

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY



CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

Home of the Cougars September 2019

Culture of Hope

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Stockbridge Valley Families and Community,

I hope this Newsletter finds everyone enjoying a relaxing summer with family and friends. Catching up with friends and family over the summer definitely fuels the soul. Here in the district we have been working hard to get ready for the fall opening of school.

It is with mixed emotions that I tell you, what you may have already heard, Jon Kilian has accepted another position in the Liverpool School District. As always, we wish him well and much success.

I am happy to announce that former Superintendent of Morrisville-Eaton, *Mike Drahos*, will be the Interim 7-12 High School Principal. Mike has many years of experience as both a Superintendent and a High School Principal. He will be a great addition to our family and we look forward to working with him.

Here are a few more updates!

NEW BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER

The BOE and District welcomes *Michael Gough* to the Board of Education. Mike has lived in the district for a long time. His insight will be an asset to the BOE.

NEW HIRES

A very warm welcome also goes to *Ellen Breckenridge* - 7-12 Math Teacher, *Jessica DiFino* - 7-12 Science Teacher, *Carol Fontana* - 7-12 Science Teacher, *Brian Leach* - Assistant Head Bus Driver, and *Stephanie (Gallogly) Tubbs* - Special Education Teacher. We look forward to working with all of these fine people.

OUR DISTRICT'S HISTORY

Jill Pekarski, the communication specialist from MOBOCES, has spent many days this summer and all last year to gather the district's history and create a historical timeline. If all goes as planned with the printers, you will be able to view the timeline on September 19th during the open house.

SCHOOL SAFETY

School safety is always a priority for us. This year, the BOE and District have partnered with the county and *Officer Mike Carinci* will be in the district daily acting as our School Resource Officer. We are very excited to have Mike working with us.

The Elementary Tunnel continues to be our one point of entry. If you come to the school during school hours please use the Elementary Tunnel and sign in at the Business Office. This will help us monitor and know who is in the building if there is an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

The district is working with our architects to design a more efficient one point of entry for our School District.

STRATEGIC PLAN

This summer the BOE and administrative team met again to review and analyze our district's data and discuss our culture. Last year the district adopted a new vision, which you can find below. This year we will be developing the entire strategic plan for the district. If you are interested in being involved with the Strategic Planning Committee, please contact me.

This is one of the most exciting times of the year! We look forward to our students returning to school and seeing all of you again. Enjoy the rest of your summer and we will see you soon!

Cindy Stocker



@SvcsSuper

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.

FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE...

It is my honor to be joining the Stockbridge Valley learning community this fall as your 7-12 Interim Principal. From 2006 - 2016, I served as the neighboring superintendent at Morrisville-Eaton

and had the pleasure of collaborating on many important initiatives that benefitted students in both of our districts. Since retiring, I served as an Interim Superintendent and Elementary Principal in

Afton, and prior to M-E, I was the Secondary Principal in Madison, and taught high school social studies for 22 years in Central NY.

I know Mrs. Stocker and the Board of Education are committed to finding

a permanent principal in the coming months and getting him or her into the school and getting to know the students and community. In the meantime I look forward to providing a smooth transition period. During that time I will make every effort to get to know the students and encourage them to make the most of their education at Stockbridge Valley. I also look forward to working with the entire educational staff as we focus on the district's mission of empowering students through education.

I am excited to begin this journey, and look forward to meeting many of you this fall.

Mike Drahos

Mike Drahos

Interim 7-12 Principal

 @SVCS_Drahos

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

read well by the end of third grade

MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

pass important courses

HIGH SCHOOLERS

stay on track for graduation

COLLEGE STUDENTS

earn their degrees

WORKERS

succeed in their jobs

Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



www.attendanceworks.org

ATTENDANCE

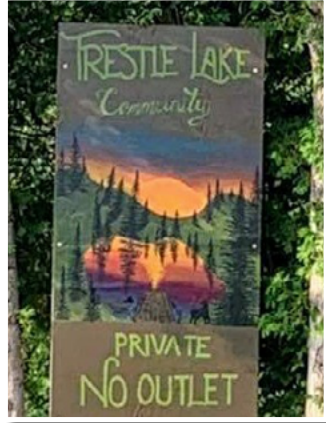
As we all know, attending school is very important and directly linked to student achievement. We found this on Facebook. Many of you may have already seen this. We found the chart below eye opening so we thought we would share it with all of you!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

If you child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	1 month per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	2 months per year	Over 2.5 years

HOFMEISTER CREATES NEW SIGN FOR TRESTLE LAKE

Stockbridge Valley sophomore, *Sarah Hofmeister*, was commissioned by a local community to create a new entrance sign. Sarah is well known for her artistic abilities and that is what drew the Trestle Lake community to ask for her help. Sarah submitted three sketches to the community for members to review. She was asked to combine two of the sketches to create the final project. Sarah worked hard throughout the late winter and early spring to draw and paint the sign on a 4'x8' sheet of plywood.



An unveiling took place in July and all members present were very pleased with the final outcome. Sarah did an amazing job taking this project from start to finish. Thank you Sarah!

ADRIENE BYRON EMBRACES PHOTOGRAPHY OPPORTUNITY

I spent two weeks attending an **Advanced Young Digital Photography Workshop at Maine Media Workshops and College in Rockport, Maine** to expand on my knowledge and skill set in the field of photography.

The workshop ran from August 4 to the 17 and was taught by *Madeleine Morlet*, a world famous photographer from London.

The Advanced Young Digital Photographers Workshop was designed for students ages 14-17 with a basic understanding of manual camera settings. The focus of this class was on the lighting and subject matter of a photo, complex framing, and putting photos together to tell a story.

Maine Media is a community of artists in the various fields of writing, filmmaking, photography, painting, book binding, alternative processing, and more. More valuable than the lessons in photography I learned there, were the relationships and friendships I built with other young artists who share the same passion as me.

We travelled all along mid coast Maine to different towns, cities, islands and beaches to take photos, and

often stopped to swim or hang out along the way. This workshop was intense and often challenging, but there was always time to take a break and have fun.

