

# STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY



## CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Home of the Cougars

Winter 2020

*Culture of Hope*

### SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

I hope that everyone is staying warm this winter! As always, thank you for your continued support of our district and our students. I appreciate all that the community does to make a difference in the lives of our children.

We continue to search for an outstanding team leader for our high school. In the meantime, Mrs. Mary Walker has agreed to be our Interim High School Principal. Mrs. Walker retired from Camden CSD in June of 2018 after serving the Camden CSD as their Middle School Principal for 13 years. Mrs. Walker has hit the ground running and has been an asset to the district already.

In the fall newsletter it was mentioned that there were two capital projects taking place this year. I am happy to let you know that the canopies over the walkways and the skylight in the cafeteria have all successfully been replaced along with the building being grounded with lightning rods.

The Strategic Planning committee has narrowed our focus to three main areas of improvement; College and

Career Ready, Social and Cultural Responsiveness, and Citizenship. Under that broad heading of College and Career Readiness, the committee is focused on graduation rates, business and college partnerships, grading, homework, and curriculum review. The Social and Cultural Responsiveness subcommittee is focused on a safe and culturally responsive school. The Citizenship subcommittee is focused on civics, citizenship, community service, digital citizenship, and school spirit. If you are interested in joining any of these subcommittees, please reach out to me at 315-495-4480 or [cstocker@stockbridgevalley.org](mailto:cstocker@stockbridgevalley.org).

I look forward to hearing from you!

*Cindy Stocker*

**Cindy Stocker**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

 @SvcsSuper

### Three Seats Open for SVCS Board of Education

Petitions will be available March 20, 2020 - April 20, 2020  
in the District Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Vote will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Terms begin July 1, 2020

### 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.



## WAY TO VOLUNTEER!!

In November, two Juniors volunteered for Soup and Pie Day at the Congregational Church. We had a lot of fun serving soup and pie to the community. A special thank you to Markalynn and Hannah for all of their help!

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 stop in and see me for details.
- 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.

## Attendance in School

Now more than ever attendance is critical for all students. Did you know that a student is considered chronically absent when they miss 10% of school days, excused or unexcused? At this point, a student would be considered chronically absent if they have missed around 8 days. Academic success, truancy, dropping out, delinquency, and substance abuse all directly correlates with student attendance.

If your child struggles with getting to school, there are several things that you can do to help:

### **Make school attendance a priority**

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day, make that the expectation.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day.
- Don't let your child stay home unless they are truly sick. Complaints of headaches or stomach aches may be signs of anxiety.

### **Help your teen stay engaged**

- Find out if your child feels engaged by his/her classes and feels safe from bullies and other threats. Make sure he/she is not missing class because of behavioral issues and school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, work with the school.

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- Stay on top of academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors if necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.
- Encourage meaningful afterschool activities, including sports and clubs.

### **Communicate with the school**

- Know our school's attendance policy – incentives and penalties
- Talk to teachers if you notice sudden changes in behavior. These could be tied to something going on at school
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not piling up.
- Ask for help from school officials, afterschool programs, other parents or community agencies if you're having trouble getting your child to school.

*(Information above used with the permission of Attendance Works)*

And as always, you may contact me at any time at 315-495-4450 or [cgleason@stockbridgevalley.org](mailto:cgleason@stockbridgevalley.org).

**Mrs. Gleason**  
*Guidance Counselor*



*Austin Nolley with his creation from Introduction to Woodworking class.*



*Spelling Bee Champs*  
1st place - Abigail Jantzi  
2nd place - Marisa Maiura  
4th place - Jadalyn George  
3rd place - Braden Renner



### **CLASS OF 2021**

The junior class has been busy planning and working very hard to raise money for their prom and looking ahead for their senior trip. We will be selling Gertrude Hawk candy for the spring season and Easter starting in February until March 6. The students are hosting a 3 on 3 basketball tournament on Saturday, March 7. Students in grades 5 - 12 are welcome to compete. The cost is \$15 for each team of 3. Our 2nd Annual Maple Madness Bazaar is Saturday, March 21. The FFA will be offering maple product sales and tours of their maple facilities, and math and science club will be hosting a pancake breakfast starting at 8:00. Crafters will be set-up in the gym. Please take the day and celebrate spring at Stockbridge Valley! The cougar fan shop will be open for the tournament and the bazaar. For more information on any of the events listed, please contact Karen Byron [kbyron@stockbridgevalley.org](mailto:kbyron@stockbridgevalley.org) or 315.495.4550 or see a Junior!

