

# Westlake High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Happy New Year! I hope 2018 brings good health and happiness to you and your family. January always proves to be a very fast-paced and active month with only a couple of weeks left before midterm exams, the close of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, and the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the year. This is a great time to start reviewing past units and pulling together study materials. Please remember that all teachers have office hours during the day and have after school extra help every day until 2:45. Students are encouraged to seek extra help from their teachers and can also stop into the Writing Lab or Math Lab during their lunch period to get additional support if needed.

On the college front, our seniors have been excited to share the first round of acceptances with us. From what I have heard from our seniors, it has been a very positive beginning to admissions season, with acceptances coming from a wide selection of colleges and universities. We look forward to hearing more great news from our seniors over the next couple of months.

January at Westlake High School is also a time when we get to acknowledge and celebrate the students who have demonstrated outstanding character, leadership, service and scholarship by inducting them into the National Honor Society. This year we will be inducting 50 students from our junior and senior class. Please join me in congratulating these students on this incredible achievement.

I would like to extend my congratulations to the following students who have been named Lions Club Student of the Month for the months of September, October, November and December. Please join me in congratulating Brian Kelly, Luciano Giannini, Caroline Mooney and Cordelia Jannetty, they certainly are deserving of this honor.

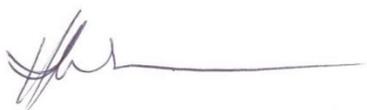
Scheduling season is almost upon us. January is a good time to start thinking about courses and areas of interest for next year. Scheduling for the 2018-19 school year will begin in February and continue through March. You will receive separate notification from your Guidance Counselor regarding scheduling meetings later in the month. In preparation for that meeting, please take some time to review the course selection guide, which is accessible online, and discuss course choices with your child. This will help the scheduling process run more smoothly.

Last, please review the midterm exam schedule, which is attached. Remember, some classes have midyear projects and assessments which may be completed in class prior to the 4-day testing period. During midterms students are only required to attend school for the day(s) they have exams. There will be a mid-day bus run to bring students to and from school for the afternoon scheduled testing blocks.

<b>JANUARY EVENTS</b>	
Thursday, January 4 <sup>th</sup>	National Honor Society Induction – 7:00pm (Auditorium)
Monday, January 15 <sup>th</sup>	Martin Luther King Day – School Closed
Monday, January 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Thursday, January 25 <sup>th</sup>	Midterm Testing – students are only required to attend school if they have a scheduled exam
Friday, January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Full Day of Regular Classes – End of Semester 2
Monday, January 29 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Quarter 3 – Check schedules for any new Quarter 3-4 courses

Thank you, and I look forward to a great 2018!

Dedicated to excellence,



Keith Schenker