The two weeks I spent at Maine Media are



unforgettable, and the lessons I learned reach beyond photography. I will take what I learned back to the community when taking photos for school events and clubs. I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to attend Maine Media this summer. Thank you Stockbridge Valley Educational Foundation for helping me return to Maine Media!

Adriene Byron

Adriene Byron • SVCS Junior

CLAY TARGET CLUB

Five members of the Stockbridge Valley Clay Target Club recently competed at the USA High School Clay Target National Competition in Michigan. Those competing were

Keegan Byron, Austin Coe, Toby Bonvicino, Tanner Dager and Josh Bravick. Wyatt Reed also qualified.

It was a great learning experience.

Everyone who went had a great time.



Mrs. Waldron

Mrs. Waldron • Clay Target Club Advisor

A NOTE FROM THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

In the interest and safety of all students, staff, and community residents, please observe all school traffic patterns and be reminded that School Vehicles only are allowed to turn left out of the main parking lot. We appreciate all efforts in providing for safe bus transportation, and vehicles moving about the campus.

2019-2020 BUS ROUTES

NOTE: BUS STOPS FOR STUDENTS LIVING IN VILLAGE

BUS 106

Leave garage 7:15 a.m.

Rt. 46 south to Valley Mills Rd., left on Valley Mills Rd. to East Hill Rd. to Relyea Dr., turnaround, back to East Hill Rd., to Cook Rd. to Blowers Rd. turnaround and return to East Hill Rd., right on Cole St. to Morris Rd., turnaround, left on Cole St., right on upper Mosquito Pt. Rd. to Strain Rd. to Morris Rd., to Rt. 46, left on Phillips Dr. to turnaround, return to Rt. 46, right on Park St., left on Valley Mills Rd. to Williams Rd. to school.

BUS 107

Leave garage 7:15 a.m.

Rt. 46 south, right on Pratts Rd., right on Stockbridge Falls Rd., left on lower Falls Rd. to turnaround, return to Stockbridge Falls Rd. to right on Williams Rd., left on Moore Rd. to turnaround, right on Williams Rd. to turnaround at Phillips, right on Stockbridge Falls Rd. to left on Brown Rd, right on Stockbridge Hill Rd. to Route 46 to school.

BUS 108

Leave garage 7:00 a.m.

Rt. 46 south to Williams Rd. to right on Stockbridge Falls Rd., left on Peterboro Rd. to N. Butler Rd, turnaround at N. Butler and return to Lower Falls Rd., right on Streeter Rd., right on Johnson Rd. to Jones Rd. turnaround, return to Streeter Rd., right on Pratts Rd., left on Lynch Rd., left on Rt. 46, right on Morris Rd., left on Cole St., left on Mosquito Pt. Rd. to Hatalia turnaround, left

on Cole St., left on East Hill Rd. to Station Hill Rd., turnaround to East Hill Rd. to school.

BUS 109

Leave garage 7:00 a.m.

Rt. 46 south, right on Pratts Rd., right on Stockbridge Falls Rd. to Siloam. Left on Peterboro Rd., right on Creek Rd. to turnaround at Couture's, return Creek Rd., right on Butler to turnaround, return to Creek Rd., right on Stockbridge Falls Rd., left on Pratts Rd., left on Freeman Rd. to school.

BUS 110

Leave Garage 7:05 a.m.

Rt. 46 south, left on Valley Mills Rd., right on East Hill Rd. to Cook Rd., right on Hatalia Rd. to Carney turnaround, proceed to Eaton Rd. turnaround, return to Cook Rd., right on Tiller Rd., left on Sullivan Rd. to Shaver turnaround, proceed to town line turnaround, right on Barr Rd., left on Graves Rd., left on Peterboro Rd., left on Middle Rd. to school.

BUS 111

Leave garage 7:00 a.m.

Rt. 46 south to Lynch Rd. Right on Lynch Rd. to Pratts Rd., Rocks Rd. to Cramer Rd., right on Cramer Rd. to Fearon Rd. turnaround, return to Cramer Rd., right on Rocks Rd. to Hendricks, return to right on Fearon Rd., left on Pratts Rd. to Blue Creek Rd., right on Pratts Rd. to left on Stockbridge Falls Rd. to right on Freeman Rd., return to Williams Rd. to School.

BUS 112

Leave garage 7:10 a.m.

Rt. 46 north, left on Smith Hill Rd., right on Bishop Rd. to Peterboro Rd., left on Peterboro Rd. to turnaround. Return Peterboro Rd., left on Burleson Hill Rd., right on Vedder Rd. to Forest Ave. to turnaround. Return Vedder Rd., left on Burleson Hill Rd. to Peterboro Rd. to Rt. 46 north to Oneida Indian Nation. Return Rt. 46 to Williams Rd. to school.

BUS 113

Leave garage 6:00 a.m.

Pickup VVS Middle and High School students to arrive at VVS at 7:20 a.m. and IMN at 7:25 a.m. Pick up student to go to House of Good Shepard.

BUS 115

Leave garage 7:15 a.m.

Valley Mills Rd. to East Hill Rd., turnaround at Relyea Dr., return to Valley Mills Rd. to Snell Rd., turnaround and return to Valley Mills Rd., left on Middle Rd. to Rte. 46 to Williams Rd. to school.

BUS 116

Leave garage 7:05 a.m.

Rt. 46 north to Greene Rd., right on Greene Rd., left on Middle Rd. to turnaround by tennis court, return to Peterboro Rd. to Rt. 46, left on Haslauer Rd, right on Valley Mills Rd, right on Rt. 46 to turnaround at Ferris return to Rt. 46 to Right on Williams Rd. to School.

