pine Valley loses much needed funding. Doctor or dentist appointments, funerals, religious holidays and illnesses are the only legally excused absences. Parents are urged to use discretion in excusing their students from school. The average number of absences per year in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District is less than ten per student. Absences for reasons other than those listed above are unexcused. Please note that any absence (excused or unexcused) counts against perfect attendance. To cut down on excessive absences, we ask your support in arranging medical and dental appointments for after school or on student release days. Please do not excuse students for these reasons: 1) being unprepared for a test or project, 2) going on vacation, or 3) visiting with friends or relatives. These absences are unexcused, and parents will receive a truancy letter if they exceed 5 days in a school year.

Students who are absent from their assigned class or area without permission will be deemed to be cutting class. Cutting class is considered to be a major violation of school rules and will be referred to the administration.

Continued absences not verified by doctor notes or a Chronic Illness Form will result in the student being classified as a habitual truant, which will necessitate a referral to the School Attendance Review Board.

It is important to remember to update student emergency information at the beginning of every school year when doing the Annual Update. Please use the Parent Portal to fulfill this responsibility.

CLEARING AN ABSENCE

Since we always make student safety our priority, if your student’s absence is not confirmed each day by 9:30 A.M., parents will receive an automated email from the district shortly after 10:00 A.M. Absences still unverified at the end of the day will receive a follow-up email and automated phone call after 6:00 P.M. that evening. Please contact the Pine Valley Attendance Line or email pvattendance@srvusd.net if you get this message.

In accordance with State guidelines, it is the **responsibility of the parent to verify all absences**, including absences for part of the day. Parents are asked to call the **Pine Valley Attendance Line (925-479-7798)** or email pvattendance@srvusd.net before 9:30 A.M. giving the following information:

- 1. Name of Student
- 2. Date of the Absence(s)
- 3. Reason for the Absence
- 4. Your Name and Relationship to the Student

For a full explanation of district attendance policy, please see the *Annual Parent Information Packet (APIP)* on the district website.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

In the event of an extended absence parents may request an Independent Study Contract. Requests must be submitted at least 5 days in advance. Contracts for 10-15 days must have the principal’s approval and are strongly discouraged. Contracts may not exceed 15 days. The last day to request an absence is May 18. Students must return to school on May 19 to qualify. Students pick up their class assignments from the office the day before their absence begins and turn in all completed assignments to their teachers on the documented return date. If the assignments are not completed and submitted to the teachers on the contract return date, students will not receive full credit for those assignments, their absence will be coded as unexcused, and they may be refused future Independent Study Contracts. *Contact the Attendance Secretary for details.*

TARDY POLICY

Students are expected to be in class on time, in their seats, and ready to begin work when the bell rings. The only valid excuses for a tardy are those previously noted: doctor or dentist appointments, funerals, religious holidays and illnesses. Students are not excused for oversleeping, traffic, a missed ride, or car trouble. The sixth unexcused tardy that a student accumulates for any class may result in a referral to administration; school detention may be assigned, and parents will be notified. If the tardies continue, the students will be referred to the Student Attendance Review Board.

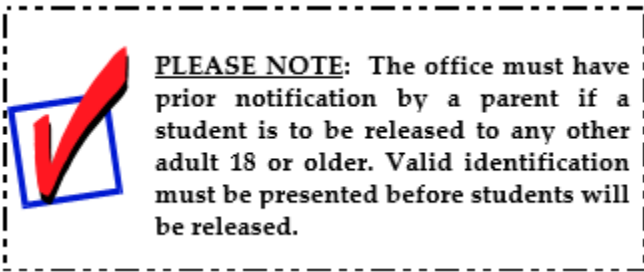
Also note that if students are tardy or absent for 30 minutes or more on a school day without a valid excuse on 12 occasions in a school year, they are considered truant and will receive a district truancy letter.

	Number of Unexcused Tardies per class each Quarter	Intervention	Disciplinary Action
T E A C H E R S	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The teacher gives the student A gentle reminder about arriving on time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email notifications are sent to guardians by the teacher
	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The teacher counsels students & reinforces expectations in private 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email notifications are sent to guardians by the teacher
	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The teacher counsels the student, reinforces expectations, and informs the student about the parent notification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email notification sent to guardians The teacher should confer with the student and/or contact parents.
A D M I N I S T R A T I O N	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email notification of tardy status notifies parent/guardian of tardy violations, discipline assigned, and the progressive disciplinary plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assign the student to a Work detail Email notification sent to guardians
	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email notification of tardy status notifies parent/guardian of tardiness violations, discipline assigned, and the progressive disciplinary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The administrator meets with the student and calls parents/guardians verbal contract is made. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will get a SARB review process with Ms. Bryzek Afterschool/lunch Detention Students complete an assignment or face other consequences
	9+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade-level administrator notifies parent/guardian of tardiness violations, discipline assigned, and the progressive disciplinary Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student receives additional after-school detention The administrator will conference with the student, create an attendance contract, and send a copy to parents to sign
	12+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The attendance office sends a truancy letter home and the family is notified that they will be referred to SARB for tardiness in one class or overall to multiple classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The administrator refers The case was referred to the Student Attendance Review Board. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The administrator will conference with the student and parents

