



# Genesee Valley Central School

## Jag News



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## Genesee Valley Central School Names Valedictorian and Salutatorian



**Jacob Rizzo**, son of Jaci and Rich Rizzo, has been named valedictorian of the GVCS Class of 2024 with a grade point average of 94.99.

During his time at Genesee Valley, Jacob participated in basketball, baseball, and soccer. Beyond sports, he dedicated himself to community service, volunteering with various organizations including Rotary and Belmont Little League, and at GVCS PTO events, including setups for family picnics and Halloween Trunk or Treat festivities.

He is considering attending either Alfred State or SUNY Fredonia in the fall to pursue a major in sports management.

# Class of 2024



**Kendra Bigelow**, daughter of Jennifer and Bill Bigelow, has been recognized as salutatorian of the Class of 2024 with a grade point average of 94.88.

Kendra's academic journey included enrollment in the New Vision Education Program. At Genesee Valley, she played on the volleyball, basketball, and softball teams, alongside extracurricular commitments such as yearbook, prom committee, and student council. Kendra contributed to her community through volunteer efforts at blood drives, cemetery cleanup, and assistance with the modified softball team. Additionally, she worked part-time at L'Italia.

Kendra plans to attend St. John Fisher University in the fall where she intends to pursue a major in inclusive childhood education with an extension in early childhood.

### GRADUATION 2024

Genesee Valley Central School will hold its 28th Annual Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, June 29th at 11:00 in the school auditorium. The Class of 2024 Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be recognized, along with other Honor Graduates. Numerous scholarships and awards will be presented. The ceremony will be live-streamed on the GV Facebook page and YouTube Channel.

## Annual School Budget



## VOTE Information

### Important Dates:

- **May 7, 2024** – Budget copies available
- **May 7-16, 2024** – Voter Registration at Genesee Valley Central School by appointment only, Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday by appointment only
- **May 7, 2024** – Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Media Lab room.
- **May 21, 2024** – *District Vote*, 12:00 (noon) to 8:00 p.m.

### TWO ELECTION DISTRICTS:

- **Belmont residents must** vote at the Genesee Valley Central School Pool Vestibule (back entrance of the building), 1 Jaguar Drive, Belmont; and
- **Angelica residents must** vote at the Angelica Grange, 55 Park Circle, Angelica

### Qualifications of Voters:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Must be at least 18 years of age by May 21, 2024
- Must be a resident of the Genesee Valley Central School district for at least 30 days prior to the vote
- Must be registered with the Allegany County Board of Elections or with the Genesee Valley School District

**NOTE: An application is required if you would like to vote by Absentee Ballot, Military Ballot or Early Mail Voting Ballot. Please contact Pam Winterhalter at (585) 268-7909 or [pwinterhalter@genvalley.org](mailto:pwinterhalter@genvalley.org).**

### Eligibility for Absentee Ballot:

- A patient in a hospital or unable to vote due to illness or physical disability
- Out of town because of duties, occupation, business or studies
- On vacation outside of the county or city of residence
- Detained in jail
- Serving in the Military

### Eligibility for Military Ballot:

- A qualified voter who will be absent from your school district on the day of the election as a result of actual military service
- A qualified voter who has been discharged from actual military service within 30 days of the election in which you seek to vote

- The spouse, parent, child or dependent of a military voter as set forth above who is accompanying such military voter and who is qualified to vote in the same school district as the military voter

### Early Mail Voting: **\*\*New this year\*\***

- A qualified voter may vote as an early mail voter.
- Voters need not supply a reason why they cannot appear in person at the polls on election day.
- Request for an early mail ballot: the early mail ballot application must be received by the district no earlier than the thirtieth day before election. If the early mail ballot is to be mailed to applicant, the application must be received no later than seven (7) days before the election.

**\*\* Absentee, Early Mail Voters, or Military Ballots are due by 5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2024 \*\***

## Dear District Residents,

On Tuesday, May 21, 2024, you will be asked to vote on the proposed 2024-25 school budget. During these difficult economic times, the Board of Education continues to maintain a balance between encouraging academic and extra-curricular program growth with the need to minimize the financial burden to taxpayers. This budget proposes a tax levy increase of 1.5%.

The proposed 2024-2025 budget maintains academic programs and implements programs designed to improve student achievement. The budget will continue district initiatives, maintain learning opportunities for students, maintain current extracurricular activities, athletics, and co-curricular offerings, and provide the resources necessary to ensure that all students are successful. It also provides academic and behavioral support for students and fully maximizes resources.

Remember every vote counts! Please attend the upcoming Budget Hearing Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the Media Center or view the live broadcast on the GVCS YouTube page. The vote will occur on the Genesee Valley CSD campus for Belmont residents and the Angelica Grange for residents of Angelica. If you require additional information, please visit our website at [www.genvalley.org](http://www.genvalley.org)

We remain committed to providing a rigorous and well-rounded curriculum for our students in the most cost-effective manner possible. Thank you for your continued support of the students at Genesee Valley CSD.

Sincerely,

Genesee Valley Central School District Board of Education Members

*Heath "Buddy" Gordon, President*

*Eric Knapp, Vice-President*

*Tim Hand*

*Fred Grusendorf*

*Max Gilluly*

*Michelle Kelley*

*Jamie Willson*



# PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET & VOTE

## GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET NOTICE

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2023-24 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2024-25 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2024-25 School Year *										
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$ 18,882,018	\$20,193,002	\$20,206,094										
Increase/Decrease for the 2023-24 School Year		\$1,310,984	\$1,324,076										
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		6.94%	7.01%										
Change in the Consumer Price Index		4.12%											
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$3,093,180	\$3,139,578											
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$110,500	\$114,200											
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$0	\$0											
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$0	\$0											
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$3,203,680	\$3,253,778	\$3,203,680										
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$0	\$2,473											
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$3,190,207	\$3,216,942											
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)	\$3,093,180	\$3,137,105											
I. Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$97,027	\$79,837											
Administrative Component	\$1,439,958	\$1,492,203	\$1,484,291										
Program Component	\$12,787,915	\$13,967,287	\$13,955,129										
Capital Component	\$4,654,145	\$4,733,512	\$4,627,490										
<p>* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2024-25 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.</p> <p>Contingency Budget does not include equipment or Capital Outlay expenditures.</p>													
<p>** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Description</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Angelica &amp; Belmont Public Libraries</td> <td>\$114,200</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>\$</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Description	Amount	Angelica & Belmont Public Libraries	\$114,200		\$		\$		\$
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\*NOTE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICIALS: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: [emscmgts@nysed.gov](mailto:emscmgts@nysed.gov)