BUS RULES

Please recognize the importance of cooperation for the safety of your transportation system. Your responsibilities as students are as follows:

1. Reasonable behavior is expected of all students.
2. Be on time for your pick-up.
3. Obey and respect your driver. If students are assigned seats by the driver, they are expected to keep them unless permission to change is granted.
4. **WALK**, do not run to your bus.
5. Older students should help smaller ones.
6. Students must be seated at once upon entering a bus and must remain seated until the bus stops.
7. Keep your head and hands inside the bus. There should be no “horseplay” either inside or outside the bus, or unusual loudness in the way of shouting, laughing, or unnecessary confusion.
8. Do not annoy or distract your driver.
9. Know the location of the emergency door, first aid kit, fire extinguisher, cooperate in bus emergency drills. Tampering with equipment or emergency devise is prohibited at all times.
10. Keep your bus clean - eating and drinking on the bus is forbidden. It is your classroom on wheels. Students must not leave litter of any kind on the bus.
11. Smoking is not allowed on the bus.
12. Be ladies and gentlemen - profanity and vulgarity are out.
13. Exit orderly - avoid crowding or pushing, wait for driver’s signal to step forward before entering the bus at the school grounds. **STAY BACK WHEN THE BUS IS PULLING UP.** This is true at any time, including 3:16, sports runs and field trips.
14. Wait for the driver to signal before you cross a road.
15. Students should cease all noise at danger points, such as stop signs, railroad crossings, etc. where the bus has to stop.
16. No animals, bundles, large parcels, large instruments, shall be carried on the school bus.
17. If a student who does not normally ride home with you wants to ride your bus, make sure he or she has written permission from their parent and has submitted it to the principal’s office in advance.
18. Treat a school bus as a valuable piece of property. Avoid marking and defacing it.
19. Throwing snowballs, or any other objects in the loading zone, or at buses is prohibited.
20. Occasionally your bus goes to other schools in other communities. It carries your school name **“STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY”**. Remember, you are representing your school.
21. Any serious violation of these rules can result in suspension of transportation privileges for students involved.



FROM THE ELEMENTARY OFFICE...

Greetings from the Elementary Office! We hope your summer has been full of memories and fun! At Stockbridge, we have been eagerly anticipating the time when our students and families return to us in September. The school is just not the same without all of your excitement and enthusiasm! During the summer, our office and faculty have been working tirelessly to ensure that this school year is the best ever for our students and their families. The custodial staff is doing an amazing job of readying our beautiful school, and teachers have already begun their beginning of the year preparations. We want to welcome *Stephanie (Gallogly) Tubbs* to our elementary team this year. Mrs. Tubbs will join our special education department in our 8:1:1 classroom. We are proud to welcome this former Stockbridge Valley graduate back to the district. In addition, we would like to welcome our new BOCES

Pre-K teacher, *Danielle Suydam*. If you see these enthusiastic new additions to our family, please give them a warm Stockbridge Valley welcome!

We look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming new ones on the first day of school, September 5th, as well during Open House. We have an awesome year of fun and learning to begin together!

Upcoming Elementary Dates to Remember:

- September 19 @ 5:00 pm SVEF Pizza Night
- September 19 @ 6:00 pm Open House

Please call our office if you have any questions at 315-495-4550.

Thanks!

Julie Suber

Julie Suber • K-6 Principal

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

SVCS ATHLETES BRIDGING PRIDE AND TRADITION

Hello Everyone, I would like to take this newsletter as an opportunity to formally introduce myself as the new Athletic Director for SVCS. I have had a love of sports my entire life, and I am so excited to be able to give back to the community that gave me a start as a coach. While I was still in school and completing my student teaching for Utica College, I was able to work here as the Girls JV Basketball coach. It is amazing and humbling to be able to give back to the place where my career started.

This year my goal is to set up our athletics programs to "*Bridge Pride and Tradition*". To me, both of these words have positive and negative connotations. While pride can be

a confidence in skill and ability, it can also bring about an arrogance that rips teams apart. In the same manner, tradition brings great values and connections between players over years that are connected through the similar challenges and bonding moments with their teammates. However, the trap of tradition is that sometimes we can get stuck in our ways and become unwilling to try new things that might make our programs better, or make us a better athlete. Therefore the goal is to "*Bridge Pride and Tradition*" by building confidence in our skill, holding onto what makes SVCS athletics great, but never falling into the traps of arrogance and an unwillingness to change. Our hope is that by bridging our best qualities that we will establish a culture that promotes participation in our sports programs and leads to wins on the field and court.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our games cheering on our student athletes.

Jay Lehmann

Jay Lehmann • Athletic Director

SOCCKER SCHEDULE:

Home Opener

9/3/19- Girls Varsity vs.
Otselic Valley @ 4:30 pm

9/6/19- Boys Varsity vs.
Cincinnati @ 4:30 pm

Rivalry Game at Morrisville State University - 10/5/19

Boys Varsity @ 6:00 pm

Girls Varsity @ 8:00 pm

Senior Night

Boys Varsity 10/14/19 vs.
Richfield Springs @ 4:30 pm

Girls Varsity 10/16/19 vs.
DeRuyter @ 4:30 pm

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

The Stockbridge Valley Central School uses Integrated Pest Management practices to reduce the use of pesticides in the Stockbridge Valley buildings and on the grounds. New York State law requires that schools maintain a list of staff and parents who wish to receive written notice forty-eight (48) hours prior to a pesticide application at their school facility if the building will be occupied within seventy-two (72) hours of an application. If you wish to be included on this notification list, or would like further information on the Stockbridge Valley's pesticide program, please contact Beth S. Lamb, Business Administrator at:



Stockbridge Valley C. S.
P.O. Box 732, 6011 Williams Rd.
Munnsville, NY 13409

ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1987 (AHERA), a copy of the Stockbridge Valley Central School District Asbestos Management Plan is available for review by appointment during business hours. Please contact the LEA Designee at 315-495-4400 if you would like to set up an appointment or if you have any questions.