Don't forget to visit our online cougar fan shop to shop 24/7! <https://apparelnow.com/cougar-fan-shop-apparel> The fee is no minimum to order and new inventory is added periodically.

In prom news, the theme for the 2020 Junior Prom is "The Roaring 20's". Prom will be held at Madison Hall in Morrisville on Saturday, May 30. Dinner will be served at the prom and tickets are \$30 each. The grand march and crowning will take place at 10:15 pm, all are welcome to attend this portion.

***Thank you to all for your continued support of our students!***



## EXTRA HELP FOR STUDENTS

In order to help students who are struggling academically in school, we have a policy in place that provides students additional help. Below is the extra help policy as stated in the student and parent handbook on page 33:

### Extra Help

- A. Students who are failing any subject are required to receive extra help with the teacher 9th period (2:40-3:16) on Tuesday – Thursda .
- B. If a student is unable to attend during the provided time periods, he/she must have a written excuse from his/her parent or guardian. The student is also equired to schedule a make-up time with the teacher. The teacher will verify in writing that the student attended the mutually agreed time.

If at any point your child is failing one or more subjects, they need to stay after school during the extra help period. If your child does not stay after then participation in any extra-curricular activities could be jeopardized. If you have questions pertaining to the classes they are failing, please contact their teacher first 🐾

## NATIONAL HONOR/JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY

On November 11, 2019 the Stockbridge Valley Chapters of the National Honor Society and the National Junior Honor Societies welcomed a combined 25 new members at the 2019 Induction Ceremony.

In addition to achieving superb academic achievement as determined by an outstanding grade point average, these students have also demonstrated the key ideals for Honor Society membership which includes scholarship, service, citizenship, leadership and character.

The e ening included not only a student – member facilitated program, but remarks from Superintendent, Cindy Stocker and Interim High School Principal, Michael Drahos as well. Current members, faculty, Board of Education members, family and friends enjoyed a celebratory reception following the traditional ceremony.

**Congratulations to new Honor Society inductees:** Joshua Wagner, Rebecca Ax, Adriene Byron, Camdyn Cross, Tanner Dager, Markalynn Eaton, Thomas eeker, Austin Nolley, Wyatt Reed

**Congratulations to new National Junior Honor Society inductees:** Mary Beecher, Ella Bonvicino, Summer Boronow, Rowan Cady, Rebekah Carey, Charles Cross, Jack Cross, Abigail Fisher, Lily Kiehn, Kassidy March, Siena Marzan, Madison Nolley, Devin Smith, Nicholas Smith, Sophia Stevens, Edward DeMenezes

**Mr. Rob Healy, National Honor Society Advisor**

**Mrs. Shelia Bartlett, National Junior Honor Society Advisor**



*Current members and newly inducted members of the SVCS National Honor Society, 2019*



*Current members and newly inducted members of the SVCS National Junior Honor Society, 2019*

## NOTEWORTHY NEWS 🎵

Congratulations to the following students who participated in the Madison County Music Educators' Association January All County Festival of Music: Kassidy March, Jadalyn George, Myah LaFave, and Emma Copperwheat performed with the bands and Gabby Davis, Kiley Snow, Evan Ellerbruch, Lilly Stevens, Elizabeth Shaver, Esther Claxton, and Rebekah Cullen performed with the elementary chorus. Great job!

The S CS Marching Cougar Regiment is looking for new members for the band and drumline. No previous experience is required. If you think you are tough enough to join our team, see Mrs. Matteson. Rehearsals begin soon!

The S CS Music Department will combine with the Madison musicians for an Exchange Concert during Music in Our Schools Month! The band and choir from each school will meet together for a few hours to rehearse several pieces of music that will be performed at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 here at Stockbridge Valley Central School. We are excited to continue this long-standing tradition of sharing music!

Our music students will be traveling to the Big Apple on April 4 to see The Phantom of the Opera on Broadway! We can't wait to see the sights of the big city and experience the magic of one of the longest running Broadway shows. 🐾



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## ATTENTION FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF SENIORS IN THE CLASS OF 2020!! PUT YOUR AD IN THE YEARBOOK!