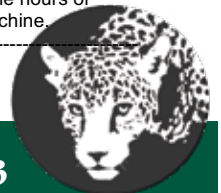
Under the Budget Proposed for the 2024-25 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings<sup>1</sup>

\$406

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2024-25 by the qualified voters of the Genesee Valley School District, Allegany County, New York, will be held at Genesee Valley School and the Angelica Grange in said district on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 12:00pm prevailing time OR between the hours of 12:00pm and 8:00pm, prevailing time in the Genesee Valley School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

1. The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.



# PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET & VOTE

## GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2024-2025)

	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>ADMIN.</u>	<u>2024-25</u> <u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u>
<b><u>BOARD OF EDUCATION</u></b>					
Board of Education members receive no salary. Provides for travel, membership, supplies.	\$5,350	\$5,350	\$5,350		
<b><u>DISTRICT MEETING</u></b>					
Provides funds for the District Clerk, costs for school votes, legal notices, other expenses for the election process.	\$28,113	\$29,120	\$29,120		
<b><u>CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION</u></b>					
Compensation for the Superintendent, clerical staff, office supplies and travel are included here.	\$252,488	\$254,198	\$254,198		
<b><u>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/AUDIT/TREASURER</u></b>					
Coordination for financial matters of the district. Includes costs for treasurer, auditors & BOCES services.	\$164,496	\$200,399	\$200,399		
<b><u>TAX COLLECTION/PURCHASING</u></b>					
Provides for collection of taxes and purchasing for district.	\$44,937	\$45,624	\$45,624		
<b><u>LEGAL &amp; PERSONNEL</u></b>					
Provides legal counsel services district-wide as well as labor dispute settlement, and employee benefit coordination.	\$324,312	\$331,581		\$331,581	
<b><u>PUBLIC INFORMATION</u></b>					
Provides for publication of district newsletter of all buildings as well as utilities.	\$102,849	\$112,320	\$2,420	\$109,900	
<b><u>OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE</u></b>					
Provides for maintenance & operation	\$1,334,874	\$1,358,791			\$1,358,791
<b><u>CENTRAL SERVICES</u></b>					
Provides for mailing, copy and data processing services district-wide.	\$373,400	\$386,400	\$4,000	\$382,400	
<b><u>SPECIAL ITEMS</u></b>					
Includes insurance, BOCES administration, tax refunds, etc.	\$247,332	\$258,354	\$238,104	\$20,250	
<b><u>INSTRUCTIONAL ADMINISTRATION &amp; CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT</u></b>					
Includes principals and their clerical staff. All includes curriculum development costs and supplies, test scoring, travel, etc.	\$427,394	\$430,629	\$355,825	\$74,804	
<b><u>INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF DEVELOP.</u></b>					
Provides funding for continued professional growth and improvement.	\$131,848	\$147,818		\$147,818	
<b><u>REGULAR TEACHING</u></b>					
Included in this area are salaries for teachers, aides, substitutes, equipment, supplies, textbooks and BOCES instructional costs.	\$3,896,592	\$4,120,897		\$4,120,897	
<b><u>SPECIAL EDUCATION</u></b>					
Provides for staff, supplies, textbooks, tuition and BOCES costs for special education programs.	\$2,198,392	\$2,344,407	\$78,470	\$2,265,937	
<b><u>OCCUPATIONAL/SPECIAL SCHOOLS</u></b>					
Includes occupational tuition at BOCES and summer school.	\$504,454	\$575,687		\$575,687	
<b><u>LIBRARY/AUDIO VISUAL</u></b>					
Includes salaries for librarian and assistant, books, AV supplies and equipment.	\$153,974	\$171,071		\$171,071	
<b><u>COMPUTER INSTRUCTION</u></b>					
Includes funds for technology coordinator and lab aides/assistants, hardware and software, and supplies.	\$481,536	\$525,188		\$525,188	
<b><u>GUIDANCE/ATTENDANCE</u></b>					
Provides school counselor services along with their clerical help, supplies and travel.	\$195,132	\$200,763		\$200,763	
<b><u>HEALTH SERVICES</u></b>					
Includes the salaries of the nurses and school doctor as well as costs of their offices.	\$126,566	\$130,776		\$130,776	
<b><u>PSYCHOLOGIST SERVICES</u></b>					
Includes the expenses for our school psychologist, supplies, travel, etc.	\$57,470	\$78,965		\$78,965	



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## GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2024-2025)

