

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY



CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Home of the Cougars * Winter 2023

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear SVCS Families and Community,

We have had a very busy and productive start to our school year. As you can see in this issue, we have so much taking place in our schools. Providing students with a well-rounded education through rigorous instruction, a variety of extracurricular programs and athletic opportunities ensures our students will be well prepared when they graduate from Stockbridge Valley Central School District.

NEW PARTNERSHIPS:

We have forged a number of new partnerships this year. These include partnerships with the Manufacturer Association of Central New York (MACNY), SUNY Morrisville and Onondaga Community College (OCC). The MACNY partnership will allow Juniors and Seniors hands-on career exploration, networking and future apprenticeships. The partnership with SUNY Morrisville will provide SVCS students the opportunity to take a number of college courses on the SUNY Morrisville campus. Our partnership with OCC focuses on providing college credit bearing courses in Electromechanical Technologies. These new partnerships will provide our students with authentic learning opportunities in today's ever-changing job market.

UPCOMING VOTES:

ON TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

Stockbridge Valley CSD residents will have the opportunity to vote on two propositions.



PROPOSITION 1 - CAPITAL PROJECT AND PROPOSITION 2 - BUS REFERENDUM

CAPITAL PROJECT: As you know, capital improvements are essential to providing a safe, high-quality learning environment for our students. Our District and Board of Education are committed to continued and ongoing improvements that address all facets of our District. While we have completed a number of projects over the years, it is necessary to continually update and improve our facilities to meet the evolving needs of all learners. You will hear more about this in the coming weeks.

BUS REFERENDUM: This year we will be proposing the purchase of one 65 passenger school bus and one 28 passenger school bus. These will replace Bus #103, (2011 bus with 76,156 miles) and Bus #108 (removed from service and sold May 2022). Regular replacement of buses and school vehicles over the past few years has allowed the district to reduce its maintenance costs, thus creating significant savings for District taxpayers.

I would like to thank each of you for your commitment to our District and programs. Working together, we will continue to provide the best educational opportunities for our students. I look forward to your continued support. Collaboration as a community makes us stronger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Corey Graves".

Mr. Corey Graves,
Superintendent of Schools

SVCS MISSION/VISION

Mission: We empower students through education.

Vision: We embrace a culture of respect and support that allows every student to recognize their worth, realize their purpose, cultivate their passions and achieve their ultimate potential.

GREETINGS FROM THE 7-12 PRINCIPAL

Happy New Year Stockbridge Valley families and community members. My hope is that 2023 brings great success, ease to the challenges we face, and tremendous opportunities, to all of our students, their families, the faculty and staff, and community members alike. The new year always brings me such optimism and here at SVCS, I look forward to the opportunities that have been afforded to our students in the upcoming months, including:

MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL NEW YORK (MACNY) AND PARTNERS FOR EDUCATION AND BUSINESS (PEB) PARTNERSHIP

Fourteen juniors and seniors have recently had the opportunity to attend Briggs and Stratton in Sherrill, NY for a tour of their manufacturing facility. Through the MACNY/PEB partnership, our students will continue to tour job sites and gather career and technical insight into the manufacturing opportunities in our region. These students will also be presented with the expertise of Human Resource representatives from these industries to help students refine resumes and cover letters, and participate in mock interviews. Seniors in this program will participate in a Career Fair with competing industries to potentially offer our students summer internships and job opportunities upon high school graduation.

STEAM AHEAD IN THE VALLEY

This is a night filled with hands-on activities, science experiments, and engineering demonstrations, with a bit of an artistic twist. All students are invited to share in the learning, curiosity, and wonder of this evening. Currently, this event is scheduled for March 16, 2023, from 5 -7 p.m.

James Peterson and Nick Smith are pictured on the USA High School Clay Target League National Championship website cover photo.



NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY AND NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION

In February, we will be inducting our Honor Society students who have earned this recognition for their academic merit. The Honor Society philosophy rests upon four pillars: leadership, service, character, and scholarship. Students who accept membership are committing their time and service to others, through community service projects and individual service projects.

Congratulations to our art show winners, Eleis Roark, Devin Smith, and Mya Morris for their submissions to the Scholastic Art Competition through the advisement of Mrs. Mary Beth Maguire. Competing against hundreds of student submissions, these students won in areas of photography and mixed media. This year's annual art show will be March 16, 2023. We hope you are able to stop in and show your support for the creative and artistic outlet our students have to offer.

