



Class of 2023

Are you ready to leave your legacy this year?



Welcome -
MR. MICHAEL SPEKHARDT

Senior Class Information - Class of 2022

Contact Information:

- ▶ Ms. Adams - Yearbook aadams@d49.org
- ▶ Mr. Devin Allen - (A-D) counselor dallen@d49.org
- ▶ Mr. Stephen Anderson - (E - K) counselor stlanderson@d49.org
- ▶ Ms. Alexis Corral- (L-Q) counselor acorral@d49.org
- ▶ Mr. Michael Martinez - (R-Z) counselor mvmartinez@d49.org
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- ▶ Ms. Fleming -Dean of Career and College Success jfleming@d49.org
- ▶ Mr. Brandt- Dean of Pathways mbrandt@d49.org
- ▶ Jostens - Joe Adducci joe.adducci@jostens.com 719-633-8228

▶ Ms. Carter - Dean of Concurrent Enrollment

Julie Fleming: All ASCENT, Traditional CE last name: A-G

Heidi Cephus: All D49 Construction/Culinary, Traditional CE last name: H-Q

Michael Martinez: All Hairstyling, Traditional CE last name: R-Z

Mike Brandt: All Career Start, & Formstack Questions

Be INFORMED

Vista Ridge Website : School Info : Class of 2023

<https://www.d49.org/domain/1947>



Vista Ridge Instagram: [VR_We.R.VR](#)

- ▶ Specific Class Announcements
 - ▶ Important Dates
 - ▶ Handouts
 - ▶ QR codes
 - ▶ Graduation information
 - ▶ etc...

Yearbook...

Mrs. Adams - Yearbook Information

Senior Photos Due: Friday November 18, 2022

PICTURE REQUIREMENTS: 2x3 vertical image with a 300 DPI.

The photo **MUST** be a head and shoulders or waist-up portrait style photo (**NO full body images**)

Photos may be cropped to fit these requirements.

- **NO** hats, goggles, sunglasses
- Clothes must follow school dress code (**NO** strapless or crop-tops. **NO** muscle shirts.)
- The use of props is **NOT** allowed in your senior portrait except cars.

DUE: NOVEMBER 18, 2022

ALL PHOTOS WILL NEED TO BE UPLOADED DIGITALLY
THROUGH THIS GOOGLE FORM:

<https://forms.gle/WqfNiPkhCzgY4Vzr9>



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The Senior upload form will ask for high school activities and an optional quote. Please have your information ready for upload. Please type your activities and the grades that you participated in them.

Example: Football 9-12; Student Council 11-12; HOSA 11-12

*****Student's will not have a senior photo in the book if a photo is not loaded by the required date or if the requirements are not met.*****

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SENIOR BABY AD and FRIEND PAGES: Dedicate a Baby Ad to your senior, or purchase a page for your group of friends.

- Easily create your ad through the [Yearbook Order Center](#).

<https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1809190/Vista-Ridge-High-School/>

Vista Yearbook **DOES NOT** create baby ads. Individual baby pictures sent with the senior portrait will **NOT** be accepted or featured in the book. Inappropriate group pages will be removed.

Prices: 1/8 page: \$70; 1/4 page: \$105; 1/2 page: \$175; Full Page: \$305 (Best Value)

DUE: January 15, 2023

Mrs. Adams - Yearbook Information

VRHS Preferred Photographers & Partners

These Photographers & Sponsors have partnered with VRHS to meet the yearbook specifications, guidelines, and deadlines. Please schedule your appointment for your senior portraits.

Most photographers offer their best prices early in the summer.

Jonathan Betz Photography

www.jonathanbetz.com

Email: jon@jonathanbetz.com

719-291-9798

Nichole Lively Photography

www.nicholelivelyphotography.com

Email: nichole@nicholelivelyphotography.com

719-922-0315

Artistic Impressions Photography

www.artisticip.com

Email: kstuckaip@gmail.com

719-597-5097

D&L Photography

<http://devinallen.wixsite.com/d-and-l-photography>

Email: devin_allen@hotmail.com

719-930-2307

Mrs. Adams - Yearbook Information

TO PURCHASE A YEARBOOK:

Order through our [Yearbook Order Center](#).

<https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1809190/Vista-Ridge-High-School/>

Preorders are open from August 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023.

Prices go up throughout the year, the best price is the early price in August!

~If you have any additional questions feel free to email our staff at yearbook.vistaridge@gmail.com

Counseling Team

Make an Appointment

Last Name A-D: Devin Allen dallen@d49.org

Last Name E-K: Stephen Anderson standerson@d49.org

Last Name L-Q: Alexis Corral acorral@d49.org

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Graduation Requirements

- Earn **24.5 credits** *AND* demonstrate **Mastery**
 - 4.0 - English
 - 3.0 - Math
 - 3.0 - Science
 - 3.0 - Social Studies (*must include* American Gov or Civics or AP Comp or AP Gov)
 - 2.0 - Practical Arts (World Language, IT courses, CTE courses, etc.)
 - 1.0 - Fine Arts (Band, choir, theater, painting, etc.)
 - 1.0 - Physical Education
 - 0.5 - Health
 - 6.5 - General Elective credits
 - .5 - Pathways credits

- Math & English

- SAT
- ASVAB
- ACCUPLACER
- Concurrent Enrollment courses
- *Additional opportunities if needed

- All other content areas

- Final Course grade of a C or higher
- Final Exam grade of a C or higher
- Remediation available during PLC on Fridays. If needed you will be emailed!
- *Additional opportunities if needed

Please contact your assigned counselor if...

- You are interested in graduating early (December of 2022). There is a form that you and your parent/guardian will need to sign and turn in by November 4, 2022.
- You need to recover credits for failed courses (and are not already enrolled in Credit Recovery) OR need Mastery Remediation for a 'D'

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Career & College Planning...