- All situations will be evaluated to provide any necessary support to assist in reducing tardiness
- Number of tardies will reset to zero at the beginning of each quarter

ARRIVING LATE

Call the Pine Valley Attendance Line or email pvattendance@srvusd.net before 9:30 A.M. if you know your student will be late for school. If you do not call, students coming directly to school from early appointments must bring a doctor's note when signing in with the Attendance Secretary to excuse the late arrival. **All late students must sign in and get a pass to class if they are more than 10 minutes late. Any tardy over 30 minutes, regardless of the reason, must be verified by a parent.**



LEAVING DURING THE DAY

No student will be released unless the parent/guardian has notified the Attendance Secretary. Please inform the front office if you intend on picking up your student during the school day. Please indicate the time and reason you will be picking them up. When you arrive press the white button at the front gate for assistance to release your student off campus. Students must sign out at the front office before leaving campus. If the student returns to school on the same day, they must sign back into the office and receive a pass to return to class.

CLOSED CAMPUS

Pine Valley is a closed campus like all middle schools in our district. This means that students are expected to remain on campus during the entire school day, and no students may leave our campus without special permission from the office. Our students are expected to observe the same policy at our neighboring schools. Students are not to go on to the campuses of our neighboring schools without first getting permission from the school office. Also, as a closed campus, no other students are permitted to visit.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

LOCKERS AND LOCKER ROOMS

Physical Education teachers will assign a lock and a locker to you at the beginning of the school year. You may not give the combination to anyone, switch lockers with anyone or share lockers with anyone. You must keep your clothing and personal items locked up during your physical education class period. The school is not responsible for any lost or damaged personal items such as chromebooks, smart watches, cell phones and specifically money.

You will store your PE clothes in your small locker when you are not in your physical education class. *You are only allowed to use a school-issued lock in the locker rooms. Other locks will be cut/discarded.*

Directions for opening a combination lock:

1. Turn the dial to the right three times to reset the lock fully. Stop at the first combination number.
2. Turn the dial to the left one full turn, pass the first number. Stop at the second combination number.
3. Turn the dial to the right and stop immediately at the third combination number. Pull down hard.

HEALTH

When parents complete the Annual Update on the Parent Portal, they are asked to provide a health history for their child. This gives us an update of their child's health status and verifies immunizations that are required by California law. If special health concerns are noted, the Health Educator/School Nurse will contact the parents and assist in adapting the school program to meet the needs of the student.

Per California law, all parents must provide proof of their child's Tdap Booster and two Varicella immunizations before the first day they start 7th grade. The Tdap Booster is usually given at 11 years of age and up.

Parents/guardians can reference shotsforschool.org. This website outlines all immunization requirements.

If your child's health status has changed over the summer, please notify the nurse at the beginning of the school year.

Physical examinations are strongly recommended between the 5th and 6th grades. This recommendation is based upon the changes in growth typical of adolescents, and the change in the types of physical activities students usually participate in at the middle school level.

Parents whose students must take medication at school must comply with Ed Code 49423 and complete a medication form signed by you and your doctor.

INJURY AND ILLNESS PROTOCOL

ILLNESS

When a student who is feeling ill comes to the office, office staff or a nurse will assess the student (takes temperature, asks how the student is feeling and what is wrong). The staff then tells the student that they may call home. The student is allowed to stay for 10 minutes without calling a parent. At the end of 10 minutes, the student or staff calls the parent for a pick-up or the student returns to class. If the student has a temperature or is vomiting, the staff calls immediately to inform the parent and arrange for the parent to pick up their student.

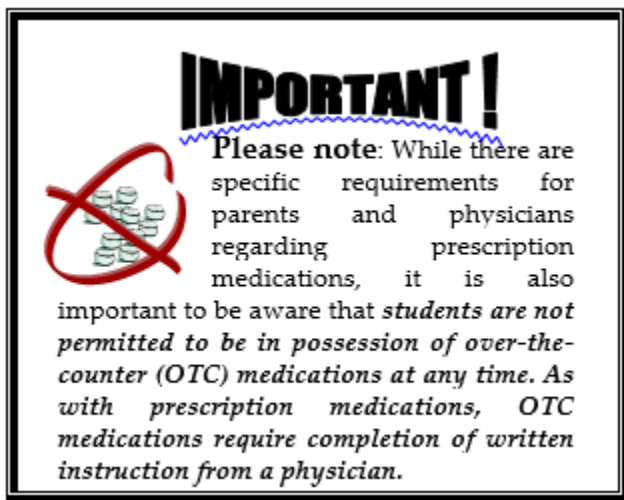
INJURIES

If an injury occurs in a class, injured students are escorted by another student to ensure safety. Teachers are asked to call the office if they are sending a student. P.E. Teachers have radios and can contact the office as well. If a student is unable to walk on his/her own, the teacher must request that the office personnel bring a wheelchair to the student's location for transport.

