



# Highlights

**Winter 2016** 

#### Fall Sports Round-Up

WCV Athletics would like to thank all of the parents, community members, volunteers, teachers, maintenance workers, groundskeepers, bus drivers, and Board of Education members who facilitate and support the Athletic Program at West Canada Valley. We would also like to praise all of the WCV athletes for their hard work, determination and commitment to their teams this past season!!!

WCV had a very successful fall, our football team tied for first place in their division and had another huge victory over Dolgeville helping to rekindle the fierce Battle of Barto Hill rivalry that started in 1961. Our girls soccer team finished 2nd in their division and made yet another trip to sectionals. Our X-Country teams saw their best successes in program history with the boys running very competitively in every meet and our girls modified program finishing the season undefeated. Our girls swim



team broke 2 school records this season and several other records are poised to fall in the upcoming season. Our modified participation numbers are through the roof and the future of WCV athletics looks brighter than ever!

#### Students Donate to ECAD

Many thanks go out to the 8th graders in Mr. Pullman's social studies classes who donated a package of baby wipes to ECAD in honor of Veterans Day. ECAD stands for, "Educated Canines Assisting with Disabilities." ECAD trains service dogs for people with a variety of needs; among which included returning war veterans who cope with PTSD. They can always use baby wipes to help keep the puppies clean and fresh.

Later on this school year, the 8th graders will participate in an interdisciplinary project between social studies and ELA which will center on reading a book called, "Until Tuesday."

"Tuesday" is the name of the service dog that is assigned to the author of the book, Luis Montalvan. Tuesday received his training at ECAD, which is located in Dobbs Ferry, NY.

#### **Holiday Concerts**

Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> **Winter Concert I** –7:00 PM
( K & 2nd Grade)

Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> **Winter Concert II** – 7:00 PM
(Jr & Sr Choruses & Bands)

Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> **Winter Concert III** – 7:00 PM
(Elem Band & Chorus, Select
Chorus)

Wednesday Dec21st—Concert Snowdate

#### WCV Athletics News

#### Register for Sports Online!



WCV Athletics has also started to use FamilyID this winter. FamilyID is a secure web-based service that allows you to register your children for school sports. We successfully completed 183 online registrations for winter sports.

FamilyID not only saves paper and time, but it allows you the flexibility to register your children at a time that is convenient for you. For more information on this service, we encourage you to visit the school webpage, click on the athletics tab, and then click on the FamilyID link.

#### **Facilities Use**



The buildings and grounds of the West Canada Valley Central School District are open to the community for non-profit use, but because of the busy schedules kept by our student groups and interscholastic sports program, a building use form *must* be completed and submitted to the high

school office **2 weeks** prior to anticipated use. Completing the form does not guarantee building use. Please call Mrs. Borden at x300 if you have questions.

#### Student Lunch Accounts

Just a reminder to please keep an eye on your student(s) account so a negative balance doesn't creep up on you and become another holiday bill in January!



#### **Attention Senior Athletes**

There is an NYSPHSAA essay contest currently underway. This is an opportunity open to all senior athletes who meet the application criteria. Top prize is a \$2,500 scholarship. We have posted application information on the BLOOMZ app and we have been handing this information out to senior athletes during the school day. The deadline is November 29th so get your entries in soon to have an opportunity to win this MAJOR award.

#### **CSC Scholar Athlete Information**

Applications for the CSC Scholar Athlete award are available in two different locations. When you log into your FamilyID account you can fill out and submit the application online just like you did for your winter sports registrations. Or, your son/daughter can come and request an application from the Athletics office. Complete the hard copy at home and then deliver the application to the Athletics Department at school. Please call or email if you have any questions.

#### Boosters Boys Basketball Holiday Tournament Schedule

**Tuesday**, 12/27

Game	Time	Home Team	Away Team
JV	1:30	Fort Plain	CVA
JV	3:15	WCV	South Lewis
Varsity	5:00	Fort Plain	CVA
Varsity	6:45	WCV	South Lewis

#### Wednesday, 12/28

Game	Time	Home Team	Away Team
JV Consolation	1:30	Loser WCV/SL	Loser FP/CVA
JV Championship	3:15	Winner FP/SL	Winner FP/CVA
Varsity Consolation	5:00	Loser WCV/SL	Loser FP/CVA
Varsity Championship	6:45	Winner WCV/SL	Winner FP/CVA

Admission is \$2.00— Ages 12 and under are free Concessions will be available in the High School Cafeteria

#### **Boys Varsity Basketball**

This years Boys Varsity Basketball team is coached by second year head coach Dustin Cool. Last years team finished the season with a record of 14-7. Key moments last season: Winning the WCV Boosters tournament by knocking off Class A Central Valley in the championship game, losing a heartbreaker in overtime to eventual Class D state champions Oriskany, and suffering a last second knockout loss to Madison in sectionals. This years team has 12 players including 4 seniors and they have their sights set on avenging losses to league rivals Oriskany and New York Mills. Good luck Boys!!!