	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2024-25</u>		
			<u>ADMIN.</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u>
<b><u>SOCIAL WORK SERVICES</u></b>					
Includes expenses for our school social workers, supplies, travel, etc.	\$69,111	\$73,926		\$73,926	
<b><u>CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES</u></b>					
Includes costs for non-athletic student activities such as yearbook, musicals, student council, advisors, etc.	\$131,325	\$140,379		\$140,379	
<b><u>ATHLETICS</u></b>					
Includes coaching salaries, equipment, official's fees, supplies, etc.	\$288,220	\$240,195		\$240,195	
<b><u>TRANSPORTATION</u></b>					
Includes costs of transportation such as salaries, vehicle parts, insurance, bus garage utilities, rental, etc.	\$737,825	\$843,902		\$843,902	
<b><u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u></b>					
Includes costs of retirement, social security and insurance for all employees.	\$3,531,997	\$4,098,431	278,693	3,532,848	286,890
<b><u>DEBT SERVICE</u></b>					
Principal and interest payments on all debt (building, buses, etc.) included here.	\$3,072,031	\$3,087,831			3,087,831
<b><u>INTERFUND TRANSFERS</u></b>					
Funding for Capital or Debt Reserve	\$0	\$0			
<b>TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET</b>	<b>\$18,882,018</b>	<b>\$20,193,002</b>	<b>\$1,492,203</b>	<b>\$13,967,287</b>	<b>\$4,733,512</b>
<b>2023-24 TOTALS (for comparison)</b>		<b>\$1,310,984</b>	<b>\$1,439,958</b>	<b>\$12,787,915</b>	<b>\$4,654,145</b>
<b>INCREASE IN TOTAL BUDGET</b>		<b>6.94%</b>	<b>3.63%</b>	<b>9.22%</b>	<b>1.71%</b>
<b><u>REVENUES</u></b>					
<b><u>REAL PROPERTY TAX ITEMS</u></b>					
Includes the estimated tax levy and interest/penalties on taxes.	\$3,098,180	\$3,144,578			
<b><u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u></b>					
Admissions, transportation for BOCES, preschool transportation and services.	\$378,000	\$1,020,750			
<b><u>USE OF MONEY &amp; PROPERTY</u></b>					
Interest earnings, room rental to BOCES	\$80,000	\$170,000			
<b><u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u></b>					
Refund of prior year's expenses, sale of excess items, miscellaneous items	\$201,000	\$305,566			
<b><u>STATE SOURCES</u></b>					
NYS Aid	\$12,616,074	\$12,706,344			
BOCES Aid, Tuition w/ DBL, Medicaid Reimbursement	\$1,470,000	\$1,595,000			
<b><u>INTERFUND TRANSFERS/FEDERAL SOURCES</u></b>					
Transfers from Debt Service, encumbrances, Federal sources, reserves, etc.	\$438,764	\$525,764			
<b><u>APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE</u></b>					
Portion of unreserved fund balance estimated to be available to reduce property taxes	\$600,000	\$725,000			
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$18,882,018</b>	<b>\$20,193,002</b>			
<b>INCREASE</b>		<b>6.94%</b>			

*Basic STAR Exemption Impact*

**Budget Proposed for 2024-25**

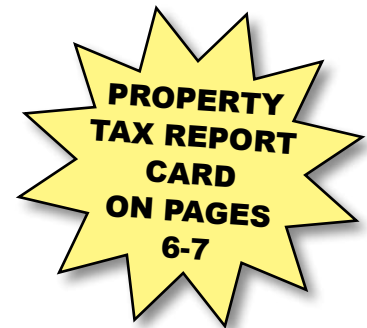
*School Year*

**\$20,193,002**

*Basic STAR Tax Savings*

*using 100% Equalization Rate*

**\$406.00**



# PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET & VOTE

## 2024-2025 PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

020702 - Genesee Valley Central School

Contact Person: Erin Ostrander

Telephone Number: (585)268-7900

	Budgeted 2023-24 (A)	Proposed Budget 2024-25 (B)
Total Budgeted Amount, not Including Separate Propositions	18,882,018	20,193,002
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount <sup>1</sup>	3,093,180	3,139,578
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	110,500	114,200
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable <sup>2</sup>	0	0
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable	0	0
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	3,203,680	3,253,778
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	0	2,473
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions <sup>3</sup>	3,190,207	3,216,942
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	3,093,180	3,137,105
I. Difference: (G - H); (negative value requires 60.0% voter approval) <sup>2</sup>	97,027	79,837
Public School Enrollment	605	595
Consumer Price Index		4.12%

<sup>1</sup> Include any prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

<sup>2</sup> Tax levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion under the School Tax Levy Limit and may affect voter approval requirements.

<sup>3</sup> For 2024-25, include any carryover from 2023-24 and exclude any tax levy for library debt or prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

	Actual 2023-24 (D)	Estimated 2024-25 (E)
Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance	5,192,684	3,875,623
Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance	600,000	725,000
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance	1,376,133	807,720
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget	7.29%	4.00%

### Schedule of Reserve Funds

Reserve Type	Reserve Name	Reserve Description *	3/31/24 Actual Balance
Capital	Transportation Equipment Reserve	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	\$537,064
Capital	Capital Improvements Reserve	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	\$1,515,000
Repair	Repair Reserve	To pay the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment.	\$745,655
Workers' Compensation		To pay for Workers Compensation and benefits.	
Unemployment Insurance	Unemployment Insurance Reserve	To pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund.	\$86,296
Reserve for Tax Reduction		For the gradual use of the proceeds of the sale of school district real property.	
Mandatory Reserve for Debt Service	Reserve for Debt Services	To cover debt service payments on outstanding obligations (bonds, BANS) after the sale of district capital assets or improvements.	\$176,645
Insurance		To pay liability, casualty, and other types of uninsured losses.	
Property Loss	Reserve for Property Loss	To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover property loss.	\$441,712
Liability		To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover liability claims incurred.	
Tax Certiorari		To establish a reserve fund for tax certiorari settlements	
Reserve for Insurance Recoveries		To account for unexpended proceeds of insurance recoveries at the fiscal year end.	
EBALR - Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	Reserve for Compensated Absences	For the payment of accrued 'employee benefits' due to employees upon termination of service.	\$643,314
Retirement Contribution	Reserve for Retirement Contribution	To fund employer retirement contributions to the State and Local Employees' Retirement System	\$779,234
Retirement Contribution	Reserve for Retirement Contribution	To fund employer retirement contributions to the Teachers' Retirement System	\$150,000



# PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET & VOTE

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The annual vote of the qualified voters of the Genesee Valley Central School District, shall be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024** to vote upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2024-25 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the School District.
2. To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education currently held by incumbents Fred Grusendorf and Eric Knapp. Board seats are “at-large,” meaning the two candidates that receive the two highest votes will fill the terms. The term of office for the two seats are three years, July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027.
3. To adopt the following propositions:

### PROPOSITION NO. 1 – SCHOOL BUS PURCHASE / USE OF TRANSPORTATION RESERVE FUND

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Genesee Valley Central School District, Allegany

County, New York (the “District”) is hereby authorized to purchase one (1) seventy-two (72) passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost not to exceed \$168,000.00 (one hundred sixty-eight thousand & 00/100) being the aforesaid maximum estimated cost, or so much thereof as may be necessary for use in the transportation program of the District, said funds shall be expended from the District’s Transportation Reserve Fund - 2014, as duly established on May 20, 2014, in accordance with applicable provisions of New York State Law.