If it is something minor (paper cut, scrape), we provide the student with the necessary supplies to treat the injury. The student is given the opportunity to call home and talk to a parent. The student then returns to class.

If the injury is more serious (ankle sprain, jammed finger, any head, neck, eye, or back injury, or burn), the office staff or nurse treats the injury as needed (ice for sprains, running water for burns, etc.). Then the staff calls the parent to inform and allows the student to talk with the parent. For those types of injuries, parents are strongly encouraged/requested to pick up their child. Office staff or nurse will complete an Accident Report for all serious injuries.

When a student has a serious injury or illness which cannot be handled by the staff, the staff will call 911 for assistance. Because we do not have a full-time nurse, students who are ill will be required to leave campus rather than remain at school.



MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES

Up to five consecutive days of P.E. may be excused by a note from a parent. Students who are unable to participate in our Physical Education program because of health problems must provide a physician's written recommendation for any excuse that exceeds five days. Office staff cannot excuse students from P.E.

RULES FOR MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

If your child must take medication at school, please read this information carefully:

A Medication Release form must be completed each year and kept on file in the school office. Annual updates are required by law.

Students may not possess medication at school, walking to and from school, or on a school bus (exceptions are inhalers for asthma, diabetic medications and EPI PENS, as authorized by the physician on the Medication Release form, which is available in the school office). You can also access these forms to print online at www.srvusd.net.

A parent or adult representative must bring medication to school in the original pharmacy container.

Over-the-counter drugs must also have a Medication Release form on file.

Please check the expiration dates of all medications. Expired medications cannot be administered to students.

All medications must be kept in the office unless directed by the physician.

A parent or adult representative must pick up unused medication at the end of the school year or when it expires.

All medication will be discarded if not picked up at the appropriate time.

A student may be subject to disciplinary action for misusing any medication.

The district's school nurses serve several schools and are not available daily to administer medication. As a result, nonmedical staff on the campus will most often perform this function. Consequently, you are encouraged to consult your physician to work out a schedule to give medication outside school hours if possible.

Academic Planner:

We continue to find that one of the greatest challenges students face when transitioning from elementary to middle school is keeping their class work and homework organized. To assist families with keeping track of assigned work and due dates, we require that students use the PV academic planner as part of their daily routine. All students are provided with a Planner and Homework Folder.

Monitoring the planner is an effective way for parents to support their child's development of the study skills necessary for academic success in middle school.

STUDENT SUPPORT - MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

At Pine Valley, we believe that successful students should seek help rather than wait for it to come to them. In the spirit of supporting all our students academically while recognizing them as individual learners with individual needs, Pine Valley provides opportunities for students to seek academic support. This promotes choice and independence. It's the student's responsibility to use our Responsive Scheduler to sign up for Student Support. Students that continue to not sign up for Student Support will receive an administrative consequence.

REQUESTS FOR TRANSCRIPTS

All transcripts and report cards are available online through the Parent Portal.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress reports are on the parent portal at the midpoint of each grading period for students who are receiving a C- grade or below. If a parent does not have internet access, he/she may call the school office at 479-7700 to request that a Progress Report be mailed home. Teachers in academic classes will post grades online for all students at progress report and report card deadline dates, approximately every 5 weeks.

REPORT CARDS

All report cards are available through the Parent Portal. Families without internet access can contact Pine Valley. Hard copies are not sent home with students or in the mail.

PARENT CONFERENCES

There are two Parent-Teacher Conference sessions each year. Please see the school calendar for the dates. Students will follow a conference schedule.

Teachers or parents may request a conference at any time of the year if a student is struggling or has concerns. Please contact teachers directly to schedule a meeting.

CALIFORNIA JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP FEDERATION (CJSF)

CJSF is an organization of students interested in scholarship, service, and citizenship. Members may participate in service projects, attend meetings, and go on periodic field trips.

Beginning in 7th grade, students can qualify for membership in CJSF through academic achievement. Students must earn 8 points (A = 3 points, B = 1 point) through semester grades in their four academic classes: English, history, science, and math. Students must reapply at the end of each semester. Students who qualify all three semesters in 7th and 8th grade will earn a gold seal on their promotion certificate as "Lifetime Members."

DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY USAGE

All district *Technology Acceptable Use Policies* are enforced at Pine Valley. **Note: Fall 2025, there will be an update to the Technology Acceptable Use Policies.**

Students who improperly use school equipment or network access may lose their technology privileges. They may be given an alternative assignment, and parents or guardians will be notified.

Parents and students acknowledge that Pine Valley Middle School Acceptable use Policy (AUP) are enforced. By completing the Annual Update on the Parent Portal, students and parents agree to abide by these policies, restrictions and consequences for inappropriate computer or network use.

1:1 DEVICES

- Computer use is for school-related assignments and projects only.
- Treat school computers and equipment with care and respect. Do not remove, damage, or misuse any equipment or accessories. Parents/Guardians are financially responsible for damage caused by misuse.
- Do not download, install, or remove any software on a school computer.
- Protect your password(s). **Never** share your password or computer access with others.
- Software installed on school computers is copyrighted. Do not copy, distribute, or alter it in any way.
- **Do Not** change, copy, delete, read, or otherwise access computer or network files that are not yours.
- Students may not use school computers for email, instant messaging, or other personal communications.
- Bullying in any form (including using the internet and any social networks) is unacceptable and not permitted.
- Visit only school approved websites.
- Never provide personal or other identifying information anywhere on the internet. Protect yourself and others from cyber predators.
- Do not plagiarize. Always use proper citations when including images or text information from a website or electronic references.
- School officials have the authority to impose discipline for harm caused by off campus online speech when that speech has, or a reasonable person would anticipate it will:
 - Cause an impact at school
 - Interfere with the rights of students to be secure and/or receive an education
 - and/or is a “true threat”

Field Trip Policy

Pine Valley Middle School recognizes that thoughtfully planned and supervised field trips provide valuable learning experiences that extend beyond the classroom. This policy outlines the guidelines and expectations for student participation in school-sponsored field trips.

Eligibility for Participation: All students for whom a field trip is planned are encouraged to participate. However, to ensure a positive and productive experience for all, students must meet the following minimum academic and behavioral requirements:

- **Academic Standing:** Students must not have any failing grades in any subject at the time of the field trip permission form deadline and up to the trip date.
- **Behavioral Expectations:** Students must have a clear disciplinary record for the two weeks before the field trip. Additionally, any serious behavioral infractions, regardless of the timeframe, may result in exclusion from the trip.

All school district policies, procedures, rules, and potential consequences remain in full effect during all phases of a field trip, including but not limited to student conduct, dress code, and electronic device usage. All students must sign the SRVUSD student code of conduct before participating in a field trip.

School administrators retain the authority to exclude a student from participating in a field trip if their presence is deemed to pose a safety or disciplinary risk to themselves or others. Any decision to exclude a student will be made in compliance with all applicable district policies and procedures.

This policy is intended to promote a safe, enriching, and successful field trip experience for all participating students and staff.

DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIOR

Following the Governing Board, our goal is to support our students' emotional development in the areas of self-discipline and personal responsibility. When a student is involved in some form of misbehavior, the school staff will carefully review the incident and consider the student's record. The staff will make every effort to use progressive discipline strategies and to enforce rules fairly and consistently. The goal of any disciplinary consequence is improved behavior. Failure to improve will result in stronger consequences. Sanctions for misbehavior may include after-school or lunch detention, suspension, or expulsion from school.

Any offense or combination of offenses may lead to expulsion or transfer to another school if other means of correction fail to bring about a change in behavior or if the student's presence on campus constitutes a danger to others. Standards for student behavior apply to school hours, to school-sponsored events on or off campus, and to incidents which may occur on the way to or from school.

GENERAL BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to treat each other and all adults with respect. They are not permitted to demean, tease, ridicule, or intimidate others by words, actions, or through sexual harassment. Signs are posted throughout the school to reinforce these expectations. In addition:

1. Students are required to keep their hands and feet to themselves and to use appropriate language.
2. Anything that distracts from the learning environment is not permitted at school.
3. Spitting is unsanitary, presents a health hazard, and is unsightly. It is not permitted.
4. The following items are not allowed at school and will be removed from students and returned to parents.
 - a. Electronic devices such as iPods and video cameras
 - b. Any items which constitute a potential weapon such as chains, nunchucks, studded jewelry, etc.
 - c. Laser pens and shocking devices
 - d. Hair sprays, deodorant or perfume sprays, or other personal grooming sprays
 - e. "Slam books" or written journals of a personal nature which are intended to record either individual or multiple opinions of people or events
5. Bartering is not permitted at school. No items may be bought, sold or traded on campus.
6. Students may not ask for or borrow money.
7. Gum chewing is not permitted before, during, or after school on campus.

8. Students must speak respectfully and appropriately on campus. Rumors, gossip, bullying, and name-calling are not permitted.
9. Clothing must be appropriate for school. For specific guidelines, see “Dress Code” in this handbook.