September 2019

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Labor Day No School	PreK-12 Superintendent's Day No School	PreK-12 Superintendent's Day No School	Chicken Nuggets / Roll Rice Green Beans Apple/Fruit Cup	Hot Dog on a Bun Carrots (steamed) Boston Baked Beans Fruit Cup
French Toast Sticks Breakfast Sausage Broccoli Asst. Fruit Cup / Veggie Juice	Grilled Chicken Wrap Sweet Fries Baked Beans	Cheese OR Garlic Pizza Carrot Cup/Dip Assorted Fruit Cup	Homemade Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Green Beans WG Roll & Butter Orange/Fruit Cup	Fish Fillet on a Roll French Fries Coleslaw Assorted Fruit Cups
Pizza Crunchers Marinara Sauce Broccoli (steamed) Assorted Fruit	Hard Or Soft Tacos/Cheese Romaine Lettuce/Tomatoes Rice/Salsa, Corn Apple/Fruit Cup	Pepperoni OR Garlic Pizza Carrot Cup/Dip Assorted Fruit Cup	BBQ Chicken / WG Roll French Fries Baked Beans Banana/Fruit Cup	Deli Choice Turkey or Ham Hoagie Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese Green Beans Tortilla Chips & Salsa Fruit Cup
Specialty Burger on a Bun Lettuce/Tomato/Cheese Corn, Baked Beans Assorted Fruit	Meatball Tunnel Green Beans Tomato/Cucumber Salad Apple/Fruit Cup	Cheese OR Garlic Pizza Carrot Cup/Dip Assorted Fruit Cup	Chicken Parm on a Roll Sweet Tots Broccoli (steamed) Orange/Assorted Fruit Cup	Toasted Cheese Tomato Soup Fresh Veggie Cup Assorted Fruit
Sampler Lunch Chicken Strip/Mozz Stick Marinara Sauce/Dip Peas /WG Roll Fruit Cup				

Did You Know?

September was the seventh month of the original Roman calendar. This is where it got its name which means seventh. Later, when January and February were added to the calendar it became the ninth month.

A La Carte

K-8
 6oz Yogurt with String Cheese and Roll
 PB&J Sandwich on Whole Grain Bread
 9-12
 Cheese or Garlic Pizza
 Asst Salad with Whole Grain Roll
 Chicken Patty Mon & Wed
 Hamburger Tues & Thurs

SERVED DAILY
 Assorted Fruit Cup
 Fresh Fruit

CHOICE OF MILK
 1% White, Fat Free-White, Fat Free-Chocolate, or Fat Free Strawberry

School News

Sept. 2 Labor Day—No School
 Sept 3 & 4 Superintendent's Conference Days
 Sept. 5 Classes Begin

Meal Prices K-6 7-12

Breakfast	\$1.25	\$1.25
Lunch	\$2.10	\$2.10

*Menu subject to change

REQUIRED HEALTH EXAMINATION

As part of a required school health examination, a student is weighed and his/her height is measured. These numbers are used to figure out the student's body mass index or "BMI". The BMI helps the doctor or nurse know if the student's weight is in a healthy range or is too high or too low. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status groups be included as part of the student's school health examination. A sample of school districts will be selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health. If our school is selected to be part of the survey, we will be reporting to New York State Department of Health information about our students' weight status groups. Only summary information is sent. No names and no information about individual students are sent. However, you may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report.

The information sent to the New York State Department of Health will help health officials develop programs that make it easier for children to be healthier.

If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department's survey this year, please complete and sign your name below and return this form to:

Mrs. Mattie Shea, School Nurse
Stockbridge Valley Central School
6011 Williams Rd.
Munnsville, NY 13409

Please **DO NOT** include my child's weight status information in the 2018-2019 School Survey.

Print Child's Name

Date

Print Parent's Name

Parent's Signature

THE NEW YORK STATE DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT

Please read and review the plain language summary below and share with your child. Any additional information may be found in Section 12 of the NYS Education Law and SVCS Code of Conduct Section 1040.

HARASSMENT, DISCRIMINATION AND BULLYING IS PROHIBITED AT SCHOOL

You should never feel that it is not safe to come to school and participate in all school activities. Students have the right to participate in all educational and extra-curricular activities on an equal basis, as well as, learn in an environment free of harassment, discrimination and bullying. You should never be prevented from concentrating on your schoolwork and school-related activities because another student or school staff member is teasing you, making fun of you, pushing you around or threatening you in some way, because of your race, color, weight, national origin (where your family comes from), ethnic group, religion, religious practices, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex or for any other reason.

A student may not act toward another student in a way that reasonably might make that other student feel threatened or unsafe, or that might reasonably make that other student unable to concentrate on their school work, because of the other student's race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practices, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex or for any other reason. It is against school rules for any student or school staff member to do this by physical actions or by verbal statements, including electronic messages. This kind of conduct is not allowed on school property, on school buses, and at all school-sponsored events, as well as any act occurring off of school property when such act creates or foreseeably creates a risk of substantial disruption within the school environment.

Should you have a harassment, discrimination, or bullying concern that you wish to report, you may do so to the following Board appointed Dignity Act Coordinators:

Julie Suber, K-6 Principal 315-495-4550

Michael Drahos, Interim 7-12 Principal . . . 315-495-4450

When responding to acts of harassment, discrimination and bullying, the school will take an age-appropriate approach to remedy the situation with the goal of prevention and education, as well as, intervention and discipline in mind. We will consider the nature and severity of the conduct, the developmental age of the student engaging in the conduct, the person's prior disciplinary

record and the impact to the conduct on the student at whom it was directed. School employees who witness conduct that may be harassment, discrimination, or bullying, or who receive report of such conduct, are required to report that conduct to the superintendent, principal or designated dignity act coordinators. This should happen no more than one school day later.

We look forward to working with you in ensuring a safe and harassment/bullying free school environment for your child. The full version of the Code of Conduct is available on our web site and a copy may be obtained from the District Office. Please keep us informed and encourage your child to inform one of the Dignity Act Coordinators or staff members they feel more comfortable with, when sharing they do not feel safe or are being harassed/bullied while at school.

ANNUAL PARENTAL NOTICE ON TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

You have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teachers. If you desire such information, please submit a written request for this information to the attention of:

Ms. Cynthia Stocker • Superintendent
Stockbridge Valley C. S.
P.O. Box 732
Munnsville, NY 13409

Except in extraordinary circumstances, the written request should be submitted within 30 days of the date of this notice.