#### **Girls Varsity Basketball**

This years Girls Varsity Basketball team is coached by 4th year head coach Brian Ellis. Last years team finished with a record of 16-6. This incredibly young team of 10 girls only has one senior on the squad. Key moments last year: Big win at NYM by a score of 50-42, and a season ending loss to Watertown IHC in sectionals. This team looks to challenge all league competition early on this season as they have a great shot at contesting for a league title this winter. Go get 'em ladies!!!

#### **Varsity Indoor Track**

This years Varsity Co-Ed Indoor Track Team is coached by 4th year head coach Feddie Sarus and 4th year Assistant Coach Jason Burke. This years team has 42 athletes including 14 seniors and 15 new Indoor Track athletes. Last years team finished second in Class C/D Sectional Competition. Last seasons tough moment was a loss to our neighboring district Poland. All Indoor track meets this year will be hosted by Utica College in their tremendous new Indoor Track Dome. This years team looks to be a major powerhouse in the C/D division yet again. Lets go WCV!!!!

#### **Varsity Bowling**

For the first time in 5 years, WCV will host a Girls and a Boys bowling team. All home matches will be rolled at R&D Gorge View Lanes in Little Falls. This years bowling teams will be coached by 5th year head coach Corey Youngs, and the teams consist of 29 bowlers with 3 senior boys and 1 senior girl. Since it has been 5 years since WCV last had a bowling team, the major point of emphasis this year is to learn the game of bowling and improve team and individual results as the season progresses. Good luck WCV Bowlers!!!

#### **Varsity Cheer**

This years cheer squad is coached by first year head coach Brittany Crossett. The team has 17 cheerleaders including 6 seniors. Our cheer team will be present at all boys JV/Varsity basketball games and they will perform in 3 team cheer Invitationals prior to competing at Sectionals later this winter. With many athletes carrying over from the fall football season, our cheer squad is primed to do well in their competitive cheer invitationals this winter. Good Luck WCV Cheer!!!



Check out the WCV website to see the most up to date complete list of ALL sporting events!

www.westcanada.org

# Schedules are subject to change so please check the Athletic Department website for the most up-to-date sports schedules.





#### **Boys Varsity Basketball**

Date	Time	H/A	Opponent		
11/16	5:30	Н	Canajoharie ***		
11/18	5:30	Α	@ OESJ ***		
11/23	12:00	Н	Fonda ***		
12/1	7:30	Α	@ Herkimer		
12/8	7:00	Α	@ New York Mills		
12/12	7:00	Н	Frankfort-Schuyler		
12/15	7:30	Α	@ Town Of Webb		
12/17	3:30	Н	Oriskany		
12/19	7:30	Α	@ Poland Central		
12/21	7:00	Н	Little Falls		
12/27	TBD	Н	<b>Holiday Tournament</b>		
12/28	TBD	Н	<b>Holiday Tournament</b>		
1/3	7:00	Н	Remsen		
1/5	7:30	Α	@ Owen D Young		
1/10	7:00	Н	Herkimer		
1/17	7:30	Α	@ Little Falls		
1/20	7:00	Н	New York Mills		
1/26	7:00	Α	@ Frankfort-Schuyler		
1/31	7:00	Н	Town Of Webb		
2/1	7:00	Н	Owen D Young		
2/3	7:00	Н	Poland Central		
2/7	7:30	Α	@ Remsen		
2/13	7:00	Α	@ Oriskany		
	*** Denotes a scrimmage				