POSSESSION OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT SCHOOL

The school assumes no responsibility for electronic devices, including cell phones, MP3 players, hand-held video games, cameras, etc. These devices are not to be used, heard, or visible in or during class, instructional time, or school activities, as defined by the school. If this policy is violated, the devices will be confiscated and returned only to the parent. Cell phones may be used only after dismissal.

PVMS CHROMEBOOK POLICY

Chromebooks will only be used during class when explicitly directed by the teacher.

- Unless a staff member gives permission, Chromebooks must remain stored in zipped backpack pockets during breaks and lunch.
- Students are expected to **charge their devices at home** and **handle them with care**.
- Inappropriate use, including visiting non-educational websites, playing games, or disrespectful online behavior, will result in **progressive disciplinary actions**, including losing Chromebook privileges.

Pine Valley Middle School Student Chromebook Responsible Use Policy

Stay Safe, Show Respect, Add Value - Use Tech Responsibly

Safety	Respect	Value
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keep Personal Information Private: Do not share personal details like full name, address, phone number, passwords, or school information online. ● Use School-Approved Websites: Only visit websites and use applications that are school-approved and appropriate for learning. ● No Bypassing Securly & Filters: Do not attempt to bypass school internet filters or Securly sessions. ● Think Before You Share: Do not post or send messages, pictures, or videos that are inappropriate, harmful, or could be used to bully others. ● Do Not Impersonate Others: Never use someone else's account, pretend to be someone else, or use another student's chromebook. ● Keep Login Credentials Secure: Never share your passwords with others; sign out when finished using your device. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chromebook Use: Unless specifically directed by the teacher, All students Chromebooks must be <u>put away</u> in a zipped pocket in backpacks. There is no Chromebook use during break or lunch unless specific permission is given by a staff member. ● Google Account Profile Pictures & Wallpaper: Students must choose a profile picture and Google Chrome wallpaper that is school-appropriate, respectful, and non-disruptive. The picture should not be of a person other than the student. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use Kind and Appropriate Language: Whether in emails, chats, or shared documents, always communicate respectfully. No bullying, harassment, or offensive language. ● Do Not Disrupt Others: Keep sound off or use headphones when necessary, and avoid messaging or distracting classmates during lessons. Do not interfere with other students' online work. ● Respect Others' Privacy: Do not take, share, or post pictures, videos, or personal information about classmates, teachers, or anyone else without direct teacher approval. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Handle the Chromebook with Care: Keep food, drinks, and liquids away from the device. Use it on a stable surface and transport it safely in a zipped backpack pocket. ● Charge the Device Responsibly: Ensure the Chromebook is charged at home. ● Report Lost or Damaged Devices Immediately: If a Chromebook is lost, stolen, or damaged, report it to a teacher or administrator as soon as possible. ● Use the Chromebook for Educational Purposes: The Chromebook is a learning tool provided to enhance education and is to be used solely for school-related activities, not for personal entertainment, gaming or other off-task behavior. ● Follow Copyright and Academic Integrity Guidelines: Do not plagiarize, copy others' work, or misuse AI tools. Always cite sources properly.

CYBERBULLYING

Cyberbullying is the use of electronic information and communication devices to willfully and repeatedly harm either a person or persons through the medium of electronic text, photos, or videos. Examples of this behavior include but are not limited to:

- Sending/posting false, cruel, hurtful or vicious messages/comments.
- Creating fake or fictitious social media sites/blogs that target staff members or students.
- Creating or soliciting anonymous opinions/feedback/surveys of staff or students using social media sites.
- Creating websites that have stories, cartoons, pictures, and jokes ridiculing others.
- Breaking into an email account and sending vicious or embarrassing materials to others.
- Engaging someone in electronic communication, tricking that person into revealing sensitive personal information and forwarding that information to others.
- Posting a student picture without their permission.

Bullying of this nature creates a hostile, disruptive environment on the school campus and is a violation of a student's right to be safe and secure. Actions deliberately threatening, harassing, intimidating an individual or group of individuals, placing an individual in reasonable fear of harm or damaging the individual's property; or disrupting the orderly operation of the school, will not be tolerated.

TEASING, TAUNTING, BULLYING, HARASSMENT, AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT

We are dedicated to the prevention of bullying at our school. Bullying goes beyond simple verbal teasing and is an expression of power of one student over another. Taunting or bullying will not be tolerated. Sometimes friends will claim that they are "just joking" or "just fooling around". It is important to understand that this is never an excuse for making another student feel powerless.

Any student who feels he or she is being harassed should immediately ask a teacher or adult at school for help. If the behavior persists, it is important to report it again, this time to an administrator. All complaints will be promptly and appropriately addressed.

