



FOX VALLEY LUTHERAN HS

FVLHS ANNUAL REPORT - 2023 Calendar Year

WHAT'S HAPPENED SINCE JANUARY 2022?

- The 70th year in FVL's history opened under the theme "Overflow with Hope" based on Romans 15:13.
- Opening enrollment was 742 students, up from 669 in 2020-21.
- In April, Mr. Nathan Nolte was presented with a 2022 Fox Cities Chamber's Excellence in Education Shining Star Award for "Excellence in Career and Technical Education."
- FVL's September 20 Giving Day was an important step in meeting our annual *Let the Children Come* mortgage payment. Over \$170,000 was generously given to close out the \$475,000 due by October 31. Praise the Lord for his goodness, and thanks to the many donors who made this possible.



SPRING 2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- FVL Theatre presented Disney's *The Little Mermaid*. This year's show did not earn any ensemble awards; however, several student actors received individual awards: Erik Van Kampen (pictured), Kyra Johnson, Tim Bienert, and Gavin Nortch. Additionally, Director Wendy Bixby was honored with an Influential Educator Award.
- In February, the FVL Cheer & Stunt team attended Nationals in Florida for the first time in school history.
- In FBLA, FVL placed 5th overall in State competition. Sixteen students qualified for Nationals.
- FVL FoxFest Dinner Auction helped raise over \$150,000 for Tuition Assistance needs.
- FVL had a number of students make it to state for the track meet. They were led by **Cavan Dobberstein**, who medaled three times including a fourth place finish in the 100 hurdles.
- The girls soccer team claimed the conference championship for the second year in a row.



FALL 2022 SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS



Clue (High School Edition)

- FVL Theatre's Fall production of *Clue* (High School Edition) was seen by over 2,200 people.
- In fall sports, volleyball enjoyed a strong season, finished 2nd in conference, and lost to Lux-Casco in the Regional Final. Football finished 4th in conference and qualified for the playoffs for the 8th consecutive year. Both cross country teams enjoyed strong seasons, with girls finishing 3rd at sectionals and 3rd in conference. Boys soccer secured the conference title at 7-0-1, finished the season at 14-3-2, and won the Regional title against Waupun. Three athletes qualified for State in girls tennis: Olivia Pethan (3rd in Singles), Jessi Griepentrog, and Amelia Segelstrom.
- Both boys and girls basketball teams have been enjoying strong seasons. Senior Emily Jaenke broke the school's record for all-time high scorer during a game on January 6.
- Coach David Wenzel reached 500 wins on January 17, when our girls basketball team won at home against Waupaca. Congratulations, and thank you for the many years of dedication to FVL athletes!
- FVL's annual observance of Veterans Day was held on November 11. Rev. Brad Krause led the service, and guest speaker, Lt Col Matt Clausen (FVL class of '92), gave a presentation on his service in the USAF.

Homecoming Queen, HaYoung Lee, was escorted by Ethan Melso.



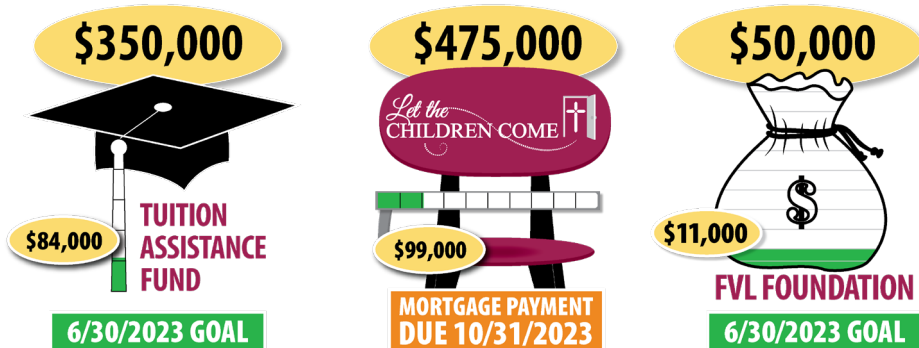
STAFFING NEWS

- June saw the retirement of five teachers: Mrs. Kristin Black, Mrs. Karie Mindock, Mrs. Denise Schlawin, Mr. Matt Schlawin, and Mr. Tim Bentz.
- In addition, three staff have resigned this year to pursue other employment: Mrs. Darlene Utke (Custodial), Miss Deanna Kolell (Communications), and Mrs. Dawn Stiller (Guidance).
- Mrs. Melissa Stein was hired as a Mission Advancement Assistant. Mrs. Rose Heimmermann began working as our Admissions Assistant. Filling both of these roles allowed Mrs. Shayne Clausen to focus on coordinating events. Mrs. Bonnie Kruse was hired as the Canteen Manager and oversees the Custodial Team, while Mr. Matthew Schlueter was hired to serve as Facilities Assistant. Mrs. Heather Vadalla has been hired as FVL's Commons Supervisor.
- In the classrooms, Mrs. Jill Dolan (art), Mr. Paul Hoffman (technology), Mr. Joshua Kren (science), Dr. Katie Luebke (English), Mrs. Aimee Melso (science), Mr. Kyle Melso (Spanish/history), Mrs. Renee Pastorek (Student Services), and Mrs. Katie Stein (Student Services) all joined the faculty to meet the needs of growing enrollment. In addition, Mr. Nathan Schleef (Latin) and Mr. Gregg Schreiber (Woodworking) have been given teaching roles.
- In Administration, Mr. Mark Stein has become the dedicated Athletic Director, while Mr. Shawn Hill remains the Activities Director.

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FINANCIAL NEWS



- Because of increased congregational support, savings on certain expenses, and governmental assistance in funding grants due to the pandemic, FVL has finished the past three years with a surplus budget. The current 2022–23 budget is projected to be a surplus again due to an increase of nearly 20 students over the summer of 2022.
- FVL's Tuition Assistance program is one way donors can make the dreams of a Christian high school education come true for teens whose families would not otherwise be able to send their children to FVL.
- Our *Let the Children Come* fund gathers donations for FVL's annual \$475,000 mortgage payment, which comes due every October 31.
- The FVL Foundation was established with a special gift in 1967. This fund, now approximately \$4,500,000, supports FVL by providing tuition assistance, faculty continuing education, support to Mission Advancement, and non-budgetary needs at FVL.



Tickets for the FVL Theatre's spring musical performance will be available in early February. Performances Friday, Saturday, Sunday, March 3, 4 & 5

AROUND CAMPUS

- Funding has been received to fill in the pits and add 85 lockers to the atrium area of campus during the summer of 2023.
- Phase One of both the parking lot and roof replacement projects were completed the summer of 2022.
- Fundraising is on-going to continue work on Phase 2 of the roof project in the summer of 2023.

LOOKING AHEAD ...



FOX VALLEY LUTHERAN HS
OPEN HOUSE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20
6:00-8:00 PM

FVL Open House – Monday, February 20 from 6:00–8:00 PM (primarily for 5th–8th grade students/parents)



Discover FVL! – Wednesday, March 29 from 9:45 AM–2:15 PM (for all 7th grade students)



FoxFest Dinner Auction – Friday, April 14 at 5:00 PM (theme is “Platinum Celebration”)