### PROPOSITION NO. 2 – ANGELICA AND BELMONT FREE LIBRARIES

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District, Allegany County, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to, and will, levy and collect taxes in the District in the fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amounts, respectively, of \$56,000 for the Angelica Free Library and \$58,200 for the Belmont Free Library to provide public library services, and pay over such funds to the Board of Trustees of each library, respectively.

### Voting locations per district are as follows:

**Belmont residents vote at: Genesee Valley Central School, pool vestibule (back of school building), 1 Jaguar Drive, Belmont, NY 14813**

**Angelica residents vote at: Angelica Grange, Park Circle, Angelica, NY 14709**

6/30/24 Estimated Ending Balance	Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2024-25 School Year
\$381,064	To purchase school bus.
\$515,000	To offset local share of a future capital project.
\$745,655	To pay for any unanticipated, emergency repairs to district facilities or equipment.
\$86,313	To help offset unemployment claims to NYS.
\$176,645	To pay down district debt.
\$441,712	To pay for any unanticipated, non-recurring property losses that were not included in the regular operating budget.
\$660,000	To pay employees for accrued unused sick, personal, and vacation time upon termination of employment.
\$719,234	To help offset district expenses to the NYS & Local Retirement System.
\$150,000	To help offset district expenses to the NYS Teachers' Retirement System.

## NEW EMPLOYEE WELCOMED TO GVCS



**Kara Capozza** is our new Mental Health Specialist. She previously worked as a Teaching Assistant at Greater Southern Tier BOCES and a Social Worker at Canaseraga Central School District.

Miss Capozza earned an undergraduate degree in criminology from Le Moyne College and a master’s in social work from Edinboro

University. In her free time she likes to attend sporting events and to walk her dog Clyde.

She commented, “In my role at GV I enjoy the direct impact I have on students’ lives, the opportunity to advocate for their wellbeing, and the chance to collaborate with teachers, parents, and other professionals to support student success.”



## SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

The following qualified district residents are running for the Genesee Valley Central School District Board of Education. Their names will be listed on the ballot at our annual school election held on May 21, 2024:

- 1) *Eric Knapp (re-elect candidate)*
- 2) *Shawn Grusendorf (new candidate)*
- 3) *James Cartwright, II (new candidate)*

### Shawn Grusendorf:

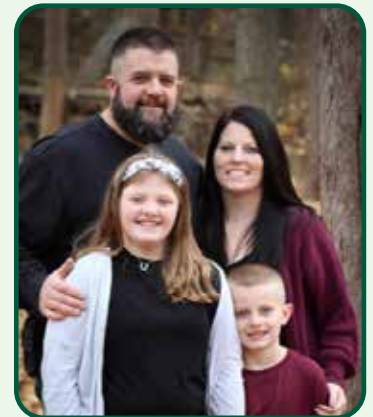


Hello, my name is Shawn Grusendorf and I am running for a position on the GVCS school board. I am a lifelong resident of the district and currently reside in Angelica with my Great Dane (Gus). I graduated from Angelica Central School in 1993. I have two children, Avery and Adison, who are both scholar alumni of GVCS. I also have two step children, Ashton and Autumn McCumiskey, who also graduated from GVCS. I have worked for the Allegany County Sheriff's Office for nearly 30 years and currently oversee the County Court Security at the County Complex in Belmont. I am an active member of multiple organizations in my community. Some of these organizations include, the Angelica Conservation Club, Sons of the American Legion, Angelica Snow Drifters, Allegany County Federation of Sportsman, Hunter Ed/Bowhunter Ed Instructor, and many other volunteer groups.

I am very familiar with the workings of a board, as I have sat in on many Allegany County Board of Legislators meetings. I like my father, Fred Grusendorf, who is retiring from the school board in June after 15 years of community service to the district, am very outspoken and will promise to make sure your voice is heard. I am running for a position on the school board to ensure that decisions are made for the best interests of your children and children yet to come.

### James Cartwright:

I would like to be considered as a candidate for a position on the Genesee Valley Central School Board of Education. I grew up in Scio, NY and moved to Belmont in 2008 and have been a resident of the district for 16 years now. My wife and I have been together for 13 years and we have two children that attend GVCS. I have been a volunteer firefighter for 28 years, with approximately 15 of those years in the Belmont Fire Company where I currently hold the First Lieutenant position and have held numerous line officer positions and have been a junior firefighter advisor as well. I currently work in the maintenance department at Cutco in Olean, NY as a Master Mechanic. I served in the US Air Force right out of high school and returned back to Allegany County after my enlistment. I have an associate degree from Alfred State College, with plans to pursue my bachelor's degree in the near future. I am looking forward to the opportunity to serve my community in a different capacity as a member of the Board of Education. Thank you for your time and consideration!



## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Fire Safety Inspection

The Annual Fire Safety Inspection Report for the 2023-24 school year is available for public review in the district office. Please contact the school if you have questions.

### AHERA Statement

In accordance with the 1986 Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) 29 CFR 763.84(c) the Genesee Valley CSD is required to annually post written notification of all known Asbestos within the school facilities.

The Genesee Valley CSD has NO Asbestos containing building material (ACBM) within any of its facilities as determined by certified personnel, architects and engineers. An official written copy of this statement can be viewed by calling the school at (585) 268-7900.



# UPCOMING CONCERTS

## & CEREMONIES

### SPRING CONCERTS: (IN THE AUDITORIUM)

- **Grades 5-6 choir, Grades 7-12 choir, and Grades 9-12 band**  
- Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30 p.m.
- **Grades 5-8 band**  
- Thursday, May 16th at 6:30 p.m.

### MEMORIAL DAY PARADES

- **Angelica - 9:00 a.m.**
- **Belmont - 11:00 a.m.**  
- Monday, May 27th

### CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION CEREMONY at GVCS

- Saturday, June 29th at 11:00 a.m.

### THE JULIA DEICHMANN MEMORIAL FLAG DAY MARCH

at GVCS

- Friday, June 14th  
at 1:00 p.m.



## ~ PROM 2024 ~ EVENING IN PARIS

The Class of 2025 Junior Prom will be held at the Alfred Lake Lodge on Saturday, June 1st from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. with the crowning at 10:30 p.m.



**GENESEE VALLEY/BELFAST**  
**SPRING SPORTS BANQUET**  
Thursday, June 6, 2024 @ GVCS

### CHARACTER WORDS OF THE MONTH

**MAY** – Citizenship: is the relationship between an individual and a state that implies rights, duties, and privileges.

