<u>Future Alhambra High School (AHS) Moors</u> Class of 2029

Visit AHSmoors.org-click on class pages "incoming 9th grade"

School Counseling letter



PODER Visit

AHS students from the PODER program will be presenting to 8th graders on **Friday, December 20th at 10:50 am** to review the program, its requirements and benefits.

8th Grade Challenge Exam

All eligible students, who have registered, will take the 8th grade Challenge Exam in Mandarin or Spanish on **January 28th at 10:30am.**

Middle of Year (MOY) iReady Reading and Math Diagnostic Assessment

Every 8th grader will take the reading and math assessment by mid-**January.** These scores will be shared with your high school counselor in order to determine placement in high school courses.

<u>Dual language Immersion-Spanish Program</u>

There will be a parent meeting for 8th grade DLI students on **Tuesday, January 7th at 5:30 pm** to review plans for Alhambra High School and continuation of Spanish language at the high school level.

8th Grade Class Visit

Dr. Chavez and our counselor will be visiting 8th grade classes on **Tuesday, January 21st** to review the registration process and answer any questions you may have as you prepare for AHS. Packets will be distributed.

AHS Honors and AP Night

Any student interested in taking an honors class (such as English or Accelerated Math) next year, please plan on attending this event. At AHS on **Thursday, January 23rd at 5:30pm**

Counselor Visit

Our counselor will be presenting High School Overview to 8th grade classes on **January 28** and **January 29** during class time.

8th Grade Panoramic and Promotion Pictures

On **Wednesday, February 12th,** all 8th graders will be taking a panoramic picture together and individual promotion pictures. Please dress appropriately and be ready to smile

Course Selection

The window to register for your 9th grade courses opens from **February 25th-March 9th.** Please select your courses in Powerschool BEFORE you meet with the AHS counselor. Course Selection Sheet

8th Grade Zoom Presentation

AHS Counselors will host a Zoom presentation (broadcasted in your class) on **Tuesday, February 25th at 8:30 am.** The sessions will be live with Q&A at the end of the session. Counselors will provide information on courses and programs, as well as extracurricular opportunities available at AHS. O & A google form

8th Grade Parent Nights for AHS

AHS will host an 8th grade parent night on **Thursday, February 27th at 6:00 pm** in the AHS Auditorium. Counselors will provide an overview of the classes and programs available at AHS. Translations will be available in Spanish, Chinese, and ASL.

PODER Program

Will you be the first to attend college in your family? Receive support for high school success and college applications through the PODER program. There will be a PODER informational meeting following the 8th grade Parent night on **February 27th** at 7:00pm in the AHS auditorium. Website for more information. Application Open Now.

8th Grade Showcase at AHS

We will be taking a school bus to AHS on Friday, **March 7th from 9-11 am**. We will board the bus by 8:15 am. You must have a signed permission slip to attend.

1:1 AHS Counselor Visits

Every 8th grade student will be meeting with an AHS counselor in a 1:1 meeting to review student course selections on March 10th between 8:15-10:30 AM in room F-21.

AHS Celebration of Learning

Join AHS in their celebration of learning on **Thursday March 27th at 5:30pm** to visit and explore campus.

8th Grade Portfolio Day

We are excited to host the first annual 8th grade Portfolio day on **Thursday, May 8th.** All 8th grade students will participate in sharing their digital portfolio in presentations.

DLI Pathway to the Seal of Biliteracy Recognition

8th graders in the Dual Language Immersion program will be recognized and receive recognition for biliteracy attainment (following completion of Portfolio Day) on **Monday, May 19th at 5:30pm** in the auditorium.

8th Grade Field Day

We are scheduled for the 8th grade Field Day at Fremont on Wednesday, May 28th

8th Grade Dinner & Dance

Marriott, Monterey Park, Marriott in Monterey Park Wednesday, May 28th 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM from 5pm-8pm

8th Grade Promotion

8th Grade Promotion at Alhambra Park on Thursday, May 29th at 11am.

Last day of School

This is a minimum day schedule on Friday, May 30th.

Summer Bridge Program at AHS

Summer Bridge for English and Math dates are TBD. There may be two available sessions. Students will be able to receive 5 elective credits. More information to come.

<u>Summer Fresh Start Program</u>

Every year, Alhambra Unified partners with Sycamores to provide incoming 9th grade students with an opportunity to participate in a small group with lessons and fun activities to help ease the transition to high school & help students prepare for success! More info in April/May.