Do a fun page to honor your Senior and help support the yearbook. Contact Mrs. Raz at:

[mrs-raz.svcs.yearbook@stockbridgevalley.org](mailto:mrs-raz.svcs.yearbook@stockbridgevalley.org)

Or design your own at [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com)

1. Click "Shop your School"
2. Type "Stockbridge Valley Central School"
3. Click Yearbook and Ads
4. Type in the info on the student you want to honor
5. Follow prompts to design and upload photos and to pay. We will verify with you that the ad is as you want before it goes to print.

Yearbooks are \$60.00 for the 2020 edition. Go to [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com) to order and personalize your yearbook. Or email Mrs. Raz at: [mrs-raz.svcs.yearbook@stockbridgevalley.org](mailto:mrs-raz.svcs.yearbook@stockbridgevalley.org) to request an order form. 🐾

### FFA NEWS

Stockbridge Valley FFA has been busy the last couple months with several ongoing projects.

On the weekend of January 4, several FFA members, both junior and senior high, enjoyed a weekend of winter fun at Camp Oswegatchie. Members played games and enjoyed the outdoors while interacting with other chapters.

On Sunday, January 19, the Stockbridge Valley FFA held their annual pancake breakfast. This event has always been a successful fundraiser, as well as a way to bring the community together and show them what we're all about. This year's breakfast was no exception.

On February 8, come join the Stockbridge Valley FFA Alumni for their Annual Quarter Auction at 5:30 p.m. This is a chance to support the FFA while spending time with other community members and getting the chance to win some awesome prizes!

On Saturday, March 21, join both the FFA and the SVCS Junior class for a day of Maple Madness! Visit the sap house for a tour and to learn more about our chapter and what we do. Then, head over to the school for a pancake breakfast hosted by the SVCS Math and Science Club and the Maple Madness Bazaar hosted by the Junior class.

Going on right now, members are gearing up and preparing for upcoming competitions. They are writing and memorizing speeches, memorizing the FFA Creed, brushing up on their FFA knowledge, and preparing for the Parliamentary Procedure competition, along with many others.

In addition to the competitions, members and students are getting prepared for the upcoming maple season, getting lines set, cleaning the equipment, walking the trail, and more.

One last project both students and members are working on is the most recent FFA Living to Serve Grant. With this grant from the National FFA, members plan to redo the nature trail. Clearing trails, rebuilding bridges, repainting benches, and putting up educational activities along the way. Members want to make the trail more accessible to everyone and bring some of the classroom learning outside.

This names a few of the activities FFA members have been up to, and we hope you will come out and support us at one of our upcoming fundraisers!

**Adriene Byron**

*SVCS Sr. High FFA Reporter*

### ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

#### SPORTS REPORT

The winter season is coming to an end, and it has been absolutely amazing to see how much growth has occurred through all of our young programs. It fills me with hope that the best is still yet to come for many of our athletes, and that we are starting to build that bridge of pride and tradition.

Speaking of pride and tradition, I would like to make a special shout out to our volleyball program, as they avenged an early season loss to DeRuyter with a big win at home in five sets. After trailing 2-1, the girls bounced back and showed true grit and determination to win two straight sets to take the match. This puts them in the driver's seat for a potential league title, which by the time you are reading this they have hopefully laid claim to. This title, if achieved, will be their 6th consecutive year of having

earned a Central Counties League banner. I can think of no better tradition to keep alive than ones that get to be immortalized on our gym walls.

Another tradition that our student athletes have been a part of is our work with the More Than A Game Foundation in our effort to support Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital through our Hoops for the Hospital campaign. The teams of the CCL all fundraise for an annual tournament, and this year the CCL girls basketball programs raised \$3,429. The boys basketball team will contribute their earnings when they play New York Mills at home on 2/12 @ 7 p.m. Please come out and support our teams and a great cause!

As we look ahead, February does bring about a change in gears. We will be shifting our focus to the spring. The

softball and golf programs look to keep their league title streaks alive, and baseball's young core is hoping to break through to sectionals and compete for a banner as well. The spring sports season begins on March 16, 2020, with the modified programs beginning the following week on March 23, 2020.

