

THE SPARTAN SPEAR

VICTORY FUTURES ACADEMY

SPEARHEAD MESSAGE



🍁 No Tricks, Just Triumphs at Victory Futures

As we settle into the fall semester, I am continually impressed by the focus, enthusiasm, and school pride demonstrated by our students and staff. The start of the year has been filled with meaningful experiences that reflect the mission and values of Victory Futures Academy.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we are fostering a school culture where every student is challenged to grow, supported to succeed, and inspired to lead.

-Proud Principal Peña



UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out what's happening this month:

- 10.13.25 - Staff in-service
- 10.14.25 - Q2 Starts
- 10.16.25 - Volleyball Banquet @ 5:00pm
- 10.17.25 - 10/11th Field trip to Callahan Care
- 10.21.25 - Picture Day
- 10.24.25 - 10/11th Field Trip to Montezuma Castle
- 10.25.25 - St. Mary's Food Pantry
- 10.28.25 - 10.30.25 - Best Buddies Visit
- 10.30.25 - GCU Women's Volleyball Game
- 10.31.25 - 9th Grade Community Clean Up (Grand Canalscape)



LIFE SKILLS SPOTLIGHT: FIRST AID MONTH

This month, our students are learning the essentials of First Aid. They'll be learning how to treat minor injuries and how to respond calmly in emergencies. Through hands-on practice and teamwork, Spartans will build confidence and learn how to help others in real-life situations. At Victory Futures, we're proud to see our students developing leadership and compassion one skill at a time!



ACT PRACTICE TESTING – OCTOBER 15TH

On Wednesday, October 15th, our 9th–11th grade Spartans will take part in ACT Practice Testing from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This practice test helps students build familiarity with the ACT format, improve test-taking stamina, and identify areas for growth before the official exam in the spring.

Families can support their student's success by ensuring they get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and arrive on time ready to focus. Students should bring two #2 pencils, a calculator, and a water bottle.

Results will be reviewed the following week, and teachers will use the data to guide instruction and set academic goals.



ATTENDANCE UPDATE: LET'S STEP IT UP!

Here's the latest on attendance: for the month of September, **only 50% of our students met the 95% attendance goal.** While we celebrate those who showed up consistently, this is not good enough. Every day at school is an opportunity to learn, grow, and succeed.

Families, your support is critical. Please encourage your student to arrive on time, every day, and help them build strong morning routines that set them up for success.

Let's work together to improve attendance this October. Our goal is 95% or higher for every Spartan, because showing up is the first step toward shining bright and achieving greatness! 🤝

9TH GRADE CAMPING TRIP: A VICTORY FUTURES ADVENTURE!

Our 9th graders kicked off the school year with an unforgettable camping trip—a hands-on experience connected to our Culture Exposure Program! Over three days, students explored local history and nature, built teamwork and leadership skills, and reflected on the world around them.

From hiking trails and observing the environment to campfire conversations, Spartans learned life skills while connecting classroom lessons to real-world experiences. A huge thank you to our staff for making this trip possible and helping students create memories that will last a lifetime!



STAY CONNECTED!

AT VICTORY FUTURES ACADEMY, BEING PART OF THE SPARTAN FAMILY MEANS MORE THAN JUST ATTENDING SCHOOL – IT MEANS BELONGING TO A COMMUNITY THAT SUPPORTS, UPLIFTS, AND CELEBRATES EVERY MEMBER. TO KEEP THAT SPARTAN SPIRIT ALIVE AND THRIVING,

WE INVITE YOU TO FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA! BY FOLLOWING US ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM, YOU'LL GET THE LATEST NEWS, EVENT UPDATES, STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS, AND INSPIRING STORIES DELIVERED STRAIGHT TO YOUR FEED. IT'S THE BEST WAY TO STAY CONNECTED, INFORMED, AND ENGAGED WITH EVERYTHING HAPPENING ON CAMPUS.



