



## TAM'S ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

**Thursday, September 8  
Gustafson Gym**

**6 pm  
Reception sponsored by PTSA**

Join us for refreshments provided by your PTSA. Parents can pick up schedules in the gym and meet Tam and district administrators, as well as representatives from PTSA, Boosters, Tam High Foundation, ASB and more.

**6:40-8:50 pm  
Classroom visits for parents**

Follow your child's schedule to get acquainted with Tam's instructional program, meet your child's teachers, get contact information, and learn about classroom expectations for the year. Due to the brevity of the visits (10 minutes per class), it is not the time to discuss questions about individual students.

### Classroom visit schedule

1st period	6:40 – 6:50
2nd period	7:00 – 7:10
3rd period	7:20 – 7:30
4th period	7:40 – 7:50
5th period	8:00 – 8:10
6th period	8:20 – 8:30
7th period	8:40 – 8:50

## The Government Inspector


### Conservatory Theater Ensemble's Season Opener

by Susan Brashear, CTE Program Director and Ivy Ryan, Public Relations Manager

CTE's season opens with *The Government Inspector* by Nikolai Gogol. This play allegedly is based on a true story told to Gogol by another famous writer, Alexander Pushkin. It is one of the most well-known Russian dramas and is performed in theaters all around the world.

*The Government Inspector* is a hilarious comedy about a small provincial town filled with con artists, corrupt government officials, and malevolent tricksters. The premise is simple; when the locals in a remote town in Russia learn that an undercover government inspector is coming from the capital for a surprise visit to evaluate and report back about their town, an unfortunate case of mistaken identity sends the village spiraling into a world of panic, greed, and corruption. Witty, smart and wildly satirical, *The Government Inspector* exposes the dishonesty of a secluded town with biting hilarity. As the *Guardian* puts it, "Gogol's splendid satire on greed, corruption and sleaze in not very high places" is sure to keep audiences engaged in the town's chaotic journey until the final curtain.

CTE's production is directed by guest artist Joe Lucas, who directed last year's wildly popular farce, *A Flea in Her Ear*. The play features a large cast of juniors and seniors in the advanced drama program. Student actors and designers hit the ground running as rehearsals started the first day of school. Student designers are busy on working to tie together the larger-than-life situations the characters of *The Government Inspector* become entangled in. The production staff will create a small Russian town in Caldwell Theatre.

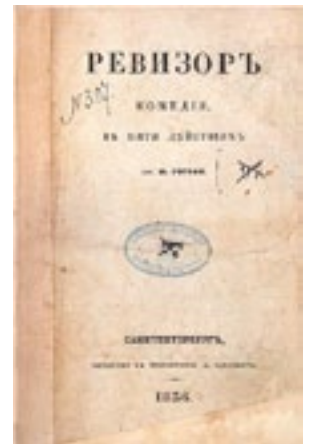
The play opens Saturday, October 1 and runs through Wednesday, October 5. Performances begin at 7:00 pm and are held at the Caldwell Theatre located at the back of Tam's campus. Student and senior citizen tickets are \$5 and adult tickets are \$12. The box office opens at 6:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30 pm and all seats are on a first-come, first-serve basis. No advanced ticket sales. Not to be missed!! 

#### Cast:

Drew Baumert	James Josephson
Anna Civik	Mattie Naythons
Conner Crockett	Sam Raffa
Jon Demegillio	Ivy Ryan
Jackson Floum	Sarah Slain
Lila Hood	Jackson Strike
Gita Isola-Henry	

#### Designers:

Stage Manager	Cesar Ayala
Stage Manager	Noelle Erskine
Set Designer	Ben Beecroft
Light Designer	Joe Weber
Sound Designer	Sami Emory
Costume Designer	Micaela Chavez
Props Designer	Jessie Fontana-Maisel



Cover (first edition) of *The Government Inspector* by Nikolai Gogol

Visit [ctetam.org](http://ctetam.org) for more information.

## Principal's Message

by Tom Drescher

I hope you had a great summer and are as excited as I am about the upcoming school year, which will be my fifth year at Tam. I join the ranks of active students each summer as I work on my doctorate in education at San Francisco State during my "time off". Only a few more years to go and I can truly enjoy my summer vacation, too!

### New staff.

Let's extend a warm welcome to our 11 new staff members:

- Barbara Kurita-Ditz—English
- Hans Goto—Library
- Ryan Fedoroff and Laurie Hailer-O'Keefe—Math
- Erin Lawley and Nate Severin—Physical Education
- Lara Corkrey, Ben Matzen, and Grace Prender—Science
- Preston Picus—Special Education
- Susan Smith—World Languages.