We are so grateful to the students, staff, administration, families, community members, and the SVCS Board of Education for their continued support of the many programs offered to our students. Without their hard work and dedication to get these programs and events off the ground and persistence to keep them running, we wouldn't be able to offer so many opportunities to our students. Thank you all for your dedication.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lisa Hopkins
7-12 Principal



SENIOR ATHLETES RECOGNIZED

This winter we recognized 15 senior athletes and their families. Coach Webb recognized four Senior Varsity Volleyball Athletes: Abby Reed, Rowan Cady, Peyton Graham and Caeleigh Harrington. Coach Faduski had the opportunity to recognize five Senior Varsity Girls Basketball Athletes and their families; Alissa Mazzye, Alexis Mazzye, Abby Smith, Bri Tehan and Layla Jayson. Finally we wrapped up the Senior Night with Boys Varsity Basketball and Coach Renner recognizing five of his seniors and their families; Seth

McHugh, Nick Hofmeister, Ben Jantzi, Charlie Cross and Tristan Ellerbruch.

On behalf of the Athletic Department and the entire coaching staff, I would like to congratulate all of these terrific young men and women and wish them the best of luck and success in their future plans!

Mr. Mark Kiser
Athletic Director

CONGRATULATIONS TO SVCS KODA VOLLEYBALL AWARDEES

KODA is a Juniors USA Volleyball & JVA club for athletes ages 8-18 desiring to grow their skills in competitive volleyball. KODA means friendship.

Avery Ellerbruch has been awarded the Julie Bigger Scholarship (\$300), and a Cougars Scholarship (\$100.) The connection to Avery's creativity and drive contributed to the scholarship application decision process. Her scholarship application was beautifully written, and Avery's creativity and passion for the game is inspiring.

Julie Bigger Scholarship (1) - \$300 applied to tuition, presented to a returning KODA athlete. Julie Bigger was an original member of KODA in the late 1980's. Like many things KODA faded as life happened for the original KODA crew, and the club was not active for many years. Julie Bigger had children of her own and wanted her children to have the opportunity that she had. Julie brought a Juniors Volleyball Club back to the area in 2017. It was her fearless desire to give kids like her own the opportunity to grow in the love of the sport of volleyball that made it happen. The awardee is someone who demonstrates pure passion, who possesses drive and grit, is someone who fights for their spot on the court, who gives their all. Just like Julie did in 2017, the awardee is someone with fire in their veins to dig down and make it happen.

Myah Pizzuto has been awarded the Founders Scholarship (\$300), and a Cougars Scholarship (\$100.) The awardee is someone that has shown commitment to the club, who always shows respect, and provides encouragement and guidance to younger KODA athletes. Application is required. The Founders scholarship mentions commitment to the club, respect, as well as someone who provides encouragement to younger athletes. Myah promoted the club and encouraged another to join, exactly the kind of energy and spirit of our founders Wil and Dean Curtis! Her passion for the game and the commitment to the club is what makes KODA strong!

Founder's Scholarship (1) - \$300 applied to tuition, presented to a returning KODA athlete. This scholarship is in honor of Wil and Dean Curtis. Where there is a will there's a way, when boys volleyball isn't offered at your local school, when you find a sport that you love, when you can identify, engage, and mobilize others regardless of their gender who just want to play ball - you form a volleyball club. That is what Wil and Dean Curtis did in 1988 and that is when KODA was born.

Siena Marzan has been selected to receive a Cougar Scholarship (\$100) and has also been gifted (\$200) in order for her to continue to play through the KODA Season on the U18 Home Team. This includes the cost of one uniform (\$50 value).

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KODA Cougars Scholarship (5) - Up to \$100 for any athlete participating from Stockbridge Valley. This scholarship is to honor the school district for their commitment to their local athletes and the athletes in surrounding areas. Thanks to Stockbridge Valley Central School for allowing KODA Club the use of their wonderful facilities. Funds that would have been allocated to the cost of a facility are redirected back to Stockbridge Valley athletes wishing to participate in KODA Volleyball Club.

Special Note:

Paige Webb - Is in her 6th year as a KODA athlete - is a member of the U18 KODA Home team and has

demonstrated dedication and commitment to the club. Other KODA members include Devyn Bingel (2nd year) Aspen Tucci (3rd year) and Tim Bernet (2nd year).