Upon receipt of such request, the District will inform you whether the teachers have met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which they provide instruction, whether any teacher is teaching under emergency or other temporary status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived, and the baccalaureate degree major of the teachers and any other graduate certification or degree they hold, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.

The District will also notify you as to whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

FFA NEWS

This summer has been keeping Stockbridge Valley FFA members busy! Members spent a week at Camp Oswegatchie, held their annual summer picnic, and are now preparing for numerous competitions, workshops, and a booth at the New York State Fair.

Several members from the Stockbridge Valley chapter attended a week at Camp Oswegatchie where they enjoyed a week of swimming, boating, tubing, competing, riding horses, climbing the ropes course, making new friends, enjoying campfires, and more. Camp Oswegatchie gives students the opportunity to have fun and make new friends while being outdoors and learning during the summer.

After a wrap at Camp O, President Austin Nolley went to the Rural Schools Association in Cooperstown, NY on July 8 to deliver his state winning

extemporaneous speech to receive a \$1500 scholarship. The next day, Austin and Brandon Burton set out to attend the Washington Leadership Conference in the Capital of the United States of America. At WLC they did plenty of workshops about identifying

problems within the community and around the world. They spent many hours in a group discussing how to solve these problems and devising their Living to Serve (LTS) Plan. They also had the opportunity to visit the historical landmarks located in D.C. Austin even explained to a couple of students from Texas how our maple syrup is made and all the processes needed to

make a top-notch product of New York's economy.

At the beginning of August, FFA members held their annual picnic at Carlon Field. It was a good turnout, with many members and their families, lots of good food to pass around and discussion

about plans for the Stockbridge Valley FFA booth at the New York State Fair.

Members were busy preparing to compete in competitions such as dairy handling, nursery and landscape, environmental science, wildlife and tree ID, agronomy, horse evaluation, and horticulture, to name only a few.

Also coming up this school year, members are looking forward to reviewing and updating the

Stockbridge Valley Central School nature trails. Using a Yearlong Living to Serve Grant received from the National FFA, members will keep busy building and repairing bridges, clearing trails, and building educational posts that include information and activities for students at Stockbridge Valley.

This will make the trails safer and more usable, encouraging both students and teachers to take their learning outside, as well as making the trails more accessible and known to the surrounding community.

To sum it up, Stockbridge Valley FFA has had a very successful and busy summer, with the next few months looking up as well.

**Adriene Byron
& Ethan Smith**

Adriene Byron & Ethan Smith
FFA Reporters



DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The Stockbridge Valley Central School District Board of Education has designated the following types of student information contained in student educational records as "directory information", which may be publicly disclosed without parental consent: Each student's name, address, telephone listing, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, height and weight (if member of athletic team), dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and most recent education agency or institution attended.

Parents (or students who are 18 or over) have the right under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act to refuse to permit any or all of such information to be disclosed from their child's education records without their consent, except as provided by law. Any parents (or student who is 18 or over) who refuse to permit disclosure, must notify the school Guidance Counselor in writing at: Stockbridge Valley Central School, P.O. Box 732, Munnsville, New York, 13409 on or before October 1, 2019, of the types of information that they do not want disclosed. Forms to be used for this purpose may be obtained from the Guidance Office at P.O. Box 732, Munnsville or call 495-4450.

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY WELCOMES NEW STAFF!



Karlene Brazie
4th Grade



Jessica DiFino
7-12 Chemistry



Melissa Grogan
Library Media Specialist



Andrea Stabak
Technology Coordinator



Ellen Breckenridge
7-12 Math



Michael Drahos
Interim 7-12 Principal



Brian Leach
Assistant Head Bus Driver



Stephanie (Gallo) Tubbs
Special Education



Michael Carinci
School Resource Officer



Carol Fontana
7-12 Earth Science



STUDENT PRIVACY-FERPA NOTICE

Dear Parent or Eligible Student:

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) affords parents or “eligible students” (students who are over 18 years of age or are entering a postsecondary educational institution) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of some of those rights and to provide you with the following contact information for the District’s Records Access Officer: Mrs. Beth Lamb, Business Administrator.

EXAMPLES OF FERPA RIGHTS INCLUDE:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the School receives a request for access. Written requests for such access may be submitted to the Records Access Officer between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on any school day. Such requests should be submitted on the District’s Application For Inspection of Student Records form that is located in the Office of the Records Access Officer.
2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate, misleading or an invasion of the student’s privacy rights. A request for an amendment may be submitted to the Records Access Officer during regular business hours. Such requests should be submitted on the District’s Request For Correction of Student Records form that is located in the Office of the Records Access Officer. If the Records Access Officer denies a properly submitted request for an amendment, the person seeking the amendment will be advised of his/her right to a hearing regarding the requested amendment.
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. For example, the District may, without consent, disclose:
 - a. Personally identifiable information to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving the School Board; a person or attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist, and including entities that host and disseminate student information such as grades, homework and messages from teachers on the Internet); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.
 - b. Appropriately designated “directory information”, unless the parent or eligible student has advised the District to the contrary by filling out and returning the Request To Limit Disclosure of Directory Information form. The primary purpose of the directory information is to allow the District to include this type of information from the student’s education records in certain school publications such as a playbill (showing the student’s role in a drama production), an annual yearbook, an honor roll or other recognition list, a graduation program, or a sports activity sheet (such as a wrestling program that discloses participants’ height or weight), etc. Directory information may also be disclosed to outside organizations such as companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks or other companies. Additionally, Federal Law requires Districts receiving certain federal assistance to provide requesting military recruiters with secondary school names, addresses, telephone listings and possibly other directory information, unless parents or eligible students have advised the District that they do not want their student’s information disclosed without prior written consent.
4. The right to know that the District has designated the following information as directory information: student’s name, parent’s name, address, telephone number, email address, date and place of birth, major

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field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, most recent previous educational agency attended by student, photograph, and video images of students engaged in routine activities when those images are not records of the district's law enforcement unit. If you do not want the District to disclose directory information without your prior written consent, you must complete and return to the District the Request To Limit Disclosure of Directory Information form by October 1, 2019.

