

## Sacramento Academic & Vocational Academy

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#### DATES TO REMEMBER!

FAFSA and Dream Act Deadline — March 2nd!

NAEP Assessment -March 6 At Power Inn Location

**CAASPP Testing -**8th and 11th Graders:

th and 11th Graders April 10-13

Mad City Money (Banking Event) at Sim Center -

March 13

No School— Spring Recess

March 26-30

**CAST Testing -**

12 Grade: April 18 & 19

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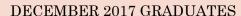
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#### Ms. Jones: Vice Principal Message

Happy New Year and welcome to the spring 2018 semester. It has been so exciting to see students return after the break with such great enthusiasm to resume your studies! I am so proud of how you all persevered through the transition to Edgenuity last semester; change is difficult, but we made it through! If you met your goals for course and credit completion in the fall, congratulations! If you did not make the gains that you had hoped, do not give up! Now is the perfect time to start anew, with fresh goals and a strong resolve for this semester. Remember, "A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles." - Christopher Reeve

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO SIM CENTER'S





Steven Guerrero Vanessa Munoz Alexis Schroeder Ceremony will take place on June 1st at 6PM @ Memorial Auditorium

#### Middle School Science Project

We used plastic rain gutters and toy cars to measure the effect that different inclines have on acceleration. We started by lifting the track 10% of the length (6 inches) and then lifting the track 15% of the length (9 inches). Students noticed that even though there was a 5% difference in the height, the toy cars traveled on average 62% faster on the taller track. When the students looked further into the details, they noticed that regardless of the starting height (6 inches or 9 inches), the toy car had a similar time

when reaching the first quarter marker of the track. The toy car's acceleration picked up at about the halfway point.

- Mr. Mendoza -



ASCA Scholarship Winner

ACSA Every Student Succeeding Awards are a way to acknowledge and celebrate students who have overcome a tremendous amount of adversity, but yet

have found a way to succeed in spite of these challenges. ESS is a great way recognize students for their perseverance, grit, and tenacity. We are so proud of our ESS Award winner, Briana Morales.

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#### The SPOTLIGHT IS ON...



## December Students of the Month! Nominated for Integrity

January Students of the Month! Nominated for Collaboration

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Briana Morales	Asanti Murdock
Zeanna Wilson	Leticia Hurtado
Alondra Velazquez	Johana Sandoval
Jesus Jaime Romero	Daniel Galindo

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#### February Students of the Month! Nominated for Empowerment

\* Angel Mora-Saucedo

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### WELCOME NEW TEACHERS AND STAFF

My name is Mr. Alex Wolfgram. I prefer that people call me Mr. Wolfgram or Mr. Wolf. I was born in Sacramento Ca, during the floods of December 1982. The American River is my favorite place to be and I hope to always be healthy enough to paddle, hike and play guitar next to her awesome banks. I have a wife who is also an extreme whitewater kayaker. We just recently welcomed our first child, Clementine, into the world on Sept. 29th, 2017 and are really excited to be parents.

One of my life's goals was to become a credentialed teacher in California and I am very proud of this accomplishment. I am a person who never stops dreaming so I have new goals that include; cutting an album with the homies, performing a west coast concert tour and helping to put on a major river festival on the American River. Two things that I hope to foster in my students is their curiosity about the world around them and the importance of not giving up on their dreams.





"Hello, I am Ms. Whitmire. I am very excited to be at SAVA! I have been teaching for about 10 years, and have been with Gateway Community Charters for a year-and-a-half. My background is in Home Economics, more specifically Fashion Design, Child Development, and Personal Finance. I have a Business degree from Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, and received my teaching credential through Sac State. I have a 17 year-old son named Max. He keeps me updated on classic rock and skateboarding. I have a 5 year-old "fur-baby", my dog, Domino. He is a mix of a Bassett Hound, Whippet, and Terrier. My goals this year are to learn to speak Spanish (I know a little) and to complete 2 half-marathons at improved pace than previous half-marathons I have done. I am kind of a "homebody", I enjoy hanging out at home with my dog and friends, while watching true crime tv and/or working on puzzles or doing something crafty, and snacking! I am looking forward to getting to know the students at SAVA and seeing them pursue their dreams through all of the great opportunities that are available."

Hello! My name is Ms. Polk or Cheyenne is just as fine. I am currently a Sac State student perusing a degree in Mathematics with an emphasis in Teaching. I recently transferred from Merced College where I received my AS in Mathematics. I am fairly new to the Sacramento area but I am very happy to be here. I enjoy anything adventurous such as camping, hiking, biking, snowboarding, kayaking and so much more. Two of my favorite games are bowling and billiards.