We are looking to end this academic and athletic year with great success. Please encourage your student to be a part. Athletics has been linked to many positive outcomes for students in both the academic realm and with real life skills. Encourage your student to sign-up for a spring sport this year, and attend our mandatory Parent and Coaches meeting on March 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

**Jay Lehmann**

*Athletic Director*



## GREETINGS FROM THE ELEMENTARY OFFICE!

Stockbridge Valley Elementary is a great place to be this year! Students have been involved in so many exciting learning activities as we reach the middle of our school year. This includes creating arcade games, visiting Egypt, under the sea, and the North Pole using the Google Expedition Kits, and even creating their own barometers to check the weather each day! Students are reading great books, writing awesome stories, and solving authentic math problems as well.

A special thank you goes out to the Stockbridge Valley Education Foundation for sponsoring our Elementary Office Birthday Book Give Away! Due to their generous donation, we are able to have students in grades K-6 pick out a book in the office in celebration of their birthdays. This book is theirs to keep and enjoy!

Elementary Student Council is partnering with "It's From the Sole Inc." for a community service project this winter. This non-profit agency collects sneakers, cleans them, and distributes them to the homeless. We will collect new and gently used sneakers during the month of February for this project. Look for information coming home with your children. Community members without students at Stockbridge may donate as well if they wish. All are welcome to participate! This is one more example of our students initiating and showing Generosity, our COUGAR character trait for the month of February.

Stockbridge Valley Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) recently sponsored a Family Paint Night at school. It was a huge success and a great time was had by all that attended. We have some aspiring artists at our school. The next PTSO sponsored event will be the Winter Whirl, a parent-child dance coming

in March. More information will be coming home shortly as well.

We have some important dates coming up in the Elementary:

- **Pre-K registration** is on February 13. Any child who will be 4 years old by December 1, 2020 may register. If your child is currently enrolled in the 3-year-old program, they will still need to register for next year's program.

- **Kindergarten Registration** is March 2-6 from 9 am to 3 pm. Any child who will be 5 years old by December 1, 2020 should register. Packets will go home with current pre-k students. Even if your child is currently enrolled in our pre-k program they still need to register for kindergarten. If your child is not enrolled in pre-k and you need a packet, stop in anytime to the elementary office or give us a call and we will be happy to mail one to you. To register you will need the completed packet, birth certificate, immunization record, latest physical exam, and proof of residency.

- **Marking Period 2 report cards** go home February 7.

- **Mid-Winter Recess** is February 17-21.

We continue to celebrate being a COUGAR by recognizing exemplary character traits during our monthly Character Education Assemblies. We have celebrated being Courageous, Optimistic, and United so far this year. Pre-k has started to join us for our primary Character Education Assembly. Congratulate our Cougars on their awesome character when you see them!

**Mrs. Julie Suber**  
*K-6 Principal*

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

There has been a lot of learning going on in Kindergarten!

We are continuing to learn popcorn words, and are currently writing our own pattern books. We have introduced all the letters of the alphabet, so we can begin to read words and sentences. Book-in-a-Bag is being sent home to help us practice these skills. We have also been busy learning about numbers, shapes, and gravity & motion.

Kindergarten celebrated the holiday season by talking about different family traditions, having a Thanksgiving feast, our Family Cookies 'n' Canvas Painting Party, and Polar Express Day.

Coming up in February, we have our much anticipated 100th Day of School celebration!

**Mrs. Angela Kramer &  
Mrs. Alison Peto**



## VISITORS INSPIRE SVCS STUDENTS...

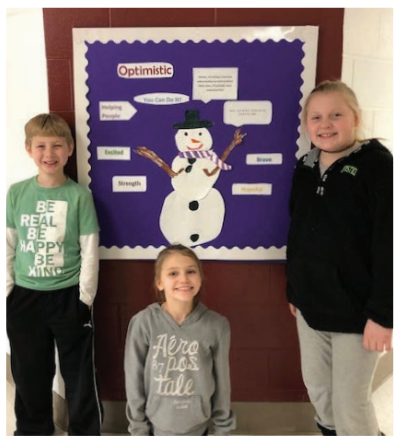
Randy Phillips, educational presenter from the Oneida Nation, came to SVCS on Friday, November 22 to share Native American culture, history, and artifacts with both 4th and 7th graders. Pictured is his presentation for fourth grade. >>>



<<< Tom Varano, Speed Painter & Speaker, held two performances for students on November 15. He launched our school-wide theme of "Dream Big". Mr. Varano talked to students about how to reach your dreams by using B=books (learning everything you can learn), I=Individual (being an individual and not letting others bring you down) and G= goals (having goals and going all in to achieve them). Some of the paintings he produced will be hung in the halls at SVCS. 🎨



## HERE'S WHAT THIRD GRADE HAS BEEN UP TO...



At the November Character Education Assembly, 3rd graders presented the character trait, "Optimism" by creating a movie trailer and brief movie clip. Third grade actors demonstrated the importance of being optimistic and showed how being positive can help you achieve your goals even when circumstances seem challenging. During the month of December, students practiced being optimistic at school and at home.