Ray Webb (Varsity Coach and Stockbridge Valley Alumni)- has been a coach with KODA since 2019, and now serves as the Lead Coach for the KODA Central Club Location at Stockbridge Valley. Ray is a cornerstone of the KODA Volleyball Club.

(All KODA scholarships are by application.)

AROUND CAMPUS



Eighth grade CO2 cars racing down the halls of SVCS in Mrs. Waldron's Technology class.



Local ceramic artist, Jessica Hofmeyer visited Mrs. Maguire's Studio Art classes. She told the students how she created a career as an artist and showed them examples of her work. Studio Art students just finished their camouflage clay tea pot project.



I am YETI for 2023 bulletin board.

HONOR ROLL NOVEMBER 2022

6TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Devynn Bingel
Gauge Churchill
Jasper Clark
McKenzie Davis
Avery Ellerbruch
Kaitlyn Fowler
Joey Jones
Ryleighann Kern
Marshal Moot
Myah Pizzuto
Hunter Relyea
Levi Shea
Tucker Wallace
Blake Wilson

HONOR

Maddy Backer
Hunter Cady
Karalynne Carmon
Christopher Chapin
Shyleigh Elford
Alex Flaherty
Bianca Hartle-More
Areyahna Homer
Freda Josephs
Jacob Tysco

7TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Anna Baker
Logan Cady
Serenity Chapin
Chance Craft
Jayden Croniser
Madison Divens
Sean Franklin-Whaley
Brystal Gillespie
Collin Hartle
Aven Hofmeyer
Ernest Moot

Liam Plasse
Lena Snyder
Maiya Trew

HONOR

Kiernan Berger
David Bonvicino
Teagan Grow
Abigail Hopkins

8TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Lyla Cross
Gregory Eddy
Alyssa Fisher
Colton Kiehn
Addisyn Mendez-
Martin
Paislee Stevens
Aspen Tucci

HONOR

Alexander Cullen
Delilah McEathron
Daniel Voyku

9TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Esther Claxton
Rebekah Cullen
Gabrielle Davis
Evan Ellerbruch
Rileigh Fuller
Abigail Jantzi
Dylan LaFave
Nathanyel Lumbrazo
Elizabeth Shaver
Lilly Stevens

HONOR

Maria Josephs
Kiley Snow
Mallory Tysco

10TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Hailey Beecher
Marlie Brummer
Levi Claxton
Madison Greene
Madison Hartle
Ella Hopkins
Marilyn Jones
Emily Mobbs
Braden Renner
Anthony Shaw

HONOR

Ethan Benishek
Timothy Bernet
Emma DeMenezes
Wyatt Douthit
Kendra Genge
Natalie McCabe
Marcus Moot
Barbara Myers
Kaelyn Rahauiser

11TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Mary Beecher
Ella Bonvicino
Summer Boronow
Logan Brown
Hunter Divens
Abigail Fisher
Lily Kiehn
Siena Marzan
Madison Nolley
Nicholas Smith
Sophia Stevens

HONOR

Rebekah Carey
Jack Cross
Dominick Eddy
Tyler Kampf
Joseph Pizzuto
Austin Zaleski

12TH GRADE

HIGH HONOR

Amanda Brown
Keegan Byron
Rowan Cady
Connor Clark
Charles Cross
Dylin Crowley
Edward DeMenezes
Tristan Ellerbruch
Ava Genge
Caeleigh Harrington
Nicholas Hofmeister
Benjamin Jantzi
Scott Josephs
Myah LaFave
Alexis Mazzye
Mya Morris
Abigail Reed
Eleis Roark
Jayce Rood
Abigail Smith
Devin Smith

HONOR

Hannah Claxton
Peyton Graham
Riley LaLonde



Congratulations!

MESSAGE FROM THE K-6 PRINCIPAL

Greetings from the Elementary Office!

As we finish the second marking period, our classes are busy learning and growing as we approach the 100th day of school very shortly! Ask a Stockbridge student what exciting learning opportunities are happening every day!



We have some important dates coming up in the Elementary as well.

- **PRE-K REGISTRATION** is on Thursday, February 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Any child who will be 3 or 4 years old by December 1 may register.
- **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION** is March 6-10 from 9 am to 3 pm. Any child who will be 5 years old by December 1 should register. Packets will go home with current Pre-K students. If you need a packet, stop in anytime to the elementary office for a packet. We will also mail one to you if your child is

not currently in school. To register you will need the completed packet, birth certificate, immunization record, and last physical.