Mrs. Julie Fleming, Dean of Career and College Success
jfleming@d49.org 719-494-8810

[Monthly Newsletter](#) sent to Seniors and parents.
Full list of opportunities, upcoming events and dates listed here!

Individualized one on one advising for your unique college and career goals

- Career Planning
- Military Planning
- College Planning

I am here to help you create a vision for your future, and identify the steps to accomplish your goals!

- Most college applications are now open if you want to start college in Fall 2023
 - Apply online through the college webpage or through the CommonApp
- **September 26:** Southern Colorado College Fair, Coronado High School, 5:30pm
- **October 18-20:** Colorado FREE APPLICATION DAYS
- **October 1:** [FAFSA Application](#) opens (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).
- **May 1, 2023:** Decision Day. You must let all colleges know by May 1 where you plan to attend.
- Most Scholarship applications are open from November to March of your senior year, apply early!

[Sign up to meet with Colleges that visit VRHS.](#) (Upcoming: CSU Ft. Collins, UCCS, The University of Alabama, New Mexico State University, and many more).

- Military Recruiters visit VRHS on Thursdays during lunch. Each branch visits VRHS one time per month on a rotating basis.
 - Upcoming: Marines on Thursday, September 29
- The ASVAB is offered at VRHS three times per year; the next test date is Friday September 30, 2022.
 - [Sign up here](#)

“All the Graduation” - Jostens

Jostens -

You can place your order for cap & gown/graduation announcements/senior gear/class rings online at www.jostens.com or at school on Wednesday, September 21 during lunch in the commons.

Contact Info & Measurement Entry

Jostens will need your height and weight for your cap & gown. Please scan and fill out. Note, this does not order your cap & gown, it only reserves one for you. You will order at school or online at www.jostens.com to place your order.



Contact - joe.adducci@jostens.com

Text to 719-633-8228

Order Delivery Timeline

- Miscellaneous Jostens apparel shipped 2-3 weeks after order
- Graduation announcements delivered in February/March
- Cap & Gowns delivered at Capping Ceremony / Senior Slideshow
May 9, 2023.

VR SENIOR TRADITIONS...

Class color is BLACK

VR tradition - Seniors vote for their song, flower, and motto.

These are displayed on Senior Shirts & anywhere else you decide.

Here are the results!

Class flower is

CLASS COLOR IS BLACK.

Spider Lily

**Class of 2023
Survey Results**

Class Song is
"Good Old Days" by Macklemore

Class Motto:
"Go now, and make interesting mistakes, make amazing mistakes, make glorious and fantastic mistakes. Break rules. Leave the world more interesting for your being here." - Neil Gaiman

Vista Ridge Senior Gear... PAIRING WITH JOSTENS

VR CLASS OF 2023 T-SHIRTS AND APPAREL STORE WILL BE COMING
SOON!

NEW THIS YEAR - SENIOR YARD SIGNS - FUNDRAISER
MORE INFORMATION - COMING SOON!

- ▶ Senior Pictures are taken from the yearbook.
- ▶ Baby pictures for the slide show - due in January 31, 2023.
- ▶ Place hard copy with first and last name printed on back in the front office in marked black box.
- ▶ Or hand to Mrs. Fenicle in H202
- ▶ Email to vrclassof2023@gmail.com - If sending digitally, Please submit a jpeg file with the Senior's Name in the Subject Line.

*This is NOT the Yearbook baby picture; this is for Senior Slideshow.

Senior Dates...

September

19 - 23 Homecoming

19 - Peach Fuzz 4:00 - 6:00 pm / Powder Puff 6:00 - 8:00 pm

21 - Sista Vista 7:00 pm

22 - BonFire 8:00 pm

23 - Friday September 23, 5:15 - 6:30 pm, Before the Game!

Vista Ridge's West parking lot by the football field

23 - Homecoming Game 7:00 pm

24 - Homecoming Dance "Disco Fever" 7:00 pm

21 - Jostens here at lunch for orders

October

7 - 1:30 pm - College Fair

November

18 - Yearbook Senior Photos and Quotes Due

21 - Cap & Gown/Grad. Announcement order Due

December

14 - 16 - Semester 1 Finals

January

15 - Yearbook Baby Ads / Friends Pages due

31 - Senior Slideshow Baby pictures due

February / March - Jostens graduation orders delivered.

March

9 - Junior / Senior Academic Awards

April

20 - 6:00pm - 3.75 Award Banquet (By Invitation)

May

6 - 7:00 pm Prom

9 - 6:00 pm Cap-Gown distribution / Capping Ceremony /
Senior Slide Show

10 - 6:30 pm Senior Sunset

17 - 18 - Senior Finals

19 - Senior Finals Make-up Day

19 - Senior Breakfast / Senior Send-off

27 - Graduation

Class of 2023

Have any
questions?
Contact

Mrs. Fenicle

Let's make it a
memorable and fun year!



We R VR!

Break Out Session Locations

6:45 – 7:05

First Breakout session

7:10 – 7:30

Second Breakout session

7:35 – 7:55

Third Breakout Session



Breakout Sessions & Locations

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Room</u>
College Admissions	Jesica Whittaker from <i>UCCS</i>	MPR
Graduation Caps and Gowns	Jostens	Gym
Financial Aid	Libby Fletcher from <i>Colorado College</i>	C121
Graduation Requirements	VRHS Counselors	Commons

Tables

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Location</u>
Yearbook	Andrea Adams	Foyer
Military Recruiters	Military	Foyer
Job Placement Opportunities	Heidi Cephus	Foyer
Pathways	Mike Brandt	Foyer