Also, in December, our new school counselor, Mrs. Rose, helped 3rd graders better understand bullying. They learned how to identify bullying and learned strategies to overcome difficult situations. As a special project with Mrs. Rose, students are using character traits to decorate a bulletin board near the elementary office. It will be updated each month. Check it out!

Finally, we are looking forward to an exciting spring learning about global climate, world communities, fractions, multiplication, and reading, reading, READING!

Mrs. Melissa Latella &  
Mr. Chris Peto

## MRS. WRIGHT'S CLASS MAKES POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS

Fifth graders in Michele Wright's classroom are working hard to affirm each other. Each week we look for what our classmates are doing a good job at. Maybe a classmate worked extra hard during math to understand a challenging concept. Maybe a classmate invited someone to sit with them at lunch, when all other seats were taken. Some examples include "I admire you for....," "You are good at....," or "Thank you for...." Affirmations are delivered to our "Affirmation mailbox" and on Friday afternoon we open our mailboxes. This has shown to be a very positive way to end the week!

Mrs. Michele Wright

## 6TH GRADERS PUT LIBRARY SKILLS IN ACTION

Our 6th grade students have been working hard over the last couple of months creating unique and innovative cardboard arcade games! Our students worked in teams of 2-3 to research and develop an arcade game using recycled materials and old cardboard boxes. They learned that through trial and error as well as teamwork, anything is possible! Our 3rd grade students had the opportunity to test out the creations and enjoyed every second!

Ms. Melissa Grogan  
Library Media Specialist





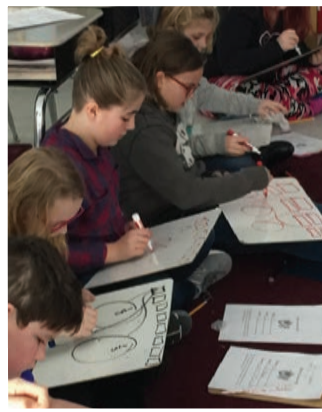
## PTSO FAMILY PAINT NIGHT A SUCCESS!



We met on Friday, January 17 from 6-8:00 p.m. We had a group of approximately 30 people. Parents and/or grandparents and their painters. PTSO equipped the painters with canvases, paints, easels, hot chocolate and cookies. Mrs. Thomas led the group and each painter created their own masterpiece! 🍪



*Student and staff member sharing a book*



*Fifth graders showing multiple representations to show fractions as division*



*Kindergartners exploring under the sea through Google Expedition VR goggles*

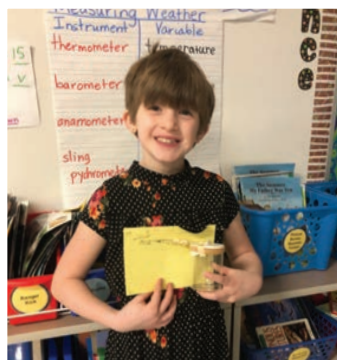


*Kindergartners playing Castle Ball in P.E.*

*First graders enjoying shared reading using flexible seating*



*Third grade winter art painting*



*Third grade homemade barometers. They have been recording high and low pressure each day. They work really well!!*



*Fifth graders in P.E. playing Omnikin ball*

## Pre-Kindergarten Registration



Madison-Oneida BOCES  
Pre-Kindergarten Program  
Fall 2020 Registration  
For Children who will be  
4 on or before  
December 1, 2020



We offer a  
high quality educational  
Early Childhood Program  
for eligible children in the  
following school districts:

Stockbridge

### \*You must bring to registration:

- Child's birth certificate
- Child's immunization record
- Proof of residency  
(current mortgage/lease or utility bill)

- \*Certified teachers  
and assistants/aides
- **FREE** Transportation  
provided
- \*Parent involvement

### DATES, TIMES & LOCATION TO REGISTER:



Stockbridge  
at Stockbridge Valley Elementary  
Thursday  
February 13, 2020  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



For questions or further information call Madison-Oneida BOCES Early Childhood Program at 361-5903.  
Application packets are available at your local elementary school office or visit our website at [www.moboces.org](http://www.moboces.org)

## PETERSON BROTHERS VISIT SVCS

The Peterson Farm Brothers entertained and educated students and adults from Stockbridge Valley and surrounding communities about the importance of agriculture. Brothers Greg and Nathan made the trip to upstate New York from their farm in Kansas, while their youngest brother, Kendal, stayed home to help man the farm with their father. Ray and Barb Lighthall provided accommodations for the Peterson Brothers and their wives during their stay here.