5. The right to file a complaint with the following office if you believe the District has violated your FERPA rights: Family Policy Compliance Office, US Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-4605.

ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE BE AWARE THAT:

- It is the District's policy to disclose education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, and,
- The District uses video surveillance cameras on school property and in school vehicles to maintain the physical security and safety of the campus. The District has designated its building principals as its law enforcement unit and has assigned to them the responsibility of maintaining the video surveillance images.



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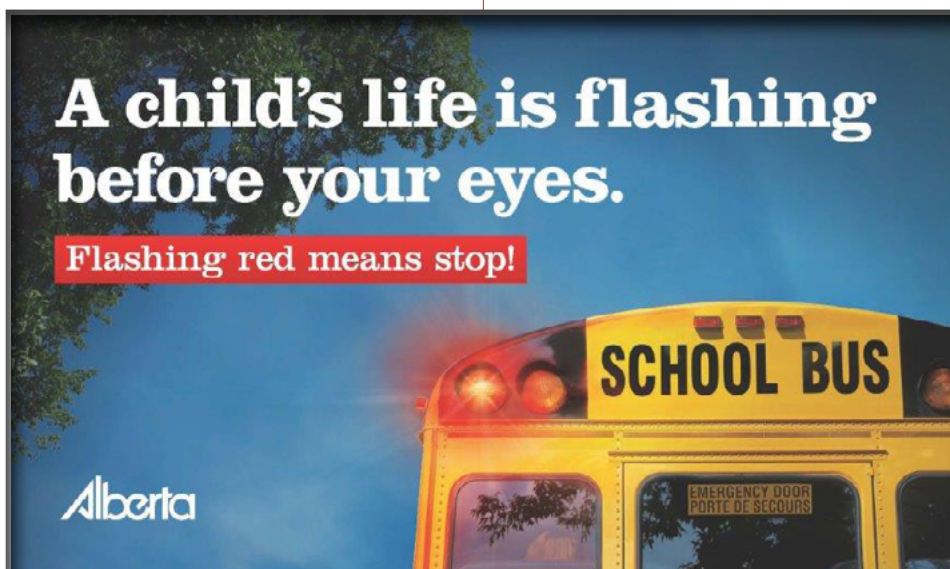
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August 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. We hope your child is looking forward to the new school year and all the opportunities involved in our academic, extra-curricular, and school lunch programs.

We wish to encourage the participation of your child in the school lunch program for the coming year. Please review the information regarding the Free/Reduced Price Breakfast and/or Lunch program and be assured that all information is handled in a confidential manner and is not specifically identifiable as children enter and exit through the serving line.

We understand that finances in many households change over time, therefore, if eligible, we encourage you to complete the Free/Reduced Application for the Breakfast/Lunch program, as it also directly supports and relates to the District's eligibility for State Aid in financing our school programs. If you need assistance, please contact Ms. Kathy Carney at 315-495-1909.

For the 2019-2020 school year, breakfast and lunch prices are as follows: breakfast- \$1.25 and lunch will be \$2.10 per child (lunch price has increased per Federal Regulation). Our School Lunch Cook-Manager continues to introduce new items to the menu, while meeting required guidelines for nutrition and we hope your child will try the new items.

Additionally, the district will continue to offer the "My SchoolBucks" online service which allows parents to pay for school meals via credit/debit card or electronic check and monitor student cafeteria purchases, balances, and spending limits. Please check the Parent Resources on the District Web Page for information about how to enroll.

If you have any questions regarding the Breakfast/Lunch program, please contact Ms. Kathy Carney, at 315-495-1909. You may also contact the school for information at 315-495-4400.

We look forward to your participation and a successful school year.

Sincerely,

Beth S. Lamb, Business Administrator

FREE & REDUCED LUNCHES

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. Stockbridge Valley Central School offers healthy meals every school day. **Breakfast costs \$1.25, lunch costs \$2.10.** Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to:

Kathleen Carney, 6011 Williams Road, Munnsville NY 13409. (315) 495-1909

Who can get free meals? All children in households receiving benefits from SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations or TANF, can get free meals regardless of your income. Categorical eligibility for free meal benefits is extended to all children in a household when the application lists an Assistance Program's case number for any household member. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Households with children who are categorically eligible through an Other Source Categorical Eligible designation, as defined by law, may be eligible for free benefits and should contact the SFA for assistance in receiving benefits.

Can Foster Children get free meals? **Yes**, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Foster children may also be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits for other children. Including children in foster care as household members may help other children in the household qualify for benefits. If non-foster children in a foster family are not eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits, an eligible foster child will still receive free benefits.

Can homeless, runaway, and migrant children get free meals? **Yes**, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail **Beth Lamb 315-495-4446** to see if they qualify.

Who can get reduced price meals? Your children may be approved as reduced price eligible if your household income is within the reduced-price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this letter. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Should I fill out an application if I received a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free meals? Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 315-495-1909 if you have questions.

My child's application was approved last year, do I need to fill out another one? **Yes**. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for up to the first 30 operating days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.

I get WIC, can my child(dren) still get free meals? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEAL application.

Will the information I give be checked? **Yes** and we may also ask you to send written proof.

If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? **Yes**, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: **Beth Lamb • 6011 Williams Road, Munnsville NY 13409- 315-495-4446**

May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? **Yes**. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.

Who should I include as members of my household? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.

What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

We are in the military, do we include our housing allowance as income? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.

My spouse is deployed to a combat zone, is his/her combat pay counted as income? **No**, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.

My family needs more help, are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-800-342-3009.