The majority of these new positions were required to meet our continuing enrollment growth; 1250 students were enrolled as of the first day of school, about 100 more than last year. We also needed to replace three departing faculty members: Alex Pribble and Sophie Chuang, who left to pursue other opportunities, and Michael Rosloff, who retired.


### Key Dates: Back to School Night (September 8) and Community Open House (September 17)

Please mark your calendars for Back to School Night, Thursday, September 8, as well as Tam's Community Open House on Saturday, Sep-



New staff from L to R: Grace Pender - Science, Nathan Severin - Physical Education, Lara Corkrey - Science, Ben Matzen - Science, Preston Picus - Special Education, Laurie Hailer-O'Keefe - Math, Barbara Kurita-Ditz - English, Erin Lawley - Physical Education, Ryan Fedoroff - Math. Not pictured: Hans Goto - Library, and Susan Smith - World Languages.

tember 17. While you will meet your student's teachers on Sept. 8, the tight timeframe that evening necessitates a rather whirlwind tour of the campus. We hope you will return on September 17 for a fun family day with a host of great activities including tours, a tennis-tournament, a bouncy house for the kids, and delicious food offered by Tam Boosters. It's also an opportunity for us to welcome community members and thank them for their continued support of our schools, including the recent bond measure that is responsible for our beautiful facilities.

I know I speak for all Tam staff when I say that we are looking forward to making this a great school year, focusing on student learning and developing our collective capacity as effective educators. Your children could not have a more committed and talented staff to engage them on their learning path this year. The Tam community is a great one! Thank you in advance for your support this school year. 

## From the Vice Principal

by Chad Stuart, Assistant Principal

### Attendance Policy

Absences must be reported within 24 hours of the absence. If an absence is not reported within 24 hours, it becomes an unexcused absence. Report all absences to Johnnie Daniel in the attendance office at 380-3592. You can refer to the Student/Parent Handbook for a list of excusable absences. Remember, vacations are unexcused absences.


### Student Drop-Off

• Safety on campus is a chief concern at Tam. This includes student drop-offs in the mornings. Please obey the laws of the road when dropping off your student. Here are a few items to keep in mind in the mornings:

• In the drop-off zone in front of Gus Gym (off Miller Avenue) please pull your car forward as far as you can before you drop your student off. Cars that stop before they reach the gym create a traffic jam for cars behind them.

• Do not stop your car on Miller Avenue and drop your student off at the curb.

• If you use the Miller parking lot for a drop off, please drive counter clockwise around the oval and stop in the drop-off zone in front of the pool. Please do not drive in the wrong direction in the parking lot or cut through parking spots for a quicker exit. The same rules apply when using the back parking lot.

• Please DO NOT drop students off in the driveway on Gomez Avenue. Cars stopping for drop-off on Gomez Avenue create a major safety issue. 

### Parent Volunteers Opportunities

<b>Need:</b>	BookKoo Food Booth September 24 and 25	<b>Need:</b>	Tam High Foundation Many tasks
PTSA Campus Beautification Weeders September 10 at 9 am	<b>Contact:</b> Diane Swartz at dianeswartz@hotmail.com	<b>Contact:</b>	info@TamHighFoundation.org
<b>Contact:</b> Just come to the front of campus	<b>Need:</b>	PATH Marketing - newsletters, flyers, promotions	<b>Contact:</b> RoseAnn Frank at roseannfrank@comcast.net
<b>Need:</b>	PATH Mill Valley Arts Festival		

## From the PTSA President

by Gwen Hubbard

Welcome back to a new school year! On behalf of myself and the entire PTSA 2011/2012 Executive Board, we welcome and encourage all our students, parents and staff to join the PTSA, get involved, and help us make this another great year at Tam High.

Please join us for our first meeting Wednesday, August 31 at 7 pm. in the Student Center. The Tam administrative team, and Leslie Wachtel, our past PTSA president, will be there. It will be a great opportunity to meet the administrative team, ask questions about Tam, connect with fellow parents, and learn about your student's high school. We will also have sign up sheets for the various areas that need volunteers throughout the year. Volunteering is an engaging and beneficial way to get involved in the Tam community.

We had a great response to our emails asking for help to get this year off to a smooth start, and a heartfelt thanks go to the many fantastic volunteers who

1. helped assemble 1500 first day packets in July;
2. organized and ran the freshman BBQ on August 12, with a special thanks to Deborah Dilley who chaired the event;
3. helped with registration, photo ID and schedule pick up on August 15 and 16; and
4. baked treats and assisted with the Back to School coffee on August 16.

In this issue, you will find a schedule of our PTSA meetings for the coming nine months. We will have speakers and topics that are relevant for parents of high school students at each of our meetings. Please join the Tam High PTSA if you have not already done so, using the form included in this newsletter. We work hard to help make Tam an exceptional learning community, but we need YOU to help us make a difference!

Feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns or comments at any time throughout the year at gwenhubbard@comcast.net.

## PTSA Campus Beautification Team

### Benefield Hall Sparkles

Our campus beautification team worked hard to get Benefield Hall power washed and painted in time for the 2011 graduation. Over the summer, the team did additional washing and painting of retaining walls. Work continues in September when the street side of Benefield Hall and one retaining wall will be power washed. Many, many, thanks to the Tam Alumni Association which donated the funds for all the supplies and paint, the King family for their power washer, and Troy Pribyl for all his time and effort.

### Weeders Wanted!

Our campus has sprouted many weeds over the summer. The campus beautification team would love your help on Back to Tam Day, Saturday, September 10th. Join us beginning at 9 am, bring your student(s), meet other parents, and help the alumni association and PTSA refresh the campus for the Community Open House.

Questions? Can't make Sept. 10? Email gwenhubbard@comcast.net for additional information or to join our beautification team!

## Tam High PTSA Event Dates for 2011-2012 School Year

### PTSA MEETINGS

**Wednesday, August 31**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

**Wednesday, October 5**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center  
Parcel Tax Presentation

**Wednesday, November 2**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

**Tuesday, November 30**  
7 pm, Mill Valley Golf Clubhouse  
State of the School and Fireside Chat

**Wednesday, January 5**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

**Wednesday, February 1**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

Peer Resource student panel: alcohol, drug & sex discussion

**Wednesday March 7**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

**Wednesday April 4**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

**Wednesday, May 2**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

**Wednesday May 30**  
7 pm, Tam High Student Center

### OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

**Thursday, September 8:** Welcome Back PTSA Reception and Back To School Night  
6 pm at Gus Gym

**Saturday, September 10:** Back to Tam Day, BBQ and PTSA Beautification Workday

**PTSA PARENT EDUCATION**  
**Saturday, October 22**  
Parent Ed Conference in conjunction with Mill Valley Middle School 9 am at Tam High Student Center

**PTSA FUNDRAISERS**  
**Early December**  
PTSA Holiday Plant Sale

**Early June**  
PTSA Senior Congratulatory Balloon Bouquets

**PTSA STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**  
**Friday, March 23**

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MAKING THE DIFFERENCE

## The Tam High Foundation: Supporting Excellence and Innovation at Tam High

by Deborah Miller, Tam High Foundation Communications Chair

A new school year stretches before us at Tam High. A year of potential and promise, of learning and knowledge, of joining together to help our students become all they can be.

How can parents help our students reach their full potential? By supporting the Tam High Foundation!

The Tam High Foundation was established in 1996 to foster academic excellence and innovation in education for every student at Tamalpais High School. The Foundation accomplishes this by funding academic and student life programs across the Tam High campus. Over its history, the Foundation has invested almost TWO MILLION DOLLARS in programs at Tam High. The Tam High Foundation truly enhances the high school experience for every student.

You will hear from the Foundation in various ways throughout the year and will recognize us by the Foundation logo that showcases a landmark of our school: the Tam High clock tower. Our logo is on our materials and our website (tamhighfoundation.org), where you may learn more about the Foundation and the many grants awarded.

Of course, the Foundation is composed of volunteers and supporters and we ask you to get involved.

**We need your help and can promise your participation will be meaningful. Please:**

- Donate to our Tam High Foundation Annual Parent Campaign! Your donations are more critically important than ever. State budget cuts have resulted in Tam District budget cuts which reduced funding to Tam High. To retain and increase excellence and innovation, Tam teachers need our support now more than ever.

Our calculations show that a total annual donation of \$600 per student, or just \$60 per month, will significantly help your student at Tam everyday. You may pay in full or pay in monthly installments.

We strive for 100% participation of all Tam families so please give at the \$600 per student level if you can, or at a level comfortable for you, but please give!

- If you have a business, become a Tam High Business Partner! Your business will be listed in the Tam High Foundation Directory distributed to the families of our more than 1200 students;
- Participate in the local shopping program by registering or renewing your registration for e-Scrip;
- Volunteer your time – contact the Tam High Foundation Office at the e-mail address (below) and let us know you would like to volunteer. You will meet other Tam parents and learn more about our school. We need volunteers for many tasks, small and large!

**Tam’s students need and will greatly appreciate your support—thank you.**

For more information about the Tam High Foundation or to donate, please contact us. To donate online: Visit our website at TamHighFoundation.org To mail your donation, send to:

Tam High Foundation  
700 Miller Avenue  
Mill Valley, CA 94941

To volunteer or if you have questions, contact us:  
By e-mail: [info@TamHighFoundation.org](mailto:info@TamHighFoundation.org)  
By phone: (415) 380-3565



Taking Studio Arts in new directions  
PATRONS OF THE ARTS AT TAM HIGH

**Patrons of the Arts at Tam High (PATH) is off to a good start...**

Thank you to the families who already donated to our membership drive and signed up to volunteer this year. PATH is a parent-run organization whose mission is to ensure that students benefit from a real world arts education that connects them to the community and provides meaningful learning experiences.