- **Marking Period 2 report cards** go home February 3.
- **PTSO Paint Night** Friday, February 10.
- **Mid-Winter Recess** is February 20-24.

We continue to celebrate being a COUGAR by recognizing exemplary character traits during our monthly Character Education Assemblies. Our lead worthy Character traits so far this year have been Empathy, Self-Direct, Teamwork, Responsibility, Respect. In the month of February, we will focus on Kindness. Pre-K has started to join us for our Character Education Assembly. Congratulate our Cougars on their awesome character when you see them!

Respectfully,
Mrs. Julie Suber
K-6 Principal

SVCS ANNUAL SPELLING BEE



The SVCS Annual Spelling Bee was held on November 17, 2022. First place went to 7th grader, Liam Plasse; Second place went to 8th grader, Jade Nystrom; Third place went to 6th grader, Myah Pizzuto; and Fourth place went to 5th grader, Natalie Shaw.

The event was coordinated by the Spelling Bee Advisor, Ms. Nicole Byron.

AI5 MATH



We are looking for ways that we use math in our everyday lives! Please talk with the students in your life about the ways that you use math each and every day. This could be at home, at work, on a special project that you are

working on.... the possibilities are endless!! Have your child jot a note about how math was used and bring it to Mrs. Wright. It will be featured on our bulletin board!

Mrs. Michele Wright
AIS Math Teacher



STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN WELLNESS DAY

SVCS elementary students participated in Wellness Day on January 10. Each grade level rotated to different stations led by our SVCS staff throughout the day. These stations included physical activity, game play, a dance party, bucket drumming, brain puzzles to solve like coding robots and "escape room-like" scenarios. Students also each created a part of a giant name quilt that will be displayed with all of our students' unique artwork! "Students worked on collaboration, problem solving, and all of the character traits we have been talking about this year (teamwork, being self-directed, empathy, responsibility, and respect). A great day was had by all," said K-6 Principal, Julie Suber.



STAFF PARTICIPATE IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING



On January 10 SVCS teachers were led by Kimberly O'Brien, a professional developer from Lexia Learning, in the LETRS professional development program. "Our staff is committed to providing the most current strategies based upon brain research in helping our students learn to read. Stockbridge Valley has committed to intensive training in the area of best practices in reading instruction," said K-6 Principal, Julie Suber.



Stockbridge Pre-Kindergarten Registration



Madison Oneida BOCES Pre-Kindergarten Registration for Fall of 2023 for Children who will be 4 on or before December 1st, 2023

Our in person registration will take place on

Thursday February 16th, 2023

8:30am to 1:30pm

at Stockbridge Valley Central School

*If unable to attend, please call 315-361-5903 or email
mutegg@moboces.org for an application*

To register you must have the
following:

- Child's Birth Certificate
- Child's Immunization record
- Proof of Residency (current mortgage/lease or utility bill with your name and physical address)

We offer a high quality educational Early Childhood program for eligible children in the Stockbridge school district

*Certified teachers and teacher aides in each of our two classrooms

*Free transportation to and from school

*Parent Involvement

For questions or further information, please call Melissa at 315-361-5903. Application packets are also available at your local Elementary school office or our website at www.moboces.org



Register your child for Kindergarten for the 2023-2024 School Year

If your child will be 5 years old by December 1, 2023, they are eligible to register for Kindergarten.

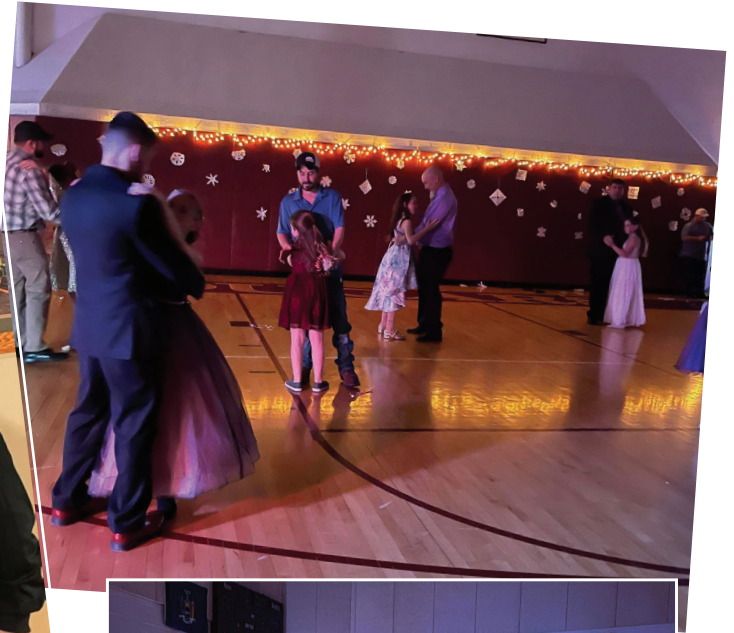
When: Monday, March 6 – Friday, March 10, 2023 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Where: The Elementary Office (6011 Williams Road - Munnsville NY)