The brothers, along with their sister, Laura, grew up on their Kansas farm which has been in their family for five generations. They were always trying to convince their city friends about the importance of agriculture and that "farming was cool." In 2012, while in college, oldest brother Greg had the idea to reach people by entertaining them through social media. He convinced his younger brothers to help him make a music video. They parodied the lyrics from "I'm Sexy and I know It" into "I'm Farming and I Grow It." The brothers set the goal that after a few years the video would reach 50,000 views. They sent the video to friends who shared it with their friends. By the next morning, they had 20,000 views and the local newspapers were calling them for interviews. The following day all three Kansas TV news stations were parked in their yard. On day four, Fox News called asking to fly them to New York City for an interview. In two weeks, their video had over 5 million views in 200 countries.

The Peterson Brothers have gone on to produce sixteen music videos to date. They performed several for the Stockbridge community including "Farmer Style" ("Gangnam Style Parody") in which they invited youth from the audience to accompany them on stage. After the show, the brothers invited everyone to join them for a meet and greet.

Thank you to the SVCS FFA Alumni for organizing the event and to the sponsors of the show: Cazenovia Equipment Company, Cone Masters, Morrisville State FFA, Farm Bureau of NY, Gold Star Feed & Grain, LLC.

If you would like more information or to view their music videos, you can visit the Peterson Brothers website at:

<https://petersonfarmbrothers.com>

*Photos compliments of Charles Pritchard and the Rome Sentinel*





**6th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Mollymay Caufiel  
Rebekah Cullen  
Evan Ellerbruch  
Raleigh Fuller  
Abigail Jantzi  
Dylan LaFave  
Ameera Panebianco  
Elizabeth Shaver  
Lilly Stevens

**HONOR**

Michael Aldasch  
Kaiden Chapin  
Esther Claxton  
Gabrielle Davis  
Mallory Tysco

**7th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Marlie Brummer  
Levi Claxton  
Jadelyn George  
Madison Greene  
Madison Hartle  
Marilyn Jones  
Esther Mann  
Kaelyn Rahauiser  
Hannah Sherman

**HONOR**

Hailey Beecher  
MaKayla Cureton  
Emma DeMenezes  
Serena Keville  
Robert Miller  
Marcus Moot  
Ashley Scott  
Anthony Shaw  
Kaden Wilson

**8th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Nathan Baker  
Summer Boronow  
Jack Cross  
Edward DeMenezes  
Abigail Fisher  
Lily Kiehn  
Kassidy March  
Siena Marzan  
Madison Nolley  
Nicholas Smith  
Sophia Stevens  
Paige Webb

**HONOR**

Mary Beecher  
Ella Bonvicino  
Joshua Kiehn

**9th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Evan Baker  
Amanda Brown  
Charles Cross  
Tristan Ellerbruch  
Ava Genge  
Benjamin Jantzi  
Hayla Josephs  
Myah LaFave

**HONOR**

Ryan Baker  
Rowan Cady  
Connor Clark  
Caeleigh Harrington  
Layla Jayson  
Seth McHugh

**9th Grade - continued**

**HIGH HONOR**

Riley LaLonde  
Abigail Reed  
Abigail Smith  
Devin Smith

**HONOR**

**10th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Grace Bump  
Alyssa Enslow  
Brooke Gillespie  
Sarah Hofmeister  
Jillian Jacobs  
Leo Jayson  
Rachel Mennig  
Autumn Mills  
Lisa Powless  
Nevaeh Randel  
Ashley Wilson

**HONOR**

Hailey Bernet  
Shirley Coe  
Jace Douthit  
Tyler Fisher  
Emma Sanford  
Alexander Smith  
Devin Smith  
Alexandra Spring