**JUNE** – Patience: the ability to remain calm, composed, and understanding in the face of challenges and setbacks.



CLASS OF  
**2024**  
CONGRATULATIONS  
**GRADUATES!**

# Seniors with Post Plans

Clayton Babbitt

Johnathon Baker

Kimimela Ball

Jayden Beckwith

Morgan Bentley

Kendra Bigelow

Haylee Blake

Caleb Bliven

Jayce Covert

Cassidy Hand

Molly Hannon

Dakota Hemphill

Fisher Herdman

Karlee Jones

Christian King

Chrystal Larson

Alivia Marra

Erin McIntyre

Emilya Mejia

Hunter Nickens

Liliana Porter Long

Jacob Rizzo

Jade Rounds

Ellaina Scholes

Trent Snyder

Jamie Szalay

Lance Vohs

Evan Yeaples

Workforce - Construction

Workforce - Welder/Fabricator

Seminole State College - Interior Design

Alfred State College - Auto Technology

Alfred State or Tompkins Cortland CC - Photography/Business

St. John Fisher - Childhood Education

Workforce

Workforce - Carpentry

Workforce - Undecided

SUNY Geneseo - Childhood/Special Education

St. John Fisher - Biology

Alfred State College - Civil Engineering

Workforce - Undecided

Jamestown Community College + SBU - Psychology/Criminal Justice

Workforce - Construction/Carpentry

Workforce

Workforce - Grooming Business

Alfred State College - Auto Mechanic

St. John Fisher - Nursing

RISE Program

SUNY Canton - Finance

Alfred State or Fredonia - Sports Management

St. John Fisher - Nursing

Fredonia or Nazareth - Social Work

Workforce

Alfred State College - Welding - Workforce

Alfred State College - Baking Management

Workforce - Undecided



# THIRD QUARTER HONOR ROLLS LISTED FOR 2023-24

The administration of Genesee Valley Central School announces the following students, grades 9-12, have been named to the Honor Rolls for the 3rd quarter of the 2023-24 school year. A student named to the Principal's Honor Roll recognizes students who have an average of 93 and above. The High Honor Roll recognizes students whose average is 90-92 and the Honor Roll recognizes students whose average is 85-89.

## PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

**Grade 12:** Clayton Babbitt, Kimimela Ball, Morgan Bentley, Kendra Bigelow, Molly Hannon, Dakota Hemphill, Karlee Jones, Alivia Marra, Emilyya Mejia, Liliana Porter Long, Jacob Rizzo, Jade Rounds, Callin Shipman

**Grade 11:** Emily Brown, Brayden Cooper-Osterhout, Hope Ford, Mackenzie Marciano, Xander Murray, Hunter Newman, Keanna Sands

**Grade 10:** Jacey Davis, Byron France, Nolan Hunter, Kenton Shultz, Cody Webster, Whitney Young

**Grade 9:** Kylee Christensen, Trent Hutchison, Addison Middaugh, Kayla Wedge

## HIGH HONOR ROLL

**Grade 12:** Haylee Blake, Cassidy Hand, Fisher Herdman, Chrystal Larson, Madison MacKenzie, Jamie Szalay

**Grade 11:** Kallie Burdick, Paul Cleveland, Daphne Gugino, Ty Hutchison, Evan Turybury, Tyler Wedge

**Grade 10:** Cree Bulkley, Ethan Davenport, Bryce Davis, Ryker Holmes, Meara Kelley, Charlotte Mejia, Tristan Metatos, Lannden Tilton

**Grade 9:** Addison Bradt, Tanner Herdman, Elivia McIntyre, Dominick Miller, Maks Stocking

## HONOR ROLL

**Grade 12:** Johnathon Baker, Caleb Bliven, Christian King, Erin McIntyre, Hunter Nickens, Alexander Osborn, Lance Vohs, Evan Yeaples

**Grade 11:** Logan Burrows, Liberty Clarke, Ryan Daciw, William Edwards, Salvatore Gambino, Aubrey Geoppner, Marah Mellinger, Ryan Snyder, Seanna Stocking

**Grade 10:** Graham Bradt, Logan Callahan, Cole Cochran, Bryson Covell, Mason Fanton, Brady Hamilton, Christina McAuley, Abbygail Meigs, Rylee Ordway, Justine Willson

**Grade 9:** Dorian Barnes, Riley Blarr, Gabrielle Geoppner, Derick Grantier, Bryan Kear, Ian Miller

## Honor Roll list for students attending BOCES:

### HIGH HONOR ROLL:

**Grade 12:** Clayton Babbitt, Kimimela Ball, Morgan Bentley, Molly Hannon, Dakota Hemphill, Karlee Jones, Emilyya Mejia, Jade Rounds

**Grade 11:** Logan Burrows, Paul Cleveland, Hope Ford, Ty Hutchison, Hunter Newman, Seanna Stocking, Zachary Thomas, Evan Turybury, Tyler Wedge

### HONOR ROLL:

**Grade 12:** Johnathon Baker, Fisher Herdman, Erin McIntyre, Alexander Osborn, Jamie Szalay, Lance Vohs

**Grade 11:** Kallie Burdick, Reagan Butler, Liberty Clarke, William Edwards, Marah Mellinger, Ryan Snyder

## PARENTS OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENTS

Parents of out-of-district students must request permission in writing for their child to attend Genesee Valley Central School every year. Letters of request to Genesee Valley Central School for the 2024-25 school year must be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools no later than August 1, 2024. These requests will be reviewed from July 1st to September 15th each year.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



- Tuesday, May 21st – SCHOOL VOTE **\*\*NOT May 14th as noted in original school calendar**
- Friday, May 24th – SCHOOL CLOSED **\*\*Please note this is a calendar change**
- Monday, May 27th – Memorial Day / SCHOOL CLOSED
- Thursday, June 13th – Last day of Attendance for Grades 7th-12th
- Wednesday, June 19th – Juneteenth Holiday / SCHOOL CLOSED
- Monday, June 24th – Last Full day of Attendance for Grades PK-6th
- Tuesday, June 25th – Students in Grades PK-6th dismissed at 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, June 29th – Graduation at 11:00 a.m.