#### **Girls Varsity Basketball**

Date	Time	H/A	Opponents
11/21	5:30	Н	OESJ ***
11/22	5:30	Α	@ Frankfort ***
11/29	7:00	Н	Herkimer
12/2	TBD	Α	Sec2 vs Sec3
12/3	TBD	Α	Sec2 vs Sec3
12/9	7:00	Н	Canajoharie
12/13	7:00	Н	New York Mills
12/16	7:00	Α	@ Oriskany
12/19	7:00	Α	@ Canajoharie
12/29	TBD	Α	LF Tournament
12/30	TBD	Α	LF Tournament
1/6	6:00	Α	@ Hamilton
1/9	7:30	Α	@ Herkimer
1/12	7:30	Α	@ Cooperstown
1/17	7:00	Н	Poland
1/19	7:00	Н	Cooperstown
1/24	7:00	Н	Canastota
1/30	7:00	Α	@ New York Mills
2/2	7:00	Н	Oriskany
2/6	7:30	Α	@ Poland
2/9	7:00	Н	Hamilton
2/11	2:30	Α	@ Canastota
***Denotes a scrimmage			

### Winter Sports Schedules

	Indoor Track					
Date	Time	H/A	Opponent			
12/16	4:30	Α	@Utica College			
12/27	10:00	Α	@Utica College			
1/6	4:30	Α	@Utica College			
1/13	4:30	Α	@Utica College			
1/20	4:30	Α	@Utica College			
1/27	5:00	Α	@Utica College			
2/3	4:00	Α	@Utica College			
2/10	4:30	Α	@Utica College			

Date	Time	H/A	Opponent
12/1	4:00	Α	@ Sauquoit
12/6	4:00	Α	@ Adirondack
12/8	4:00	Α	@ Holland Patent
12/13	4:00	Н	S-E
12/15	4:00	Α	@ Clinton
12/20	4:00	Н	Canastota Schools
12/22	4:00	Α	@ Cooperstown
1/4	4:00	Н	Waterville
1/5	4:00	Α	@ Herkimer
1/10	4:00	Н	Little Falls
1/11	4:00	Α	@ New York Mills
1/17	4:00	Α	@ S-E
1/19	4:00	Н	Clinton Central
1/24	4:00	Α	@ Canastota
1/26	4:00	Н	Cooperstown
2/2	4:00	Α	@ Waterville

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Date	Time	H/A	Opponent
1/26	4:30	Α	@ Oriskany
1/28	9:30	Н	New York Mills
1/31	4:30	Н	Town Of Webb
2/2	4:30	Α	@ Poland
2/4	9:30	Н	Oriskany
2/6	4:30	Н	Holland Patent
2/8	4:30	Н	Remsen
2/10	4:30	Н	Adirondack
2/13	4:30	Α	@ Town Of Webb
2/15	4:30	Н	Poland Central
2/17	4:30	Α	@ Holland Patent
2/28	4:30	Α	@ Remsen
3/2	4:30	Α	@ Adirondack
3/4	9:30	Α	@ New York Mills

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Date	Time	H/A	Opponent
1/28	9:30	Α	@ Westmoreland
1/31	4:30	Α	@ UASCS
2/2	4:30	Н	Poland Central
2/6	4:30	Α	@ Holland Patent
2/8	4:30	Α	@ Remsen
2/10	4:30	Α	@ Adirondack
2/13	4:30	Н	UASCS
2/15	4:30	Α	@ Poland Central
2/17	4:30	Н	Holland Patent
2/28	4:30	Н	Remsen
3/2	4:30	Н	Adirondack
3/4	9:30	Н	Westmoreland



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#### **Reminders and Important Dates**

- If you do not already receive BLOOMZ updates, please request an invite from the athletics office by emailing Ed Dougherty at edougherty@westcanada.org or calling 845-6800 X-357.
- Please make sure you have created a FamilyID account to register your child/children for school sports. For more information on FamilyID please visit www.westcanada.org and click on the "Athletics" tab.
- If your child is a senior athlete, please encourage them to enter the senior athlete essay competition sponsored by NYSPHSAA. Deadline is November 29th, see Mr. Dougherty for more information.
- Encourage your varsity athletes to apply for the CSC scholar athlete award. This application can be found on FamilyID.
- Spring Sports start date is March 6th. Registrations for spring sports will open up on December 1st and close on January 31st. Please make sure you log into FamilyID and complete your registration during this timeframe. No registrations will be accepted after January 31st. The reason for the early deadline is to ensure that we have all medical paperwork, APP testing and participant information finalized prior to the start of the spring season.
- Please makes sure that the school nurse has the most recent copy of your child's yearly physical information. Physicals are good for one calendar year and they must be current and on file for your child to be eligible to participate in school sports.
- GAA Banquet is Tuesday, June 6th at 6:00 PM
- BAA Banquet is Wednesday, June 7th at 6:00 PM



#### Stay Connected With WCV Sports!

This Fall, WCV Athletics created a BLOOMZ account to share important sports information, news, schedule changes, and scores. So far we have 154 registered members who utilize the Bloomz app.