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2019-2020 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART

TOTAL FAMILY SIZE	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	TWICE MONTHLY	EVERY 2 WEEKS	WEEKLY
1	\$ 23,107	\$ 1,926	\$ 963	\$ 889	\$ 445
2	\$ 31,284	\$ 2,607	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,204	\$ 602
3	\$ 39,461	\$ 3,289	\$ 1,645	\$ 1,518	\$ 759
4	\$ 47,638	\$ 3,970	\$ 1,985	\$ 1,833	\$ 917
5	\$ 55,815	\$ 4,652	\$ 2,326	\$ 2,147	\$ 1,074
6	\$ 63,992	\$ 5,333	\$ 2,667	\$ 2,462	\$ 1,231
7	\$ 72,169	\$ 6,015	\$ 3,008	\$ 2,776	\$ 1,388
8	\$ 80,346	\$ 6,696	\$ 3,348	\$ 3,091	\$ 1,546
*Each Add'l person add	\$ 8,177	\$ 682	\$ 341	\$ 315	\$ 158

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children carefully complete one application following the instructions for your household and return it to the designated office listed on the application. If you now receive SNAP, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children or participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number for any household member, the application must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each household member, and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and the last four digits of that adult's social security number, or check the box if the adult does not have a social security number. An application for free and reduced price benefits cannot be approved unless complete eligibility information is submitted, as indicated on the application and in the instructions. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your SNAP or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application. No application is necessary if the household was notified by the SFA their children have been directly certified. If the household is not sure if their children have been directly certified, the household should contact the school.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year and up to 30 operating days into the new school year (or until a new eligibility determination is made, whichever comes first). You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive SNAP.

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

Reduced Price Eligible Students: Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability.

Meal Service to Children With Disabilities: Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability which may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities of such individual, a record of such an impairment or being regarded as having such an impairment. Major life activities include but are not limited to: functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working. You must request meal modifications from the school and provide the school with medical statement from a State licensed healthcare professional. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical statement must contain.

Confidentiality: The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socioeconomic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and

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federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, all information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CNA.

Reapplication: You may apply for benefits any time during the school year. Also, if you are not eligible now, but during the school year become unemployed, have a decrease in household income, or an increase in family size you may request and complete an application at that time.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Carney

Kathleen Carney • SVCS Cafeteria Manager

Nondiscrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail:
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEAL APPLICATION FACT SHEET

When filling out the application form, please pay careful attention to these helpful hints.

SNAP/TANF/FDPIR case number: This must be the complete valid case number supplied to you by the agency including all numbers and letters, for example, E123456, or whatever combination is used in your county. Refer to a letter you received from your local Department of Social Services for your case number or contact them for your number.

Foster Child: A child who is living with a family but who is under the legal care of the welfare agency or court may be listed on your family application. List the child's "personal use" income. This includes only those funds provided by the agency which are identified for the personal use of the child, such as personal spending allowances, money received by his/her family, or from a job. Funds provided for housing, food and care, medical, and therapeutic needs are not considered income to the foster child. Write "0" if the child has no personal use income.

Household: A group of related or non-related people who are living in one house and share income and expenses.

Adult Family Members: All related and non-related people who are 21 years of age and older living in your house.

Financially Independent: A person is financially independent and a separate economic unit/household when his or her earnings and expenses are not shared by the family/household. Separate economic units in the same residence are characterized by prorating expenses and by economic independence from one another.

Current Gross Income: Money earned or received at the present time by each member of your household before deductions. Examples of deductions are federal tax, State tax, and Social Security deductions. If you have more than one job, you must list the income from all jobs. If you receive income from more than one source (wage, alimony, child support, etc.), you must list the income from all sources. Only farmers, self-employed workers, migrant workers, and other seasonal employees may use their income for the past 12 months reported from their 1040 Tax Forms.

Examples of gross income are:

- ★ Wages, salaries, tips, commissions, or income from self-employment
- ★ Net farm income – gross sales minus expenses only – not losses
- ★ Pensions, annuities, or other retirement income including Social Security retirement benefits
- ★ Unemployment compensation
- ★ Welfare payments (does not include value of SNAP)
- ★ Public Assistance payments
- ★ Adoption assistance
- ★ Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Survivor's Benefits
- ★ Alimony or child support payments
- ★ Disability benefits, including workman's compensation
- ★ Veteran's subsistence benefits
- ★ Interest or dividend income
- ★ Cash withdrawn from savings, investments, trusts, and other resources which would be available to pay for a child's meals
- ★ Other cash income

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

If you have any questions or need help in filling out the application form, please contact:

Ms Kathleen Carney • SVCS Cafeteria Manager
Telephone Number: 315-495-1909



FREE & REDUCED LUNCHES

Date Withdrew _____

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2019-2020 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and **return it to the address listed below**. Call 315-495-1909 if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

Return Completed Applications to: STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
6011 Williams Road, Po Box 732
Munnsville, NY 13409-0732

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless Migrant, Runaway
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. **Skip to Part 4, and sign the application.**

Name: _____ CASE #: _____

3. Report all income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'yes' to step 2)

All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) **even if they do not receive income**. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income
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	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

*Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX-XX- ____ - ____

I do not have a SS# ☐

*When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS#" before the application can be approved.

4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Address: _____

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (Check one or more): ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island ☐ White

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE – FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

☐ SNAP/TANF/Foster

☐ Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____

☐ Free Meals

☐ Reduced Price Meals

☐ Denied/Paid

Signature of Reviewing Official _____ Date Notice Sent: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to Ms. Kathleen Carney 6011 Williams Road, Munnsville NY 13409.