Types of bullying include, but are not limited to:

- Physical: Kicking, biting, hitting, spitting, pushing, taking personal belongings, poking, and pantsing
- Verbal/written: Taunting, malicious teasing, name-calling, making threats, and gossiping.
- Psychological: Spreading rumors, manipulating social relationships, exclusion, extortion or intimidation, threats, gestures, and cyberbullying.

ACTION STEPS TO RESPOND TO BULLYING OR HARASSMENT

Any student who receives such an image or message against their will should:

- Inform a school official immediately.
- Save the evidence. Print the online harassing text if possible.
- Identify the bully.
- Clearly tell the bully to stop.
- Ignore the bully by leaving the online environment and/or blocking communications.
- File a complaint with the Internet or Cell Phone Company.
- Contact the bully's parents.
- Contact the police.

Consequences – Inappropriate Use of Technology

Education Codes 48900.4 and 48900 (r), strictly prohibit harassment or bullying of any kind and such behavior is subject to consequences, including possible expulsion.

- Sexually explicit material that is transmitted electronically may result in parents or police being notified, and that material may be reported as suspected child abuse or neglect.
- All students involved in the transmission and/or possession of such images or text may be disciplined under California Education Code 48900 (i): Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- If reasonable suspicion exists that a student has been involved in possessing or transmitting such material, the electronic device involved may be confiscated and searched by school officials.

The transmission of such material involving another student may be punished under California Education Code 48900 (r): Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act, as defined in subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 32261, directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel.

- Additionally, Education Code 48900 (k) states that any disruption of school activities or otherwise willful defiance of the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties can also lead to suspension.

***Education Code 48900.4 “Harassment, threats, or intimidation creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment”

***Education Code 48900 (k) “Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties”

***Education Code 48900 (i) “Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity”

***Education Code 48900 (r) “Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to bullying committed by means of an electronic act, as defined in subdivisions (f) and (k) of Section 32261, directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel”

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Pine Valley Middle School is committed to students of character who demonstrate civic, social and personal responsibility. The life skills we value and expect from students are effort, honesty, respect, responsibility, perseverance and self-discipline. Students at Pine Valley are responsible for understanding and abiding by this Academic Integrity Policy. They will take the time to do their own class work. They will be honest and will learn without cheating, lying or taking shortcuts on homework, projects or exams. The Academic Integrity Policy includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Students will not copy homework or project materials, change a grade on a paper, or turn in another student’s work as their own.
2. Students will not copy an idea, cut and paste online sources, or use references without quoting a source.
3. Students will not use their cell phone, email or any other electronic device to share testing information.
4. Students will not cheat on an exam by copying, using cheat sheets, writing answers on their skin or clothing, stealing an exam, or providing student information about the exam.
5. Students will not let another person copy their work, take an exam or complete an assignment for them (including adults – parents are encouraged to help and support students with their schoolwork).
6. Students will not make up information on an assignment to prove their ideas.
7. When correcting work in class, students will correct classmates’ work honestly and to the standards set forth by the teacher.

ACTS REQUIRING RECOMMENDATION FOR EXPULSION

California State legislation invokes very substantial penalties for students who commit acts that seriously threaten the safety of other students as outlined in Education Code 48915(a). The principal or superintendent of schools shall recommend the expulsion of a student for any of the following acts committed at school or at a school activity off school grounds unless the administration finds that expulsion is inappropriate due to a particular circumstance:

1. Causing serious physical injury to another student, except in self-defense.
2. Possession of any knife or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil.
3. Unlawful possession of any controlled substance.
4. Robbery or extortion.
5. Assault or battery upon any school employee.

Pursuant to Education Code 48915(c), the principal or superintendent of schools **must** immediately suspend and **must** recommend expulsion of a pupil that he or she determines has committed any of the following acts at school or at a school activity off school grounds:

1. Possessing, selling or otherwise furnishing a firearm.
2. Brandishing a knife at another person.
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or a sexual battery.
5. Possession of an explosive.

DRESS CODE

1. Students whose attire is inappropriate or disruptive to the educational program will be required to change, or other arrangements will be made. The following guidelines apply to all school activities:

2. Clothing must allow a full range of motion and completely conceal undergarments. Overly revealing clothing and tube tops are prohibited.

3. Hoods may not be worn in class.

4. Clothing and jewelry must be free of crude, vulgar, profane, sexually suggestive, violent, or disrespectful content, including messages promoting illegal substances or negative racial/ethnic prejudice. These determinations are at the discretion of school administration.

5. Students wearing or displaying overt gang paraphernalia or gestures will be referred to the administration.

4TH QUARTER EXPECTATIONS NOTIFICATION

Behavioral referrals during the fourth quarter carry stronger consequences. The fourth quarter is a busy time of the year, and 8th graders are fully aware of behavior expectations as they complete their third year at Pine Valley and prepare to enter high school. Please be informed that students who require behavior interventions, receive office referrals or require suspension may be forfeiting end of the year privileges. These 8th grade activities may include the 8th Grade Class Trip, Day on the Green, end-of-the-year celebration, and the Promotion Ceremony. Sixth and seventh grade students with behavior referrals may lose end-of-the-year celebration and Day on the Green.