NOT CONNECTED ON SCHOOL STATUS CONNECT YET? NO WORRIES! CALL OUR FRONT OFFICE AT 602-290-7704 TO GET SET UP AND NEVER MISS AN IMPORTANT UPDATE.

BUT IT DOESN'T STOP THERE. WE KNOW THAT GREAT COMMUNITIES GROW STRONGER WHEN THEY WELCOME NEW MEMBERS. IF YOU LOVE BEING PART OF VICTORY FUTURES ACADEMY, PLEASE REFER YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO OUR CAMPUS. HELP US SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES, SUPPORT, AND SPARTAN PRIDE THAT MAKE OUR SCHOOL TRULY SPECIAL.

TOGETHER, WE CAN BUILD AN EVEN STRONGER SPARTAN COMMUNITY – ONE FILLED WITH SUCCESS, SPIRIT, AND SHARED GOALS. LET'S MAKE THIS YEAR OUR BEST YET – CONNECTED, ENGAGED, AND SPARTAN STRONG!



★ Leave Us a 5-Star Review!

We love hearing from our Victory Futures families! If you've had a positive experience at Victory Futures Academy, please take a moment to leave us a 5-star review on Google. Your feedback helps us share the great things happening on our campus and supports our mission of preparing every Spartan for success.

Like Spartans on the battlefield, strong communication moves swiftly and unites the community —one message at a time.

★ Building Character, Building Community

As we wrap up a dynamic first quarter, we're excited to highlight an initiative led by Ms. Despain: the Character Trait Board. This engaging display provides students with a visual and interactive way to reflect on and embody these qualities. Each month, a new trait is featured, encouraging Spartans to set personal goals and recognize peers who exemplify these values.

Looking ahead, Quarter 2 is an opportunity to build on our momentum. With the foundation of a strong start, we're ready to delve deeper into our academic and personal growth. Let's continue to support one another, stay engaged, and make this quarter even more successful than the last. Together, we're not just learning—we're growing into the leaders of tomorrow.





VFA BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENU

OCTOBER 2025



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1 Cannot Bun Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Popcorn Chicken & Tots	2 Filled Strawberry Cream CheeSe Bagel Chicken Nuggets Chicken Caesar Salad	3 NI Turkey Sausage & CheeSe Breakfast Sandwich NI Breakfast Croissant w/ich NI PB&J Sandwich
6 Fall Break No School	7 Fall Break No School	8 Fall Break No School	9 Fall Break No School	10 Fall Break No School
13 Teacher In Service No School	14 Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal HomeStyle Chicken & Mashed Potatoes NI Chicken Caesar Wrap	15 Chocolate Chip Banana Round Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Chicken Teriyaki w/ Brown Rice	16 Mini Glazed Donuts Mac & Cheese NI Club Sandwich	17 Apple Strudel (HOT) Pretzel w/ CheeSe Cup NI PB&J Sandwich
20 Mini Cinnis (HOT) Chicken Pattie Sandwich NI PB&J Sandwich	21 Honey Cheerios Crunch Cereal Chicken Nuggets & Cheddar Mashed Potatoes NI Club Wrap	22 Blueberry Snack N/Waffle Turkey Sausage Pizza Cheese Pizza NI Bean & Cheese Burrito	23 Cherry Muffin Italian Meatball Bowl Popcorn Chicken Salad	24 Turkey Sausage Pancake Wrap Beef Hot Dog NI Turkey Sandwich
27 French Toast Stick Chicken Corn Dog NI PB&J Sandwich	28 TriX Cereal CheeSe QueSadilla NI Turkey & Cheddar Wrap	29 Yogurt & Vanilla Goldfish Pepperoni Pizza Cheese Pizza Hamburger	30 Mantecada Muffin Orange Chicken w/ Brown Rice Buffalo Chicken Salad	31 Chocolate Crescent (HOT) BBQ Meatballs & CheeSe Mashed Potatoes