## HIGH SCHOOL FINE ARTS/MUSIC BANQUET



GVCS would like to welcome students and their families to attend the High School Fine Arts/Music Banquet on June 5th 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Awards will be presented, art work will be on display, and there will be music to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you!

## ALLEGANY COUNTY SPORTS HALL OF FAME



Congratulations to Brian Edmister III for his induction into the Allegany County Sports Hall of Fame on March 23! Brian was a standout athlete at GV, competing in soccer, track, and swimming. During his senior year, he was named Allegany-Steuben County Swimmer of the Year. He continued his swimming career at Hartwick College for four years and was twice recognized as an Academic All-American. Currently, Brian is a high school special education teacher at GV and works with the modified and varsity swim teams.

## Genesee Valley Central School Inducts Members into National Honor Society

Four students were inducted into the Genesee Valley Central School (GVCS) Chapter of the National Honor Society in a ceremony on Friday, March 22, 2024.



The new inductees included Emily Brown, daughter of Titus Brown and Shannon Cornish; Brayden Cooper-Osterhout, son of Carrie Osterhout; Ryan Daciw, son of Andrew and Valerie Daciw; and Mackenzie Marciano, daughter of Jeff and Kim Marciano.

Each inductee was selected based on earning a minimum GPA of 92% throughout high school and on their commitment to the four pillars esteemed by the National Honor Society: scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

Travis Ely served as the guest speaker for the ceremony. A 2012 graduate of GVCS, Ely serves as an orthopedic surgeon in Charlotte, North Carolina. In his remarks, he shared some of the opportunities he has had in serving others, both in his everyday job and in his volunteer work.

“Service is not limited to one discipline, setting or area,”

Ely commented. “There’s no limit to how big or how small an act of service has to be. Service is using your skills, knowledge, and everything in your position to provide something to someone to better their life.”

During the ceremony, students were presented with their NHS pins and certificates by NHS advisors Sarah Horne and Kim Douglas, as well as Superintendent Dr. Brian Schmitt and 7-12 Principal Sara Donlon.

*Watch a video of the ceremony online at*



# 2024 NYS GRADES 3-8 ASSESSMENTS

Genesee Valley Central School will be administering the 2024 NYS Grades 3-8 ELA, Math and Grades 5 & 8 Science computer-based assessments according to the schedule to the right. Please notify us if your child will be absent on testing days so we can schedule a make-up session. The New York State Education Department will again be limiting the NYS ELA and Math testing to two days per test as they have in previous years.

To promote your child’s ability to perform at their very best, here are a few test-taking tips to review with your child:

- Keep a positive attitude and simply focus on doing your best. Try to relax and take a few deep breaths.
- Go to bed early so you can get a good night’s sleep before testing day.
- Eat a healthy breakfast each morning of the test.
- Read each question carefully so you know what the directions are asking you to do.
- Write neatly so everyone can read your work.
- Make sure you answer all questions. If you don’t know the answer, make your best guess.
- Avoid medical and dental appointments on testing days. If your child feels ill, keep them home for the day.

As always, we appreciate the support we get from parents. If you have a child who could use some reassurance, please contact their classroom teacher. Our teachers can support your child while at school.

If you have any questions, please call testing coordinator Paula Mighells or your child’s principal at (585) 268-7900.

2024 ELA ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE	
Assessment Start Time	Tuesday-Wednesday, April 16-17
8:15 a.m.	Grades 3 & 4
8:50 a.m.	Grades 5 & 6
9:40 a.m.	Grades 7 & 8

2024 MATH ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE	
Assessment Start Time	Tuesday/Wednesday, April 30-May 1
8:15 a.m.	Grades 3 & 4
8:50 a.m.	Grades 5 & 6
9:40 a.m.	Grades 7 & 8

2024 SCIENCE ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE	
Assessment Start Time	Tuesday, May 7
8:00 a.m.	Grade 8
8:50 a.m.	Grade 5

## YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE

By Abby Meigs



This year the High School Youth and Government Conference was so much fun! Genesee Valley students had a blast and made so many new friends. 673 students came to the event this year, which is the biggest group that has ever attended the Youth in Government Conference in Albany. Addie Bradt, Kylee Christensen, and Kayla Wedge got the Outstanding Bill Award. This is the 5th Best Bill Award in the last 8 years for Genesee Valley. 130 bills were presented this year and 8 of the bills were recognized for an outstanding achievement. Abby Meigs’s and Jade Sallazzo’s bill was publicly endorsed by the youth governor. All recognitions are huge accomplishments to the students and teachers of Genesee Valley. Any student in grades 6-11 can join Youth and Government next year. Contact Mrs. Slawson to learn more.



# FROM THE CSE OFFICE

## WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY



On March 21 we celebrated World Down Syndrome Day at GVCS.

During the day Hunter Nickens, a senior at Genesee Valley, visited several classrooms to read to students about Down syndrome. Students were then able to talk with Hunter and ask him questions. Hunter signed the books, which were donated to the GV school library.

To celebrate the day, students and staff wore blue and gold/yellow, and mismatched and/or crazy socks. Staff also donated to GiGi's Playhouse in Buffalo, a nonprofit that provides free educational, therapeutic-based, and career development programs for individuals with Down syndrome.

On March 16, Hunter was invited to participate in Houghton University's second annual Buddy Basketball Tournament. It was a great day full of laughs, friendship, and fun to recognize the importance of inclusive play.

## CELEBRATING INCLUSIVITY: THE POWER OF DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS THROUGH BUDDY BASKETBALL EVENT



In recent years, there has been a growing recognition of the importance of inclusivity and diversity in sports. For the second year in a row, Houghton University's Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) took the initiative to host an event that embodies the values of inclusive play by holding a Down Syndrome Awareness Buddy Basketball Tournament on March 16th. The significance of this annual event is how it impacts the participants and the broader community. Down Syndrome is a genetic disorder caused by a full or partial copying of chromosome 21. Individuals with Down Syndrome face many challenges such as developmental delays, intellectual development, and additional health issues. Participating in mainstream activities like sports are often difficult, but not impossible.