**We can only do this with your support.**

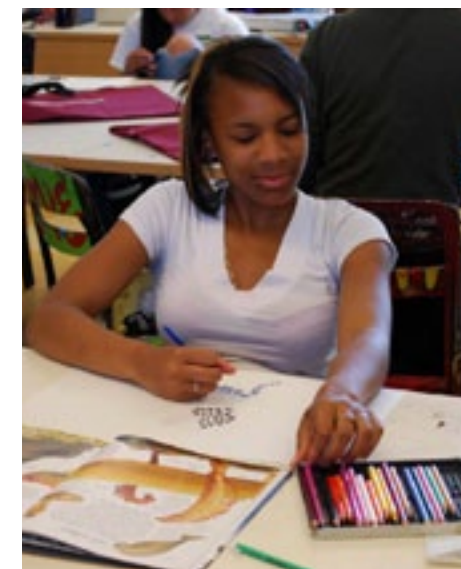
This year teachers will not ask students to buy or donate art supplies. PATH will supplement district funding of the arts. By buying in bulk, we get the benefit of buying art supplies at a rate discount –and you get the benefit of a tax deduction for your donation.

We invite everyone to join us, especially those whose children are students in the visual arts. Return the form below, or contact Jeanne Moe, PATH Secretary at moe@agentmoe.com.

**Get involved. Volunteer!**

Our first PATH meeting will include light refreshments and a bit of social time. All meetings start at 5:30 pm and are located at Tam High in Phoenix Room 400 unless noted below:

- September 22, 2011 at Frank residence, 86 Vista del Sol
- October 20, 2011
- November 17, 2011
- December 15, 2011 holiday celebration at Frank residence
- January 19, 2012
- February 16, 2012
- March 22, 2012
- April 19, 2012
- May 17, 2012 meeting/year-end party at Frank residence



**Join PATH– please complete this form and send it to:**  
PATH, c/o Tam High School, 700 Miller Avenue, Mill Valley, CA 94941  
Questions? Email: Jeanne Moe, PATH Secretary, at moe@agentmoe.com

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Student(s)/Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_


Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**I will make a tax-deductible contribution. Enclosed is my check made payable to PATH.**  
(Donations above the Art Membership level sponsor students who are unable to give at this time.)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 Art Membership                      \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Art Donor  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$250 Art Advocate                      \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 Art Benefactor  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000 Art Connoisseur                      \_\_\_\_\_ Other Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**My employer will match my donation. Enclosed is my matching gift form.**

**I am interested in helping with:**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fundraising Events                      \_\_\_\_\_ Field Trips  
\_\_\_\_\_ Art Exhibitions/Supplies                      \_\_\_\_\_ Marketing



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## News from the College and Career Center

by Susan Gertman, College and Career Specialist—[sgertman@tamdistrict.org](mailto:sgertman@tamdistrict.org) 380-3582

### College and Career Center Services

The College and Career Center has information on colleges, financial aid, scholarships, college admissions tests, volunteer opportunities and part-time jobs. For the most current information about college and career events, check the daily bulletin at [www.tamhigh.org](http://www.tamhigh.org).

### Senior College Seminar October 6

Tam will sponsor a seminar for college-bound seniors and their parents on Thursday, October 6, at 6:30pm at the Mt. Tamalpais United Methodist Church, 410 Sycamore Avenue, across from Mill Valley Middle School. Tam counselors will provide important information such as how to obtain letters of recommendation and send transcripts. A college admissions officer will discuss how colleges read applications and view the admissions process. College-bound seniors and their families are encouraged to attend.

During the fall semester the College and Career Center sponsors a number of special events for seniors including workshops on the early decision/early action process, writing the personal statement and completing the University of California and California State University applications.

### PSAT

**Juniors and Sophomores:** The Preliminary SAT, or PSAT, will be given at Tam on Saturday morning, October 15. The PSAT is designed to help students become familiar with the SAT and may help to improve future scores. Juniors who took the PSAT last year are strongly encouraged to repeat it this fall.

Students may sign up September 12 through September 23 in the

counseling office during breaks, lunch and after school. The \$35 fee is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to Tamalpais High School. Complete information will be mailed home this month.

### PLAN

Sophomores will have an opportunity to take the PLAN, a practice version of the ACT exclusively for sophomores, on December 3. Colleges accept the ACT equally with the SAT. More information will follow.