How: Kindergarten Registration Packets are mailed home to current Pre-K students. The packet will also be available to download on our website. www.stockbridgevalley.org. If you would like one mailed to you, please call the elementary office at 315-495-4550.

WINTER WONDERLAND FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE

A Winter Wonderland Father-Daughter Dance was held on Saturday, January 14 in the cafeteria/gymnasium at SVCS. Thank you to Mrs. Laraby, 4th grade teacher/Jr. class advisor.



GUIDANCE OFFICE NEWS

Things will be picking up quickly in the counseling office with scheduling and course selections for next year. I will be meeting with students to discuss options and post-secondary plans. It's a particularly important time of year for Juniors as they have a lot to do to start preparing for their Senior year and post-secondary plans.

JUNIORS

It will get very busy for you from now until the beginning of your senior year. You will need to do several things to get yourselves ready for graduation.

We will discuss these in your Junior meetings but here is a short checklist of things you need to begin doing:

- ✓ Register for your SAT's in April or May. Get them done and out of the way now or give yourself time to retake them in case you need improvement.
- ✓ Visit colleges! This is a great opportunity to meet potential professors, admission counselors, and other students.
- ✓ Start looking into scholarships. The College Board has several that you can start completing. Visit collegeboard.org or check out the google classroom.
- ✓ Fill out your brag sheet to help create a resume. Some colleges/scholarships may ask for a resume or you'll need it to find a job post graduation.

SOPHOMORES

Your schedule next year is critical. Although you may start to meet many of the requirements for graduation, it's important to continue to challenge yourself. Take advantage of the trips to BOCES to explore CTE options to see if that is the right direction for you.

And as always, you may contact me at any time at 315-495-1908 or cgleason@stockbridgevalley.org.

Mrs. Cassandra Gleason
Guidance Counselor



A group of Juniors and Seniors (left) had the opportunity to tour Briggs and Stratton this month as part of MACNY's (Manufacturing Association of Central New York) partnership with area school districts. The goal is to educate and provide students with the opportunity to be prepared for post-secondary employment and raise awareness and understanding of career pathways in the STEM field. Through this program, students will work on developing job readiness skills with area business professionals to include mock interviews, resume building, job shadowing, and internships.

SVCS STUDENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE SCHOLASTIC ART AWARD COMPETITION

Stockbridge Valley High school students Mya Morris, Eleis Roark, and Devin Smith received awards in the 2023 Scholastic Art Award Competition.

Eleis Roark – Silver Key in Mixed Media

Mya Morris - Honorable Mention in Photography

Devin Smith – Honorable Mention in Photography



Central New York Annual Scholastic Art Competition is hosted by Onondaga Community College.

The region covers a very large geographic area – 13 counties and almost 400 eligible schools in CNY. Each year they adjudicate over 4,000 pieces of art from about 200 teachers and between 80 to 100 individual schools, making the program one of the largest in the country. More than 70 professional artists, educators and photographers select award winners during the judging process. All the award winning art pieces are on view at the Whitney Applied Technology Center at OCC. The exhibit will be open to the public from Wednesday, January 11 through Friday, March 3, 2023.

Hailey Beecher, Keegan Byron, Caeleigh Harrington, and Scott Josephs also entered work to be considered.



TEEN MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Stockbridge Valley Central School 10th graders are learning how to do the recovery position as part of the Teen Mental Health First Aid training they are receiving. The recovery position is used to help keep people safe in event of a medical emergency.



STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY FFA ALUMNI

is sponsoring a



Quarter Auction Paddle Party



Bring your quarters to join the fun...

Bid to win many great items!

