

The ANHS Link

Read About Allied National High School

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About.com recently wrote an article about Allied National High School. The author is unaffiliated with Allied Business Schools, and offered an unbiased perspective on our program. We have included segments of the article below to give our readers an idea of what was written. To read the full text of the article and provide feedback please visit the website.

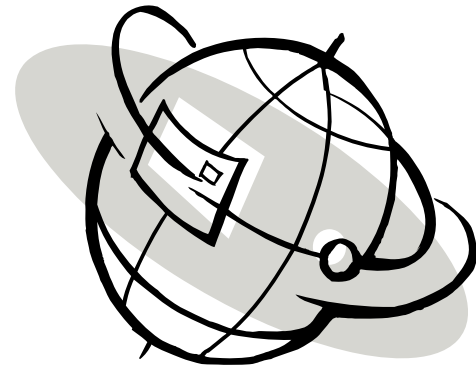
"Helpful College Prep Guidance, Limited Electives"

*By Jamie Littlefield,
About.com*

"Students attending Allied National High School benefit from a structured college-prep curriculum but have access to a limited number of electives."

"The Ideal Allied National High School Student"

Allied National High School has programs targeted towards many types of students including those



who want to take a few classes, earn a diploma, or continue on to college."

"Students who thrive on interaction are likely to enjoy the discussion boards and daily student / instructor communication... Many find that regular interaction keeps them engaged in their work and helps them avoid falling behind. Students are able to complete courses at their own pace (up to one year), which is a preferred format for many self-

motivated learners."
"Elective... Choices are limited to psychology, sociology, and vocational topics."

<http://distancelearn.about.com/od/virtualhighschools/fr/ReviewAlliedNa.htm?nl=1>

The Director's Chair

Summer Program

ANHS is now accepting enrollments for our accelerated summer program. This is a perfect opportunity to make-up credits or to get a head start on the next school year. All courses are offered throughout the year and all our instructors will be available throughout the summer months.

College Bound Students

College bound students should check admissions requirements for the particular school to make sure your course selections are appropriate. Please also make sure that you register for all college entrance exams in a timely manner to ensure that your scores are reported on time.

ANHS is a member of the College Board which is located online at <http://www.collegeboard.com>.

Allied National High School's College Board code is **054148**. See http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/score_choice.html for more information on the new SAT Score Choice program.

Student Spotlight

Name: **Laura Steinke**

Grade: 12

What state do you live in?
Colorado

Why did you decide to attend Allied National High School? We moved my junior year and I really didn't like the public school here so I decided to try online school. I ended up liking it much better than public school and it gave me a lot more time for snowboarding.

What is your favorite part of school? The flexibility is the best part and I feel like I learn so much more than I ever did at public school.

What are your plans for after high school? To go to college and hopefully major in elementary education.

What do you want to do for a living? Become a teacher.

Do you have any hobbies? Snowboarding, hiking, camping, snowshoeing, reading, and playing the piano.

Do you have any pets? Two dogs and a cat.

What is your favorite book? *Paper Towns* by John Green.

What was your favorite trip? I've been to Europe

and China and absolutely loved both places, but I think China was my favorite because it's so different from the U.S. and I was able to learn so much.



"Tell me and I'll forget. Show me, and I may not remember. Involve me, and I'll understand."

Native American
Saying

Instructor Spotlight

Name: **Mark E. Jimenez**

Years of teaching experience: I am in my 10th year of teaching.

What state do you live in? The great state of Nevada! In Las Vegas, of course.

Why did you choose to teach at Allied National High School? I have a wife and four beautiful daughters. My wife has decided to stay at home with our little girls, ages 5, 4, 4, and 18 months, until they all reach school age. Life on a teacher's income alone is hard. I decided to supplement my income by looking for online high school's to teach at. Allied was one of the first that popped up, and when I was contacted about the opening, I jumped at the opportunity.

What was your major in college? Math Education at the University of Southern California! Go Trojans!

What was your favorite trip and why? Wow. My favorite family trip was when we went up

to Santa Rosa to a place called Safari West. That was awesome, we stayed in a little tent right next to the animals. Very cool and I highly recommend it for anybody looking for a vacation. After that we drove down to Yosemite and spend a few days there. Just a great trip all around. My favorite personal trip was when a couple of friends and I flew up to South Bend to catch the 2005 USC vs Notre Dame classic. That was the "Bush Push" game, for those of you familiar with college football. The final play happened right in front of me, and my friends and I went crazy. There is nothing quite like USC football!