### SAT & ACT REGISTRATION DATES

Students may sign up online for the ACT at [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org) and SAT at [collegeboard.com](http://collegeboard.com). Students cannot take the SAT and the Subject Tests on the same day. Register early for a convenient test site. Tam is not a test site.

Students applying to the University of California must complete all testing by December. Certain impacted California State University campuses, including San Diego and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, require or prefer students to complete testing by November. For more information on the admissions requirements of the California State University and the University of California, go to: [csumentor.edu](http://csumentor.edu) and [universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions](http://universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions).

**Fee waivers** are available for eligible juniors and seniors who cannot afford SAT or ACT fees. Students who receive fee waivers may also be able to waive some college application fees. Talk with your counselor if you think you may be eligible.

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Please clip this schedule and keep it for future reference

SAT and Subject Testing Dates for 2011-2012		
Test Date	Registration Deadline (Regular Fee)	Late Registration Deadline (Late Fee)
October 1	September 9	September 21
• November 5	October 7	October 21
December 3	November 8	November 20
January 28	December 30	January 13
•• March 10	February 10	February 24
May 5	April 6	April 20
June 2	May 8	May 22
• The Language Tests with Listening are offered only in November		
•• SAT Reasoning Test only		
ACT Testing Dates for 2011-2012		
Test Date	Registration Deadline (Regular Fee)	Late Registration Deadline (Late Fee)
October 22	September 16	September 30
December 10	November 4	November 18
February 11	January 13	January 20
April 14	March 9	March 23
June 9	May 4	May 18

## News from the College and Career Center *Continued from page 6*

**Students with Learning Disabilities:** Students with IEPs who wish to take the SAT or ACT should contact their academic workshop teacher or case manager to start the application process for an accommodation. Students with a 504 or regular education accommodations need to see their counselor. It takes six to eight weeks for the SAT or ACT to process an accommodation request. Parents of juniors and seniors needing accommodations are strongly urged to begin the process immediately.

### College Representatives at Tam

Many college admissions representatives visit Tam to meet with students. Seniors and juniors are urged to take advantage of these opportunities. Students need a pass from the Career Center and permission from their teacher to attend a college meeting during class time.

These schools have already made appointments to visit Tam: American, Boston University, Brown, Bryant, Cal Arts, Colorado State, George Wash-

ington, Gonzaga, Hamilton, Haverford, Linfield, Middlebury, Mt. Holyoke, Northeastern, NYU, Oregon State, Pitzer, Pomona, Seattle, Scripps, Skidmore, St. Lawrence, St. Mary's, Suffolk, Swarthmore, Tufts, Tulane, Union, U of Alabama, U of British Columbia, U of Denver, U of Puget Sound, U of Rochester, U of San Diego, U of Vermont, UC Santa Barbara, Washington U St. Louis, Vanderbilt and Western Washington.

### Work Permits

Work permits expire in August. Students under 18 need to get a new work permit whether starting a new job or continuing a summer one. All jobs except babysitting and yard work require work permits. Work permits can be obtained from the College and Career Center.

### Job Board

Do you have a job at home or at work suitable for a Tam student? Call the College and Career Center at 380-3582 and we'll post it on the job board. You will be helping Tam students earn work experience and extra money.



## An Exciting New Season of Plays for CTE in 2011-12

by Susan Brashear CTE Program Director and Ivy Ryan, Public Relations Manager



Jon Demegillo studies his lines

Sam Raffa practicing the mandolin



Enthusiasm for CTE's fall shows is beginning. Tam's student theater company, Conservatory Theatre Ensemble (CTE), will present both classic plays as well as modern fare in the upcoming season. The all student-run theater company is busy with its annual performances, as well as fundraising events to provide guest artist instruction and opportunities for design and production for all the shows.

The plays offer something for everyone. CTE advanced students perform in featured full-length plays. They also participate as designers, stage managers, and technical staff for all CTE productions.

### Full-Length Plays and Performances

The season opens with an outrageous satire, The Government Inspector, followed by an epic story adapted from Homer's The Odyssey. In November, improvisation will be the fare when every night will offer something different and unexpected in CTE's Improv Show.

Beginning in March, CTE will present Jane Austen's classic Pride and Prejudice. This play is sponsored by the Tam High Foundation Family Theatre Grant. An edgy, new adaptation of the well-known Cinderella story, The Ash Girl will follow. In April, the final production will be Rhinoceros, a wild absurdist play by the great Eugene Ionesco. The wide variety is sure to offer audiences plenty of surprises, laughs and drama.

### One Acts

Additionally, the company produces two one-act festivals directed by students in the advanced drama program, a rigorous honors theater directing course. These festivals feature first and second year students in short plays that are an outgrowth and culminating experience each semester. These one-act festivals are widely popular, producing many sold out performances. The first festival is in January; the

second in May. The spring festival features one acts written by previous and current students.