February 11th in the

SVCS cafeteria

5:00 pm preview

6:00 pm auction begins

Admission \$5.00/person

(This includes 4 bidding paddles)



All proceeds will directly benefit the Stockbridge Valley FFA Chapter.

Food will be available for purchase

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2023 CAPITAL PROJECT

"The benefits of this capital project will help the health and growth of our student population and community members."

- Jon Strain, SVCS BOE, Vice President / Facility Committee

Project Scope

Main Building

- Replace Boilers
- Replace Rooftop HVAC Units
- Replace Entry Doors, Frames and Hardware
- Renovate Gymnasium
- Replace Phone and Emergency Public Address System
- Upgrade Exterior Lighting to LED
- Upgrade Building Control Software
- Install Touch-less Hand Dryers in Restrooms
- Improve Health and Safety by Installing Bottle Fillers at all Water Fountains

Ag Building / Greenhouse

- Replace Weathered Panels and Entry Door

Bus Garage

- Upgrade Electrical Infrastructure to Meet NYS Zero-Emission Bus Requirements and Timeline
- Replace Boiler
- Upgrade to LED Lighting in Parking Lot

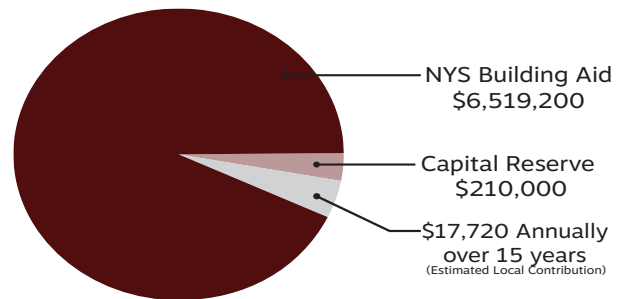
Site Work

- Clean-out Retention Basins and Re-establish Cut-off Swales
- Replace Concrete Sidewalk Panels at Tunnel Entrance & Near Flag Pole

Proposed Project Cost

\$6,995,000

Proposed Project Revenues



District must obtain a 60% voter approval for the project to progress

More Information

Visit our website at
www.stockbridgevalley.org

Attend an upcoming community forum

Contact the District Office
(315) 495-4400

Public Hearing:
Tuesday, March 7, 2023 | 6:00 pm | Library

HOME OF THE COUGARS



VOTE: March 14, 2023 | 12 PM - 8 PM | School Foyer



STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY

SPECIAL BUS REFERENDUM

Home of the Cougars

2023 Information Sheet

Why Should We Vote Now?

Voting now supports financial and long range planning of annual budgets. It also assists the District in predicting transportation aid over the next few years.

What is the District Proposing To Buy?

One (1): **1** - 65 passenger school bus to replace #103 (2011 bus with 76,156 miles.)

One (1): **1** - 28 passenger school bus to replace #108. (removed from service May 2022 - Sold)

Dispose of: Sell, trade or scrap to highest bidder.

What Is The Cost To The District For The Proposed Vehicles?

	65 Passenger	28 Passenger	Totals
Estimated Purchase Cost....	\$ 155,000. ⁰⁰	\$ 96,000. ⁰⁰	\$ 251,000. ⁰⁰
Estimated Finance	\$ 0. ⁰⁰	\$ 0. ⁰⁰	\$ 0. ⁰⁰
Total Purchase			
& Finance Cost.....	\$ 155,000. ⁰⁰	\$ 96,000. ⁰⁰	\$ 251,000. ⁰⁰
Est. State Aid @ 90%	\$ 139,500. ⁰⁰	\$ 86,400. ⁰⁰	\$ 225,900. ⁰⁰

Estimated Cost to the

District Residents \$15,500.⁰⁰ \$9,600.⁰⁰ \$25,100.⁰⁰

Estimated Aid:

Amortized & paid over 5 years - \$ 40,662.⁰⁰/year



Other Transportation/Fleet Information:

Industry Standards/Best Practices At Stockbridge

• 10% of a bus fleet is replaced on an annual basis	• The goal is to replace 1- 2 buses per year. (Contain maintenance costs with a consistent replacement plan)
• The useful life of a 65 passenger bus is approximately ten (10) years	• 27% of SVCS's large buses are ten (10) years or older
• The useful life of a 7, 20, or 30 passenger mini-bus is five (5) years.	• 50% of SVCS's small bus fleet are five (5) years or older

District's Current Bus Fleet:

Large Buses - 11 Small Buses - 4 Van - 1

Voting Information:

- Eligible Voter - Eighteen (18) years of age and a resident of the District for a minimum of 30 days.