SRVUSD POLICY ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT

It is the policy of the Governing Board of the San Ramon Valley Unified School District (BP 5145.7) to provide an educational and work environment free of unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, visual or physical conduct or communications constituting sexual harassment, as defined by Ed. Code 212.5 and otherwise prohibited by state and federal statutes. Prohibited sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, made by someone from or in the work or educational setting, under any of the following conditions:

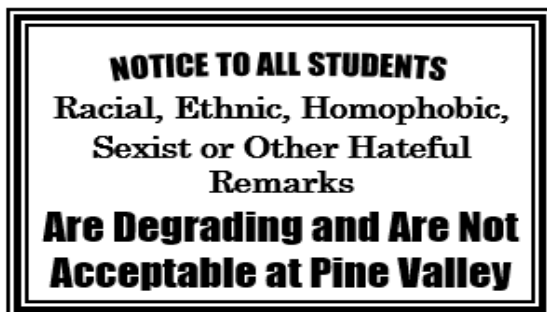
- A. Submission to the conduct is explicitly or implicitly made a term or a condition of an individual's employment, academic status, or progress.
- B. Submission to, or rejection of, the conduct by the individual is used as the basis of employment or academic decisions affecting the individual.
- C. The conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact upon the individual's work or academic performance, or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work or educational environment.
- D. Submission to, or rejection of the conduct by the individual is used as the basis for any decision affecting the individual regarding benefits and services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through the educational institution.

Other types of conduct which are prohibited in the district, and which may constitute sexual harassment include:

Verbal or written conduct (including information shared via email, blogs, social networks, instant messages, TikTok, YouTube, etc.): making derogatory comments, including epithets, slurs, jokes, etc.; sexual propositions or flirtations, graphic commentary about an individual's body; sexually degrading words used to describe an individual; suggestive or obscene letters, notes or invitations; spreading sexual rumors.

Visual conduct: leering; making sexual gestures; displaying sexually suggestive objects, pictures, books, magazines, etc.

Physical conduct: inappropriate touching or impeding one's movement. Every student, employee or applicant has the right to be free from harassment from adults and/or from students in the work or educational setting. The district prohibits retaliatory behavior against any complainant or any participant in the complaint process. Each complaint of sexual harassment shall be promptly investigated in a way that respects the privacy of all parties concerned.



LUNCH TIME CONDUCT

These are the general behavioral expectations for students during lunch periods at Pine Valley.

1. Students are expected to deposit all lunch litter in garbage cans and to recycle.
2. Students are to eat only in the designated eating areas.
3. Food and drinks are not permitted in restrooms.
4. Students are not to go into “off-limits” areas where they cannot be appropriately supervised. Students are dismissed to approved areas (Library, Wellness Center, Blacktop) 15 minutes after the start of lunch.
5. Because of the possible perceived intimidation by such actions, students may not ask, seek, request, or “borrow” money from classmates at any time.
6. Glass containers are not permitted on campus.
7. No pushing, shoving, or cutting in the lunch line.
8. Food only is to be placed in microwaves. Nothing with metal should ever be placed in the microwave. Some chip bags are foil lined. These should never be put into a microwave.
9. Students must have a Pine Valley ID card to check out equipment on the blacktop/field.
10. Phone usage in bathrooms during lunch is prohibited.
11. Throwing food at or towards another student is not permitted.

COMPLAINT PROCEDURE:

Step I – Informal Resolution: It is desirable that problems and complaints of alleged sexual harassment be resolved promptly and equitably. If possible, such problems and complaints should be resolved in an informal manner. Students and employees are encouraged, but not required, to inform the offender directly that his/her conduct is unwelcome or offensive and must stop.

Step II – Verbal or Written Complaint: Students should follow complaint procedures designated in **Administrative Regulation 5145.7, *Sexual Harassment, Students***. A student should initiate a complaint to a teacher or administrator verbally or in written form. The complaint should include information regarding the name(s) of the person(s) who engaged in offensive conduct, the description of the offensive conduct (i.e. when and where the conduct occurred, the number of times it occurred, any informal attempts at resolution), and the names of any witnesses.

Employees or applicants for employment who feel that they have been sexually harassed should contact their supervisor, principal, other district administrator or the superintendent in order to obtain procedures for reporting a complaint. Complaints of sexual harassment against a district employee may be filed in accordance with AR 1312, *Complaints Against School Personnel*. Complaints alleging that a specific action, procedure or practice sexually discriminates can be filed in accordance with AR 4031, *Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment*.