All performances are held in the Caldwell Theatre located at the back of Tam's campus. Dates and times of performances can be found online at [ctetam.org](http://ctetam.org). Please note the schedule is different from previous years; it has been adapted for holiday and other Tam schedule conflicts.

### Other Events

CTE student volunteers will operate the Fall Arts Festival Face Painting Booth in September. This is an early CTE fundraiser for the company. Kids can get their faces painted near the playground at Old Mill Park during the festival September 24 and 25. Stop by and say "hello" at this very fun festival that features the best of local artists.

This will be our biggest year yet with the largest number of students enrolled; a banner year for students and teachers is ahead of us. Keep an eye on our Tam Family articles to learn more about CTE students, guest artists and alumni news in the months to come. See the CTE calendar on the next page, to see the rest of our season and watch for the upcoming articles about the shows happening at CTE over the year. Check out our website [ctetam.org](http://ctetam.org) for more details and information.



## CTE 2011-2012 SEASON

<b>The Government Inspector</b> by Nikoli Gogol <i>Directed by Joe Lucas</i>	Oct. 1- 5
<b>The Odyssey</b> by Homer / Adaptation by Hattie Naylor <i>Directed by Julianna Rees</i>	Oct. 24-28
<b>Dance-A-Thon</b> A CTE fundraising event for all CTE students	Nov. 5
<b>Long Form Improv Comedy Show</b> <i>Directed by Regina Saisi</i> <i>Sponsored by Tam High Foundation Family Theatre Grant</i>	Nov. 17-21
<b>The Winter One Act Festival</b> Classic & Contemporary Short Plays <i>Produced/Directed by Advanced Students</i>	Jan. 6-8,10-14,17-21
<b>Pride and Prejudice</b> <i>Directed by Susan Brashear</i> <i>Sponsored by Tam High Foundation Family Theatre Grant</i>	Mar. 5-10
<b>Ash Girl</b> by Timberlake Wertenbaker <i>Directed by Julianna Rees</i>	Mar. 29- Apr. 2
<b>London Trip CTE Global Studies Trip</b>	Apr. 1-13
<b>Rhinoceros</b> by Eugene Ionesco <i>Directed by Robert Ernst</i>	Apr. 24-29 (no show April 26)
<b>Spring One-Act Festival</b> New Works <i>Produced/Directed by Advanced Students</i>	May 8-11, 15-19, 22-24
<b>Drama Banquet</b>	TBA May/June

All Performances at the Daniel Caldwell Theatre @ 7 pm Visit [ctetam.org](http://ctetam.org) for updates

## News from Leadership

by Chelsea Springer, Leadership Advisor

School started early for the leadership class commissioners and Associated Student Body (ASB) officers, who met for a preparatory meeting on August 11th to plan and organize for the upcoming year. The 4-hour retreat included a dinner catered by Sol Food - yummy!


During freshman orientation and fall registration, Leadership members distributed Spirit Pack merchandise to new and returning students, including new blue and red American Apparel zip-up hoodies, a blue crew neck, and all new senior wear which included an Apocalypse trucker hat.

## Mark your calendars

The Welcome Back Rally will take place on Friday, September 2. Get ready to show your Tam pride as we celebrate the beginning of another fantastic school year. The Fall Blood Drive will take place in the Student Center on Monday, September 26, and Club Day will be in Centennial Square (outside Lower Keyser) on Friday, September 23.

## Homecoming

Class committees are working on a Homecoming theme so stay tuned. This year's Homecoming game is Saturday, October 29, versus Terra Linda High School. The Homecoming Rally will take place on Friday, October 28.

Overall, the Leadership class is looking forward to a promising year full with excitement and new opportunities for all students to get involved. 

## FALL 2011 TAM SPORTS

Team rosters have been finalized, practice schedules set, and athletes are hard at work. Tam fields are teeming with excitement and the promise of a great season fills the air. Fall sports at Tam are in full swing! Here's a list of our fall teams:

## Cross Country (Coed)

Varsity Coaches Bob Friedlander and Sylvia Goodman

## Football

Varsity Coach Jon Black  
JV Coach Eddie Savino  
Frosh Coach Ted Cosgriff

## Girls Golf

Varsity Coach John Haight

## Boys Soccer

Varsity Coach Dustin Nygaard  
JV Coach Perry Hammond

## Girls Tennis

Varsity Coach Bill Washauer

## Girls Volleyball

Varsity Coach Casey Mondragon  
JV Coach Elana Casalnuovo  
Frosh Coach Brian Rodas