2023 School Vehicle Proposition

VOTE

MARCH 14, 2023

12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

School Foyer

Absentee ballots available - contact
Pam Mennig at 315-495-4400 by March 7, 2023

Public Hearing: March 7, 2023
6:00 P.M. - Library

For more information contact:

Mr. Corey Graves, Superintendent @ 315-495-4400

Mrs. Beth S. Lamb, Business Administrator @ 315-495-4446

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY PRESENTS



TALENT SHOW/LIP SYNC BATTLE

*** Held in the Charles Stratton Memorial Auditorium
*** Refreshments will be sold by the Newspaper Club

*** Grades 4-12
*** Sign-ups will be in the SVCS Business Office starting 1/3/23

MARCH 3, 2023 - 7:00 PM


STUDENTS \$2.00	STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY 6011 Williams Rd, Munnsville, NY 13409	PUBLIC \$5.00
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MUNNSVILLE MILITARY TRIBUTE BANNERS

**Honoring the World's
Greatest Defender
of Freedom -
THE AMERICAN
MILITARY.**

Military Banner Program
These beautiful 24"x48" patriotic banners, honoring our veterans & active-duty service members, will be proudly displayed in the Village of Munnsville.



**HONOR YOUR VETERAN OR ACTIVE-DUTY
SERVICE MEMBER IN THIS VERY SPECIAL WAY.**

For more information or to sponsor your banner, visit:
militarytributebanners.org
click 'BANNER PROGRAMS' & locate 'MUNNSVILLE, NY'

**HONOR YOUR MILITARY HERO WITH
A BEAUTIFUL, PATRIOTIC BANNER
DISPLAYED IN THE VILLAGE OF MUNNSVILLE**
or have the program choose a worthy individual to honor.

- Honoring residents' beloved veterans, active-duty, reserve, and National Guard members
- Beautiful 24"x 48" patriotic design
- Your family/business name printed on banner
- Displayed from Memorial Day to Labor Day 2023

Banner Sponsorship - \$135⁰⁰

You may pay by check made payable to:
THE VILLAGE OF MUNNSVILLE
Write "MTB/Honoree's Name" in memo line
P.O. Box 158 • Munnsville, NY 13409
Paid orders must be received by April 1, 2023.

Banners are yours afterwards as a wonderful keepsake and as a "Thank You" from the Village of Munnsville.

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militarytributebanners.org
click 'BANNER PROGRAMS' & locate 'MUNNSVILLE, NY'
or contact: Kelly Johnson
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STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY FFA NEWS

The Stockbridge Valley FFA has been busy this winter. From FFA fundraisers to going on a weekend retreat. We had a successful citrus sale, thank you to everyone who ordered from an FFA member. On January 6-8 we traveled up to the Oswegatchie Educational Center in Croghan, NY with neighboring school Hamilton. We had a very fun time participating in team building activities, going on hikes, playing board and card games with each other.



On January 15th we held our pancake breakfast which was very successful with support of over 150 people attending. Profits from the pancake breakfast will be used to award members the Carl Widger Memorial Scholarship to assist with the cost of attending state and national events including the Washington Leadership Conference (WLC), National Convention and State Convention.



FFA Members at Camp O for Winter Weekend



FFA Pancake Breakfast





STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

"WE EMPOWER STUDENTS THROUGH EDUCATION"

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Carol Garrett
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Kristin Guinto
Jaime Renner

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Corey Graves, Superintendent
Mrs. Beth Lamb, Business Administrator
Mrs. Lisa Hopkins, 7-12 Principal
Mrs. Julie Suber, K-6 Principal

January 2023

Dear Community Members,

The SVCS 95th Commencement Ceremony is getting closer. The Stockbridge Valley Class of 2023 is getting ready for their new journey beyond high school. Some students are busy preparing for college life, some for the military and others are moving directly into careers. Our seniors are starting to receive college acceptance letters and the excitement is building. We are proud to say that students from Stockbridge Valley have been accepted to SUNY Cortland, SUNY Cobleskill, Rochester Institute of Technology, Clarkson University, Utica University, Alfred State College, SUNY Oswego, SUNY Morrisville, SUNY Potsdam, and Mohawk Valley Community College, just to name a few.