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed. Call the school if you need help: 315-495-1909. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs **PART 4** if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. **If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.**
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

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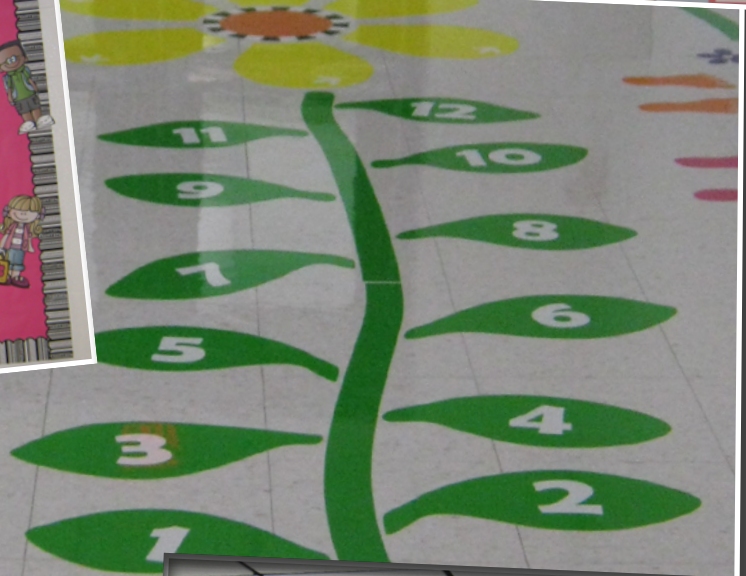
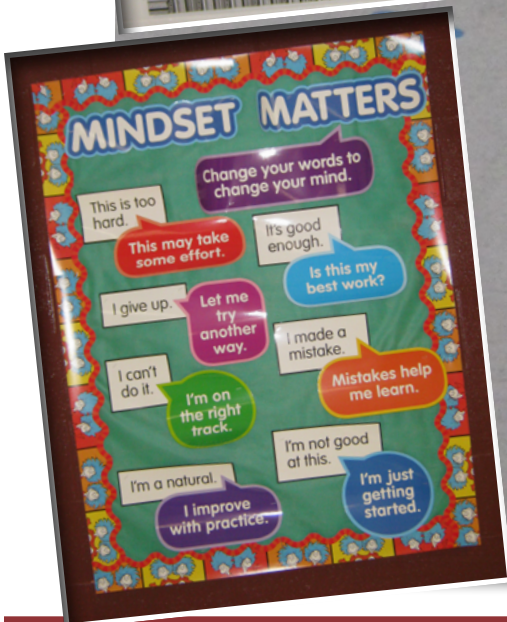
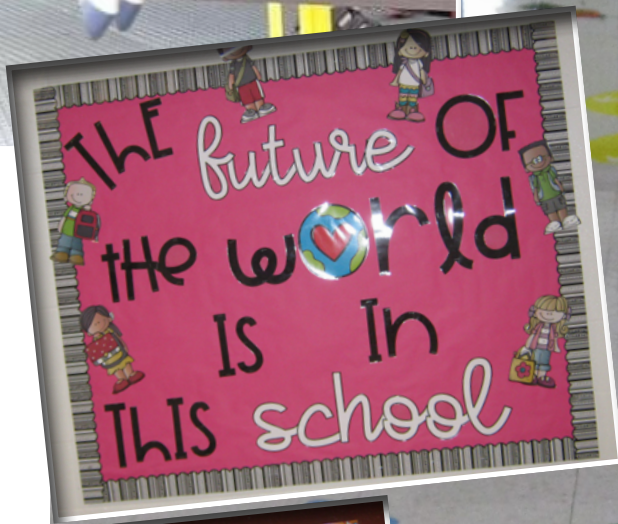
*The Stockbridge Valley Educational Foundation will be
sponsoring "Pizza Night" from 5:00-6:00 p.m.
on September 19, 2019.*

*Pizza, salad and beverages will be available to
purchase prior to Open House.*



SVCS OPEN HOUSE

**Thursday, September 19
6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.**



2019-2020 STUDENT PROGRAM CALENDAR

Recess/Vacation Days ★
Superintendent's Conference Days ★
Regents Days ★
1/2 Day ★
Testing Day ★

18 Student Days

September 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Labor Day	3 Supt. Conf. Day	4 Supt. Conf. Day	5 CLASSES BEGIN	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

15 Student Days

February 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17 Presidents' Day	18 Mid-Winter Recess	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

21 Student Days

October 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25 Supt. Conf. Day
28	29	30	31	

21 Student Days

March 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20 Supt. Conf. Day
23	24	25 Gr. 3-8 ELA Testing	26 Gr. 3-8 ELA Testing	27
30	31			

17 Student Days

November 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11 Veterans Day	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25 Pre-K-6 1/2 Day	26 Pre-K-6 1/2 Day	27 Thanksgiving Recess	28 Thanksgiving Day	29 Thanksgiving Recess

16 Student Days

April 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1	2	3
6 Spring Recess	7	8	9	10 Good Friday
13 Spring Recess	14	15	16	17
20	21	22 Gr. 3-8 Math Testing	23 Gr. 3-8 Math Testing	24
27	28	29	30	

15 Student Days

December 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	3	4	5 Pre-K-12 1/2 Day	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23 Winter Recess	24	25	26	27
30 Winter Recess	31			

20 Student Days

May 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29

19 Student Days

January 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 Winter Recess	2	3
6 CLASSES RESUME	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20 Dr. ML King Day	21 Regents Exams	22	23	24
27 Pre-K-12 1/2 Day	28	29	30	31

20 Student Days

June 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Gr. 4 & 8 Science Testing	2 Regents Exams	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17 Regents Exams	18	19
22 Regents Exams	23	24	25	26 Regents Rating Day
29	30			

Superintendent's Conference Days
Sep 3 & 4 • Oct 25 • Mar 20

Regents Days
Jan 21-24 • Jun 2, 17-25 • Regents Rating Day, Jun 26

1/2 Days
Nov 25 & 26, Dec 5, Jan 27

Testing Days
Mar 25 & 26, Apr 22 & 23, Jun 1

Recess/Vacation Days

September 2 Labor Day
October 14 Columbus Day
November 11 Veterans Day
November 27-29 Thanksgiving Recess
December 23 - Jan. 3 Winter Recess
January 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 17 Presidents' Day
February 18-21 Mid-Winter Recess
April 6-13 Spring Recess
April 10 Good Friday
May 25 Memorial Day

STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAYS • 182

September	18 days	February	15 days
October	21 days	March	21 days
November	17 days	April	16 days
December	15 days	May	20 days
January	19 days	June	20 days

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