## Girls Water Polo

Varsity Coach Katie MacLean  
JV Coach TBA

## Boys Water Polo

Varsity Coach Bob Kustel  
JV Coaches Rob Parnow and Ryan Canepa

## Cheerleading (Coed)

Varsity Coach Sheri Ivory

## Club Sports

Sailing  
Mountain Biking  
Dance Team

## Fall Sports at Tam Kick Off with a Celebration!

In late August, Tam Boosters and the Tam Athletic Department introduced what we hope will be a new Tam tradition, the presentation of the MCAL and NCS championship banners. These banners, presented at the fall team meeting held on August 29, will be hung at Tam athletic fields and symbolize the hard work and achievements of Tam athletes. As teams came together to launch fall sports, it seemed fitting to take a moment to acknowledge these past accomplishments. The following Tam teams received banners:

- Boys Soccer – 2010 MCAL
- Girls Tennis – 2010 NCS D-II
- Girls Soccer – 2011 MCAL
- Boys Tennis – 2011 MCAL
- Boys Swimming – 2011 MCAL

Also, the following students were acknowledged for their accomplishments:

- Chelsea Hayashi – Girls Tennis individual NCS Championships
- Miguel Mattox – Boys Swimming MCAL 500 Freestyle
- Kai Brewer – Boys Diving individual MCAL Champion



Come to a Tam Athletic Event!

Tam athletes appreciate the support of their entire Tam community. Please show them you care by attending a Tam sporting event. Take a look at the following home schedules and come out in your Hawk colors to support our teams!



Varsity Coach Dustin Nygaard  
with just one of our banners.  
Photo courtesy of Jim Welte at patch.com

# TAM ATHLETICS

## FALL SPORTS HOME SCHEDULE 2011

### Varsity Water Polo

Day	Date	Opponent
Tue	Aug 30	vs. San Rafael High School Pool-A
Thu	Sep 1	vs. Marin Catholic High School Pool-A
Thu	Sep 8	vs. Sir Francis Drake High School
Fri	Sep 9	vs. Acalanes Invitational
Sat	Sep 10	vs. Acalanes Invitational
Thu	Sep 15	vs. Novato High School
Tue	Sep 27	vs. San Marin High School
Thu	Oct 6	vs. Terra Linda High School
Fri	Oct 14	vs. Western States Tourney
Sat	Oct 15	vs. Western States Tourney

### Varsity Cross Country

Day	Date	Time	Opponent
Thu	Sep 1	TBA	vs. Stinson Beach Relays
Thu	Sep 22	4:00PM	vs. Marin Catholic/ Drake/ San Marin High School
Thu	Oct 6	4:00PM	vs. Terra Linda/Branson
Thu	Oct 20	4:00PM	vs. San Rafael/Redwood Redwood
Thu	Oct 27	4:00PM	vs. Novato High School Camino Alto Open Space

### Varsity Football

Day	Date	Time	Opponent
Sat	Sep 17	2:00PM	vs. Sonoma Valley High School
Sat	Sep 24	2:00PM	vs. Redwood High School-Larkspur
Sat	Oct 22	2:00PM	vs. Marin Catholic High School
Sat	Oct 29	2:00PM	vs. Terra Linda High School
Sat	Nov 5	2:00PM	vs. San Rafael High School

### Boys Varsity Soccer

Day	Date	Time	Opponent
Mon	Aug 29	4:00PM	vs. Jesuit High School (Bruce Grant Field)
Fri	Sep 9	4:30PM	vs. San Rafael High School
Fri	Sep 23	4:30PM	vs. Sir Francis Drake High School
Tue	Sep 27	4:30PM	vs. Terra Linda High School
Thu	Oct 6	4:00PM	vs. Marin Catholic High School
Fri	Oct 14	4:00PM	vs. Justin Siena High School
Tue	Oct 18	4:00PM	vs. Novato High School
Thu	Oct 20	4:00PM	vs. San Marin High School

### Girls Varsity Volleyball

Day	Date	Time	Opponent
Tue	Aug 30	6:30PM	vs. Sonoma Valley High School
Thu	Sep 1	6:00PM	vs. Galileo Academy of Science and Technology
Fri	Sep 16	6:30PM	vs. Terra Linda High School
Wed	Sep 21	6:30PM	vs. San Marin High School
Mon	Sep 26	6:30PM	vs. Marin Catholic High School
Fri	Sep 30	6:30PM	vs. Novato High School
Mon	Oct 10	6:30PM	vs. Branson School
Fri	Oct 14	6:30PM	vs. Redwood High School-Larkspur
Tue	Oct 25	6:30PM	vs. San Rafael High School

### Girls Varsity Golf

Day	Date	Time	Opponent
Thu	Sep 8	3:30PM	vs. San Marin/Redwood MV GC
Wed	Sep 14	3:30PM	vs. Novato/Terra Linda MV GC
Mon	Oct 3	3:00PM	vs. Branson/Justin-Siena MV GC
Wed	Oct 12	3:00PM	vs. Marin Catholic/Drake MV GC