As many of you are aware, each year Stockbridge Valley Central School hosts a Senior Awards Night for our graduating class. This night is important to our seniors because this is an opportunity for them to receive awards and scholarships in recognition of their successes. Throughout the years, SVCS has been very fortunate to receive monetary donations from parents, faculty/staff members, and community business owners and organizations to fund these awards. The donations are placed into a general scholarship fund and are then used to recognize members of the class for their academic achievement, service to the community and dedication to SVCS. At this time, we are hoping for your charitable donation to help us honor the students that have helped make our community and school district a place of which we can be proud.

If you feel you can support our seniors at this time, we kindly ask that you return your contribution made payable to Stockbridge Valley CSD Treasurer at P.O. Box 732, Munnsville, NY 13409 or stop by the Business Office by **Friday, April 28, 2023**.

Thank you in advance for your continued support as we pay tribute to the deserving students of this community. As a donor, please consider attending our Senior Awards Night, on Thursday, June 8, 2023. If you would like to attend this year's event, please contact Darlene Curtis in the High School office at 315-495-4450.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lisa Hopkins
High School Principal

Mrs. Cassandra Gleason
School Counselor

Mr. Corey Graves
Superintendent

WHEN TO KEEP A CHILD HOME WITH ILLNESS

It can be hard to know when to send children to school if they tell you that they do not feel well. Usually, the best place for them is in school, but there are some times when keeping them home to rest or call for an appointment with your health care provider is recommended.



Please keep your child home and/or contact your child's doctor for:

- Fever greater than 100.0° (taken by mouth)
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Severe sore throat along with fever and feeling ill for more than 48 hours, or after exposure to Strep throat infection
- Honey-crusted sores around the nose or mouth or rash on other body parts
- Large amounts of mucous (liquid) from their nose, with face pain or headache
- Severe ear pain or fluid coming from the ear
- Severe headache, especially with fever

If your child has a fever, it is not a good idea to give them medicine like Tylenol or Advil and send them to school because as soon as the medicine wears off, the fever may return and you will be called to come and pick up your child.

Please keep children home for 24 hours after the fever ends or they have completed 24 hours of medication if prescribed by your health care provider.

If you find your child is frequently asking to stay home from school, if they are falling behind or appear anxious about school, or if there does not appear to be any physical symptoms, contact your school nurse and your health care provider to discuss your concerns.

Remind children to throw away used tissues, cover their mouths when they cough or sneeze, keep their hands away from their face, and to wash hands often with soap and warm water will help keep everyone healthier.

Please call us with any concerns or questions.

Mrs. Mattie Shea, RN
School Nurse
Stockbridge Valley Central School
(315) 495-4500



Attendance Matters

Missing just 2 days per month can impact academic success



Did You Know?

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track for graduation.
- Absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with school work, or facing some other potentially serious difficulty.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9th grade, regular attendance is a predictor of graduation rates.
- Missing 10 percent (about 18 days) of the school year can drastically affect a student's academic success.
- Attendance is an important life skill that will help your child graduate from college and keep a job.

What Can You Do?

Make school attendance a priority.

Help your student maintain daily attendance routines.

Help your student stay engaged in school.

Know the school attendance policy

Encourage meaningful afterschool activities, including sports and clubs.

Communicate with the school.

Try not to schedule medical and dental appointments during the school day.



Chronic Absenteeism: 18 or more days. Lost classroom time is lost opportunities to learn. Missing just one day every two weeks adds up to 18 days in a year.



Warning: 10 to 17 days. Students who miss an average of 15 days a year will miss a whole year's worth of school before their senior year.



Good Attendance: 9 or fewer absences. Students with good attendance generally have higher grades and enjoy school more. Students benefit from attending school regularly and on time.

For more information, visit: www.attendanceworks.org

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TWO SEATS OPEN FOR SVCS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Petitions will be available from
March 17, 2023 – April 17, 2023 in the
District Office between the hours of
8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Vote will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023
10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Three Year Terms begin July 1, 2023

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Corey Graves, Superintendent
Beth Lamb, Business Administrator
Julie Suber, K-6 Principal
Lisa Hopkins, 7-12 Principal

CONTACTS

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School Nurse

Mattie Shea
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MISSION:

We empower students through education

VISION:

We embrace a culture of respect and support
that allows every student to recognize
their worth, realize their purpose,
cultivate their passions and to achieve
their ultimate potential.