Do you have any hobbies?
What are they? Does work count as a hobby, because I always seem to be working. I like to mountain bike when I can, but right now my schedule is pretty full. Besides being a father to four young girls and working at a brick and mortar school and an online school, I am also working on a Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership

degree. Life is never dull!

What is your favorite book?
The Princess Bride, S. Morgenstern's classic abridged by William Goldman. Hehehe, if you've read the book you know the joke. If you haven't, then run out and buy the book right now.

Do you have any pets? So many pets. 2 big dogs (an English Mastiff that weighs about 180 pounds and a yellow lab weighing in around 90 pounds). 2 cats. I really don't like cats, they are for my wife. And some fish. We used to have a couple of guinea pigs and a tortoise as well.



WASC World

Allied National High School is preparing for our next site visit from WASC. We recently scheduled the official date for the visit. We will be visited on March 1-3, 2010 by a visiting committee for the purpose of evaluating our self study report and determining our next accreditation term. That may seem like it is far away, but there is much to

be done before our visit!

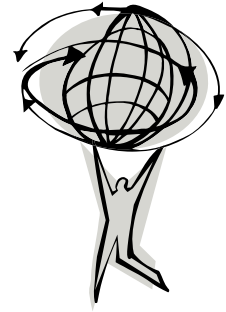
We will continue to meet monthly with the Committee of the Whole and prepare our Self Study Report in the coming months.

There is a need for students and parents to participate in our process. We want to make sure that all stakeholders in the

school participate in this process. As the visit gets closer we will also be looking for volunteers to meet with our Visiting Committee Members during the visit for interviews.

For more information on how you can participate, please contact the Dean of Instruction at:

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FYI...

Did you know that there is a form of note taking that improves reading comprehension skills? This amazing note taking technique is called **Cornell Notes**.

To take Cornell Notes follow these steps:

1. Create a two-column table in your word processor.
2. Give your table a title.

3. The left-hand column will contain the key words and concepts
4. The right-hand column will contain the notes taken first about the text being read.
5. Upon completion of a Section from a Lesson, Clarify unclear concepts right there in your notes.
6. At the end of each Section of text, write a summary of the notes taken from at the bottom of the last page for that section.

To see another explanation and a picture of what this process should look like, please click on the following link:

<http://cssdesigns.com/learningtoolbox/cornell.html>

College Prep: Becoming a Well Rounded Applicant

In order to ensure that your application will stand out in the sea of college applicants that apply to colleges and universities each year it is imperative that you are seen as a well rounded student. Being a well rounded

student means that not only do you have an excellent academic record and GPA, but that you participate in activities, volunteer, and that you are seen as an active member of your school community. Research

suggests that "well rounded" students stand a much better chance at succeeding in college than students with only a stellar academic record; which is why colleges and universities look for evidence of this on your

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application.

If this article is starting to stress you out because you do not have anything to add to your application to prove that you are indeed “well rounded” do not fret; take a deep breath. There are several activities that you can participate in now, that you can add to your application just in the nick of time.

You can participate in our National Honor Society, DET, if you have a 3.67 GPA or better and are a full time student with us. You can participate in our essay contest, and if you get published in the newsletter you can add that to your application as well. Another fantastic way to stand out on an application would be to participate in our online monthly WASC

meetings. Joining our Committee of the Whole would help you stand out as a volunteer that cared about their school, and understood the value of an accredited institution.

If school activities aren’t for you then join a club, write a letter to the editor, or volunteer in your community.

You still have time!

Core Values

Allied National High School has many core values that are woven into our program and curriculum. One such value is more of a skill, but if a student leaves our program valuing and possessing this skill they will be successful.

I am describing time management. Students quickly learn that being able to manage their time is a skill that they will need to succeed in our program.

From the day a student enrolls in our school they

are given course deadlines. From that day forward students become a master of goal planning and scheduling. Some students take a longer time to fully grasp this concept than others, but when a student graduates from our school we are proud of the fact that they are prepared for post secondary school, their career, and for life by having obtained this skill at our institution.

This skill will make planning college course schedules a breeze. Also,

having excellent time management listed on a resume will certainly be valued by future employers.

Life is full of deadlines, and Allied students are prepared to rise to the challenge and do so in a timely manner!

If you have a story to share about time management or any other value that is part of your life. Please contact the Dean for details on how you can be published in our next newsletter!