The feedback we have received thus far is very positive and I encourage anyone who would like to receive these notifications to email edougherty@westcanada.org or call the school at 845-6800 X-357 to request an invite to the school community. Once we get your request, you will receive an invitation that will allow you to download the app and create an account.

#### Student Recognition

#### October 2016

Isabella Coriale - Global Studies, Mr. Sarus - Isabella is a terrific student. She comes to class prepared and ready to learn each day. She is conscientious, respectful, polite, and has a great attitude. Her grade point average and work ethic are impeccable.

Jenna DeSantis - Math 8, Jenna is an all-around model student. She walks in every morning with a cheery "Good Morning", excels in ALL that she does, and is willing to help others when they need it. I could not ask for more! Thank you Jenna!

Kadence Gage – Instrumental Music, Mr. Bonney - Kadence has adapted well to the middle school environment in the first quarter as a seventh grader. Musically she is contributing with confidence in daily band rehearsals, with some of the best effort and focus in her trumpet section, and she is also making progress at each lesson in both her skill/tonal development and near completion of her method Book 1. Excellent start to the year Kadence!

Kadence Gage – Math 7, Ms. Kalwara - Kadence is a pleasure to have in class! She is always willing to participate and help others. Keep up the great work!

Victoria Grann - ELA 8, Mrs. Lang - All of Victoria's work is well done, especially her written work which is always thoughtful and insightful. She is a pleasure to have in class!

Emi Hughes – Spanish II, Mrs. Foster - Emi is a wonderful student and she is always eager to push herself to be better. I am very grateful to have Emi in my class this year she is helpful and pleasant to all her classmates. Keep up the hard work Emi!

Aidan Maxwell – Spanish I, Mrs. Kraszewski - Aidan puts forth great effort in everything we do in class. His hard work and enthusiasm for learning the language is greatly notable and appreciated. He is a wonderful role model student. Muy bien Aidan. Keep it up:)

Lydia Reimer – Home & Careers 7, Mrs. Malin - Lydia is a pleasure to have in class. She puts forth her best effort daily and goes above and beyond to help out fellow students when needed. She is an excellent role model. Keep up the good work!

Aleeshea Tyson - Health, Mrs. Tuzzolino - Aleeshea is an all-around great student who is prepared and responsible!

Margarita Vilovchik - Global Studies, Mr. Sarus - Margarita has quietly earned one of the higher averages among her class. She is responsible and always completes her work at a high standard. Her grade point average is excellent and her attention to detail is appreciated.



#### West Canada Valley Central School

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#### **District Office**

Mr. DJ Shepardson Superintendent 315-845-6800 Fax: 315-845-8652

#### **Business Office**

Ms. Kelley Crossett Business Manager

#### **Elementary School**

Mrs. Correne Holmes Principal

#### Junior/Senior High School

Mr. Jeremy Kozak Principal

#### **Coming Events**

December 7 Winter Concert I (K-2) 7:00 PM

December 12
Board of Education Meeting
7:00 PM

#### December 14

Winter Concert II 11th & 12th Chorus/Bands 7:00 PM

#### December 20

Winter Concert III Elementary Band /Chorus 7:00 PM

#### December 23– January 2 Winter Recess

Vinter Recess No School

January 9
Board of Education Meeting
7:00 PM

## January 16 Martin-Luther King Jr Day No School

**January 24-27**Regents Examinations

Be sure to check the WCV webpage for the most up-todate events and times.



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#### **Alumni Banquet**

We are planning the Alumni Banquet for **May 13th, 2017**. The dinner has been moved to a new location this year and we are very excited about it. The Utica Maennerchor Hall, 108 Flanagan Road, Marcy 13403, 738-5882. This will be a new place to start having our special night with a home cooked meal and spacious dining area. Please save the date and enjoy a new journey.

We would love to see all of our alumni and hopefully the classes we have not seen in a while . Any questions: Email Meta Elwood (melwood@westcanada.org).





Students in Mrs. West's class complete a Thanksgiving writing assignment.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM ALL OF US HERE AT WEST CANADA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL!**