**11th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Rebecca Ax  
Adriene Byron  
Emily Carey  
Emma Copperwheat  
Camdyn Cross  
Markalynn Eaton  
Thomas eeker  
Austin Nolley  
Wyatt Reed

**HONOR**

Nicole Aldasch  
Toby Bonvicino  
Dakota Crowley  
Tanner Dager  
Ethan Enslow  
Zachary Fleming  
Hannah Greene  
Erin Marshall  
Alexis Mintel

**12th Grade**

**HIGH HONOR**

Sarah Bender  
Brandon Burton  
Todd Conklin  
Alexis Ennis  
Kelly Greene  
Brittany LaShure  
Heather MacKay  
Dani Lynn Mills  
Lillian Norrs  
Abby Tucker  
Elizabeth Wagner  
Joshua Wagner  
Makenzi Wilson

**HONOR**

Andrea Collins  
Branden Eastman  
Zachary Jones  
Chad Masker  
Michael Wagner





## It's Maple Madness in Stockbridge Valley!

Stockbridge Valley is celebrating Maple in a BIG way this spring.

- Breakfast
- Tours
- Bazaar
- Lunch
- Famous Stockbridge Valley Maple Products for Sale



### Event Calendar

#### Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>:

8:00 am: Pancake Breakfast in Cafeteria

9:00 am – 3:00 pm: Bazaar in Large & Small Gyms

VENDORS WELCOME Contact Karen Byron

[kbyron@stockbridgevalley.org](mailto:kbyron@stockbridgevalley.org)

10:00 am – 4:00 pm: Maple Facility Tours & Product Sales

# 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 100.4° (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.

Mattie Shea, RN  
School Nurse  
Stockbridge Valley CSD  
(315) 495-4500



# STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY

## CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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January 2020

Dear Community Members;

The SVCS 92nd Commencement Ceremony is getting closer. The Stockbridge Valley Class of 2020 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 LeMoyne, Utah State, Hartwick, SUNY Morrisville, Suny Brockport, Medaille, Cazenovia, University of Southern Maine, University of New England, and Utica, to just name a few.

As many of you are aware, each year Stockbridge Valley Central School hosts a Senior Class Night for our graduating class. This class night is important to our seniors because this is an opportunity for them to receive awards and scholarships in recognition of their success. 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, May 15, 2020.

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 Class Night, on Thursday, June 11, 2020. If you would like to attend this year's event, please contact Sandy Wagner in the High School office at 315-495-4450.

Sincerely,

*Mary Walker*

Mrs. Mary Walker  
Interim High School Principal

*Cassandra Gleason*

Mrs. Cassandra Gleason  
School Counselor

*Cindy Stocker*

Ms. Cynthia Stocker  
Superintendent of Schools





# Stockbridge Valley CSD

## SCHOOL BUS REFERENDUM

### Information Sheet

#### Why Should We Vote Now for School Buses?

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.

#### How Many Buses Are We Proposing To Buy?

Two (2): 1 - 65 passenger school bus to replace #101 (2010 bus with 56,143 miles)  
1 - 7 passenger van bus to replace #100 (2008 van with 58,616 miles)

Dispose of: Sell, trade or scrap to highest bidder.  
2 buses: #101 and #100

#### What Is The Cost To The District For The Proposed Buses?

	65 Passenger	7 Passenger	Totals
Estimated Purchase Cost ....	\$ 110,000. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 30,000. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 140,000. <sup>00</sup>
Estimated Finance .....	\$ 0. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 0. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 0. <sup>00</sup>
Total Purchase			
& Finance Cost.....	\$ 110,000. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 30,000. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 140,000. <sup>00</sup>
State Aid @ 90% .....	\$ 99,000. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 27,000. <sup>00</sup>	\$ 126,000. <sup>00</sup>
<b>Final Cost to the Taxpayers .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 14,000.<sup>00</sup></b>

#### Estimated Aid:

**Amortized & paid over 5 years - \$ 25,200.<sup>00</sup>/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
- 9% 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.
- 20% of SVCS's small bus fleet are five (5) years or older

#### District's Current Bus Fleet:

Large Buses - 11      Small Buses - 5      Van - 1

#### Voting Information:

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

### School Bus Proposition

# VOTE

## MARCH 10, 2020

10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.  
School Foyer



### For more information contact:

Ms. Cynthia Stocker, Superintendent @ 495-4400  
or Beth S. Lamb, Business Administrator @ 495-4446

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