### Girls Varsity Tennis

Day	Date	Time	Opponent
Tue	Sep 6	4:00PM	vs. Justin Siena High School
Fri	Sep 9	8:00PM	vs. California HS Girls - Clovis
Sat	Sep 10	8:00PM	vs. California HS Girls - Clovis
Tue	Sep 13	4:00PM	vs. Terra Linda High School
Tue	Sep 20	4:00PM	vs. San Rafael High School
Thu	Sep 22	4:00PM	vs. Branson School
Fri	Sep 30	4:00PM	vs. Marin Catholic High School
Tue	Oct 4	3:30PM	vs. Sir Francis Drake High School
Tue	Oct 11	3:30PM	vs. San Marin High School
Tue	Oct 18	3:30PM	vs. Redwood High School-Larkspur

All schedules subject to change.  
TAM ATHLETIC BOOSTERS



## TAM BOOSTERS 2011-2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Email: 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

### My student participates in the following:

Football Soccer Tennis Swimming Water Polo Lacrosse Track Golf Baseball

Basketball Softball Volleyball Diving Wrestling Cross Country Cheerleading

Club Sports: Sailing Mtn Biking

### MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Member (Individual) \$50 – Supports Boosters and includes free admission to all regular season home football/basketball games for 1 Tam student or 1 family member

Varsity (Household) \$125 – Supports Boosters and includes free admission for 2 or more household members to all regular season home football/basketball games

Varsity Plus \$150 – Supports Boosters and includes Varsity level benefits for two households.

Hall of Fame \$250 – Support Boosters and includes free admission for entire household to all home football/basketball games PLUS 2 adult tickets to Annual Crab and Pasta Feed

Business Banners \$425 (new) \$325 (renewing) – Includes banner with your business info, Designed to your specifications, displayed at the Football Field in the fall, In Gus Gym during basketball season, at the Baseball Field in the spring. Plus free admission to all regular season home football/basketball games

Community \$25 – For households with no students at Tam, includes free admission for one person to regular season home football/basketball games

Additional Donation to Boosters General Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Donation to Specific Team Account ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you have not already joined Boosters, the first \$50 of your team donation will be applied toward an Individual Tam Booster Membership.

The Annual Boosters Senior Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Donation to the Tam Athletic Hall of Fame \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member Scholarships are available. Please check here to apply. \_\_\_\_\_

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:** Please circle areas of interest.

Team Parent • Snack Bar • Uniforms • Hall of Fame  
Crab Feed • Fan Wear

**Please make check payable to Tam Boosters and mail to:**

TAM BOOSTERS 700 Miller Avenue Mill Valley, CA 94941



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PTSA  
 Tamalpais High School  
 700 Miller Avenue  
 Mill Valley, CA 94941

Return Service requested

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time/Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
2	9:45 AM - STUDENT WELCOME BACK RALLY	Mead Theater
5	NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY	
8	BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT 6:00 PM - PTSA-hosted reception 6:40-8:50 PM - Classroom visits	Gus Gym
9	12:35 PM DISMISSAL - MINIMUM DAY	
10	BACK TO TAM ALUMNI DAY 9 AM - Campus Beautification NOON - Free Picnic Barbeque	Front of Campus
14	7 PM - BOOSTER MEETING	Tam Library
12-23	PSAT REGISTRATION	Counseling Office
13	7 PM - TUHSD BOARD MEETING	Kreps Conference Center - Redwood HS
17	10 AM-2 PM - COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE	
19	NO SCHOOL - STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	
22	7:00 PM - THUMB MEETING	Band Box
22	7:00 PM - PATH MEETING	Frank Residence - 86 Vista del Sol
23	END OF R1 GRADING PERIOD	
23	CLUB DAY	Outside Lower Kaiser
24-25	MILL VALLEY ARTS FESTIVAL CTE Face Painting Fundraiser, Tam Student Art Show, and PATH Food Booth Fundraiser	Old Mill Park
26	ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE	Student Center
<b>OCTOBER 2011</b>		
1-5	CTE PRESENTS: GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR	Caldwell Theatre
4	7 PM - TUHSD BOARD MEETING Study Session: Governance Workshop	Kreps Conference Center - Redwood HS
5	12:35 PM DISMISSAL - MINIMUM DAY	
5	7 PM - PTSA MEETING Parcel/Tax Presentation	Student Center
6	6:30 pm - SENIOR COLLEGE SEMINAR	Mt. Tamalpais United Methodist Church
11	7 PM - TUHSD BOARD MEETING	Kreps Conference Center - Redwood HS

For details and updates, check the calendar on the Tam High website: [tamhigh.org](http://tamhigh.org)