This year Hunter Nickens was one of five athletes who participated. Each of these athletes were paired up with student-athletes from Houghton University's athletic teams representing men's basketball, women's basketball, men's soccer, women's soccer, and men's cross-country/track and field. The teams played several 5 minute basketball games, with a dance off and a game of knockout for the half-time entertainment. SAAC representatives took on many roles throughout the event playing yard games with our guests on an open court, cheering on the teams, dancing, making individual signs for our buddies, and much more. Hunter commented "I enjoyed playing ball with the college kids and clapping for my friends".



## EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JUNE 2024

Students must verify with their schools the exact times that they are to report for their State examinations.

June 4 TUESDAY	June 14 FRIDAY	June 17 MONDAY	June 18 TUESDAY	June 19 WEDNESDAY	June 20 THURSDAY	June 21 FRIDAY	June 24 MONDAY	June 25 TUESDAY	June 26 WEDNESDAY
7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	Rating Day for Schools Not Closed	7:45 a.m.	Juneteenth Holiday Observed	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	RATING DAY
Algebra I*	English Language Arts		U.S. History & Government		Physical Setting/ Earth Science	Geometry	Algebra II	Physical Setting/ Physics	
	11:45 a.m.		11:45 a.m.		11:45 a.m.				
	Living Environment		Global History & Geography II		Physical Setting/ Chemistry		*World Language Assessment suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint Exams	<b>Uniform Admission Deadlines</b> Morning Examinations: 10:00 a.m. Afternoon Examinations: 2:00 p.m.	

### KEL'S TRIBE



Our Jag Design class created and sold 200 Kel's Tribe t-shirts! Collaborating with Ms. Schmidt, the design reflected aspects important to her. The front featured green paws symbolizing the school community and a sunflower in honor of her mother, while the back design was shaped as a guitar pick with an image of a guitar representing her passion for music, along with a pink ribbon for breast cancer awareness.

The class generously donated all proceeds, totaling \$1,500, to Ms. Schmidt, who had taught many of them in the past. In Jag Design, students know that each creation holds significance to our customer. This order was even more meaningful knowing it went to support someone so valued in our community!



# GVCS RETIREES



## Marilyn Barnes

After three decades of service, Marilyn Barnes retired from Genesee Valley Central School this spring. Her journey began 30 years ago at Angelica Central School, where she joined as a cafeteria worker. Marilyn transitioned to GVCS after the merger, becoming an integral part of our school community.

Throughout her time at GVCS, Marilyn's cheerful demeanor and warm personality endeared her to students and staff alike. With her quick wit, she kept the kitchen staff on their toes, and her laughter brightened everyone's day.

We wish Marilyn the best as she enters a new chapter of her life! She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered!

## Lynne Hayes

Congratulations to Lynn Hayes on her retirement from GVCS after 25 years! She started as a cafeteria substitute at Belmont Central School and has since worked as a teacher's aide from Pre-K all the way through high school.

Lynn's favorite part of working at GV, and what she'll miss the most, is the kids. She shared, "I love watching them grow, learning their different personalities, and having fun with them every day."

Pre-K teacher Nichole Bagley shared, "I am lucky enough to say that I worked with Lynn for 5 years in the 3PK setting. She and I work like a well-oiled machine: I can start something and she knows just what to do to finish it. Her compassion and kindness can be seen daily in and out of the classroom. Lynn will be greatly missed, especially by me!"

Mrs. Marciano added, "Lynn is kind beyond measure and loves working with students of all ages. She genuinely cares about and for students, helping to guide them to succeed. Congratulations on your retirement, Lynn, and best wishes! Once a Jag, always a Jag!"



## SPRING BREAK TRIP TO ATHENS, GREECE



The GV/Belfast Spring Break Trip to Athens, Greece was amazing! It was wonderful to experience such a different culture, history, and food together. Some of the sites we visited included the Acropolis/Parthenon, Panathenaic Stadium, Arachova, the Temple of Apollo, and more! We were so thankful for this opportunity!

~ Mrs. Home and Ms. Ryan



# WHEN YOU MAY HAVE A RESPIRATORY VIRUS

INCLUDING COVID, FLU & RSV

STAY HOME  
AND AWAY  
FROM OTHERS



YOU CAN RETURN TO  
SCHOOL WHEN...

Your symptoms improve and you are fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication.



Although not mandatory, masks are recommended by CDC/NYSDOH when returning to school.



**HAVE QUESTIONS?** Contact the Nurse's Office at 585-268-7915

## NATIONAL ARCHERY EVENT

Congratulations to Isabelle Snapp, Melody Coats, Tara Cartwright, and Braylen Heitman who will be representing GV at the National Archery Event in Louisville, KY on May 9-11 2024.



## GENESEE VALLEY PEACE POETRY CONTEST



Five students at GV won awards in the annual Genesee Valley Peace Poetry Contest sponsored by the English Department at SUNY Geneseo.

For the contest, students in grades K-8 from throughout the region were asked to write about the theme of peace—what peace means to them, what gives them peace, their ideas about a peaceful world, or any other idea related to peace. Over 250 poems were submitted and 50 were selected to receive awards, which were judged by creative writing students at the university.

Clara Clancy was named the Overall First Place Winner for the K-2nd grade category for her poem "Toc in Bed." Other winners in that category included Rory Wilkins and Penelope Tucker. Amelia Aylor and Will Campbell received awards in the 3rd-5th grade category.

All winners were invited to a public reading on Saturday, April 20 in the Wadsworth Auditorium at SUNY Geneseo.

*Watch a video of our first grade winners reading their poems here*



# STEAM at Genesee Valley



## PROBLEM-SOLVING

6th graders built boats out of aluminum sheets to try and hold the most pennies before sinking.



## SAFETY

3rd graders drove robots to answer questions regarding cyberbullying and online safety.



## COLLABORATION

1st graders made Lego mazes to work through with other groups of students.



## CODING

Ms. Faller's class used coding mats outside in the sunshine!



## CREATIVITY

1st graders created a stop motion video with playdough and characters.



## PRESENTATION SKILLS

1st graders created PowerPoints and gave presentations on cheetahs and crocodiles.



# Earth Day Cleanup



## GENESEE VALLEY FITNESS CENTER

**NOTE:** A friendly reminder when you use the GVCS Fitness Center: *please remember to change into clean shoes before entering the fitness center.* There is ample space to change footwear prior to entering the center. Thank you for helping us keep our fitness equipment clean and usable for all.