Any supervisor who receives a sexual harassment complaint shall notify the superintendent or designee, who shall ensure uniform application of this policy, and that the complaint is appropriately investigated.

Please see the SRVUSD Website for details.

SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

WHERE EVERYBODY BELONGS

Pine Valley’s student orientation program is designed to break the ice and help transition new students to our school. New students are invited to campus before school opens for a half day of activities, tours, and general information. The W.E.B. program is staffed by 7th & 8th grade student leaders and run by teacher advisors.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The City of San Ramon offers an after-school Teen Center on the Pine Valley campus until 6:00 P.M. Please contact the City of San Ramon for more information.

SCHOOL DANCES

The Pine Valley Leadership class and the PTA co-sponsor school dances throughout the school year. Seventh and eighth grade students are invited to all dances. School administration determines which dances sixth graders are invited to attend. There are places to sit and talk; snacks and music for dancing are provided. Without exception, only Pine Valley students may attend our school dances. To purchase a ticket, go to the online store and purchase the ticket. **Ticket sales end at 3 pm the Thursday before the dance, no exceptions.**

The doors to our dances open at 6:30 P.M. and are open for 15 minutes. Students need their current school ID cards at the door. After the doors close at 6:45 P.M., no students are admitted. Once students enter a dance, they are not permitted to leave until the dance is over at 8:30 P.M. Parents of students who are attending school dances should avoid sending their students to dances too early. Parents need to arrange for students to be picked up at 8:30 P.M. and no later. If your student bought a ticket to the dance but decides not to go, please contact the front office or email Administration informing us.

As with all other extra-curricular activities, students attending dances need to have attended school that day.

Students who have accumulated behavior referrals may have their dance privileges revoked.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The After School Sports Program is an on-going, school-wide program that offers various sports in six-to-eight-week blocks. There are no try-outs, and students are not “cut.” Membership on a team simply requires a desire to play and the appropriate commitment to being a team player. This is a donation-based activity. Without enough donations, the sport will be cancelled.

Students are advised to listen to the daily bulletin for sign-up dates. Fliers with similar information will also be located in the PE locker rooms. This is a very popular program at Pine Valley with over one-third of our student body participating in one or more sports during the school year. Please refer to our website for sign-up information and a schedule of the activities that are outlined above. The Pine Valley office always has information regarding the specifics of these programs.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Because we see education as a partnership between school and home, we are proud of the high level of parent involvement we have at Pine Valley. In addition to individual volunteers, parent participation at Pine Valley takes the form of our School Site Council, the Pine Valley Ed Fund, and our PTA. These groups provide extraordinary support, and all welcome your participation.

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

The School Site Council is comprised of parents, teachers, classified staff members, students, and the principal. This group meets monthly and is responsible for the implementation of our Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). The SPSA can be found on the Pine Valley Middle School website. An election is held to elect parents and students. The Student Academic Report Card (SARC) is a document prepared by the school each year. A hard copy of the SARC is available upon request in the front office

BE A MENTOR - PARENT VOLUNTEER

For the safety of our students, we utilize an online Volunteer Management System (VMS) that ensures that SRVUSD school volunteers have passed the appropriate safety clearances. **For all levels of clearance, a TB test is required for all volunteers.**

There are three levels of clearance:

- Level 1** – Classroom, on-campus school volunteers, and non-driver chaperones for field trips. Applicants will be approved through the Sex Offender Registry. Clearance takes 48 hours.

- Level 2** – Field Trip Drivers. The District will obtain a driving history for the last ten years from the DMV and will be notified any time there is a reportable violation or incident. Volunteers with 2 or more points will not be approved. Clearance takes up to 10 days.

- Level 3** – Overnight Chaperones. Volunteers' fingerprints will be processed through the FBI and the Department of Justice. Clearance can take 45 days.

To learn more about this or to register as a new volunteer, please visit www.srvusd.net/volunteers. If you have questions or need help, please contact help@beamentor.org or 510-342-7178.

PINE VALLEY EDUCATION FUND

The Pine Valley Education Foundation (PVEF) is a parent organization that is dedicated to lowering class size in our core classes and supporting school technology and the Performing Arts. All the money contributed is a tax-deductible donation to Pine Valley and will be used to meet PVEF goals.

Please join PVEF! No meetings or other responsibilities – just lower-class sizes and continued excellence for your students! More information is available at registration and by contacting the school.



We are extremely fortunate to have a very active and supportive PTA at Pine Valley. This group works closely with the administration and the leadership class by co-sponsoring student activities, fundraising, publishing a weekly electronic newsletter, providing needed parent volunteers, and assisting with the many tasks that must be accomplished throughout the school year.

Parents are enthusiastically invited to join us. Be a part of the action. JOIN THE PTA! Please visit the school website, Pine Valley Middle School for contact information.

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