### Hours of Operation

Monday-Friday 5:00-8:00 a.m. and 3:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

If the school building is closed (holidays, snow days, early dismissals, etc.) *the Fitness Center will be closed*

### Rules for Using the Fitness Center

- Enter through the main doors by the Fitness Center, exit through exterior doors in Fitness Center
- Members must ensure that the equipment is clean by wiping off all equipment after each use. GVCS fitness center does provide sanitary wipes for use.



## FITNESS ACTIVITIES OFFERED AT GVCS

*(only when school is in session)*

### Cardio, Core, Strength & More

Mondays and Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m., Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. Room 1170

Instructor Pat Presutti, Call 716-860-8287 for information.



# 3RD ANNUAL LYNN MANNING MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Genesee Valley Central School will be hosting the 3rd Annual Lynn Manning Memorial Golf Tournament on Friday, July 19 at the Wellsville Country Club. The proceeds will be used to support her scholarship fund for GV students pursuing a career path in business or education.

Team registration information can be found on the Genesee Valley webpage at [www.genvalley.org](http://www.genvalley.org). Monetary donations and items for the gift basket raffle are also being accepted for this event.

Please reach out to Erin Graham at [egraham@genvalley.org](mailto:egraham@genvalley.org) with any questions. We truly appreciate your support in making this tournament a huge success!

## Lynn Manning Memorial Scholarship GOLF TOURNAMENT



**JULY 19**

**FRIDAY | 2024**

**Registration 8:00AM**

**9:00AM Tee Off**

**Wellsville  
Country  
Club**

**\$400**

**Foursome**

**Scramble Format  
Includes golf, cart,  
and lunch &  
dinner provided**

**Course Games  
Basket Raffles  
50/50 Raffle**

*for more info*

[www.genvalley.org](http://www.genvalley.org)

**WELLSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB  
3006 RIVERSIDE DRIVE  
WELLSVILLE, NY 14895**

**Genesee Valley Central School**

# May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
PLEASE NOTE - SPORTS SCHEDULES WILL BE ON GV WEBSITE	CHARACTER WORD OF THE MONTH CITIZENSHIP		1	2	3 -No School -Offices Open -Last day to register for 6/8 ACT Test	4 -SAT Test (register by 4/19)
5	6	7 -5:30pm - Board of Education Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting, Room 1121	8	9	10 -End of 4th Mid-Quarter Gr. 6-12 -NYSSMA Solo Festival at Fillmore	11 -NYSSMA Solo Festival at Fillmore
12	13	14 -Spring Concert: 6:30pm, Gr. 5-6 Choir; Gr. 7-12 Choir; Gr. 9-12 Band	15	16 Spring Concert: 6:30pm, Gr. 5-8 Band	17 -Progress reports mailed home, Gr. 6-12 -Springville Jazz Band Festival, 8-3:00pm -Last day to register for 6/1 SAT Test	18 -Springville Concert / Marching Band Festival
19	20	21 -12-8:00pm-District Vote, Belmont residents-GV Pool Vestibule; Angelica Residents-Grange Hall -Accept Vote Results	22	23	24 -School Building Closed	25
26	27 -School Building Closed -Memorial Day -Angelica Parade, 9:00am -Belmont Parade, 11:00am	28	29	30	31	

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CHARACTER WORD OF THE MONTH -PATIENCE	PLEASE NOTE - SPORTS SCHEDULES WILL BE ON GV WEBSITE					1 -SAT Test (register by 5/17)
2	3	4 -Regents Exams	5 -6:00pm - High School Fine Arts/ Music Banquet	6 -6:00pm - Spring Athletics Banquet	7 -Last day to register for 7/13 ACT Test	8 -ACT Test (register by 5/3)
9	10	11 -5:30pm - Board of Education Meeting, Room 1121	12	13 -End of 4th Marking Period, Gr. 5-12 -End of 3rd Marking Period, Gr. K-4	14 -Regents Exams -1:00pm - The Julia Deichmann Memorial Flag Day March	15
16	17 -Regents Rating Day	18 -Regents Exams	19 -School Building Closed -Juneteenth Observed	20 -Regents Exams	21 -Regents Exams	22
23 30	24 -Regents Exams	25 -Regents Exams	26 -Regents Rating Day -Last Day for Staff	27	28 -Senior Lunch & Graduation Practice -HS Concert Band Rehearsal for Graduation	29 -11:00am - Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony





# SUMMER IMMUNIZATIONS FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

Clinics will be held at the Allegany County Office Building in Belmont, NY

A healthy school year starts here. To get your kids ready for next school year, make sure they are up-to-date on their required immunizations. This is especially important if your child is starting Pre-K, Kindergarten, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

For Questions about whether your child has the required immunizations, please check with your child's healthcare provider.

Allegany County  
Department of Health



Public Health<sup>®</sup>  
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## 2024 Summer Immunization Schedule

July 10<sup>th</sup>

July 16<sup>th</sup>

July 23<sup>rd</sup>

July 31<sup>st</sup>

9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

August 6<sup>th</sup>

August 13<sup>th</sup>

August 20<sup>th</sup>

August 28<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Call us to make an  
appointment for any  
summer clinic.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
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585.268.9250





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# GENESEE VALLEY YEARBOOK 2023-2024

**PRICE: \$75.03**

**There are ONLY paper orders- online ordering is CLOSED**

**Order forms have been sent home and can be picked up in  
the library!**

**Return order form and money to Mrs. Norasethaporn  
(Order form on back page.)**



**Genesee Valley Central School**

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Belmont, NY 14813



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Dr. Brian Schmitt, Superintendent  
Brian Edmister, PreK-6 Principal  
Sara Donlon, 7-12 Principal  
Sarah Taylor, Director of Special Education &  
CSE/CPSE Chairperson  
Paula Mighells, Dean of Students and  
Curriculum Coordinator  
Erin Ostrander, School Business Official

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for information on sex offenders living in the GVCS District

# YEARBOOK

## Still time to order!!

Use the form below. Additions (such as name plate, autograph pages, etc.) are no longer available. NO online orders. Send to school in care of Mrs. Norasethaporn

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

# of yearbooks X \$65.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal \_\_\_\_\_

add 8.5% tax \_\_\_\_\_

Total due: \_\_\_\_\_

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