

THE BARONS BUZZ

A DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

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Veterans Assembly and Recognition Planned at BVMS

Buckeye Valley Middle School is excited to announce it will again this year celebrate Veterans Day by honoring Veterans with an Assembly and Recognition on Wednesday, November 13, 2024. This experience is memorable not only for our students but for all who attend. Students will be allowed to "Take a Veteran to School" with a kick-off assembly starting in the Gymnasium at 9 a.m. The Delaware County Air Force Junior ROTC will be on hand to present at the assembly. Throughout the day, Veterans will have the opportunity to share experiences and artifacts with students as well as have time to share with other Veterans. Lunch/snacks will be provided.

All Veterans are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Ms. Tina Francis, Teacher, and Veteran, by phone at 740-363-6626 extension 3113 or via email at tfrancis@mybvls.org

Digital Citizenship Week and Internet Safety Tips for Parents

This year, Digital Citizenship Week is October 14-20th. Making sure our students are safe online is a priority at all grade levels in the District. Please review these quick reminders for parents about Parental controls and web filters. These tools prevent students from going to sites that are adult in nature, block search terms, and monitor keywords. However, while parental controls are great, they can be bypassed. Unfortunately, this information is readily available to students in a simple Google search. The best way to combat this is to be informed and talk with your student. Please review some of the most common hacks students can use to bypass these safety measures. One other reminder, all BVLS students are required to sign an Acceptable Use Policy agreeing to be good Digital Citizens and not to intentionally subvert district web filters each school year.

Free VPN Usage

Students can access a free VPN and bypass parental controls & filters. A VPN will mask a device's IP address and location making

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BVLS BOND LEVY FACT SHEET

Please take a moment to review the fact sheet HERE regardin g the Buckeye Valley Local Schools bond levy that will be on the ballot in November.



BV FFA Boo Bash Save The Date browsing the web more anonymous and unfiltered. There are plenty of good reasons to use a reputable VPN, but they can also be used to work around restricted sites. Some questionable VPN apps are available in app stores and social media ads. Students can not use VPNs on district-provided Chromebooks and VPN websites are blocked on district devices as well.

Proxy Server Bypass

Similarly, kids can hide their web activity with a proxy server. These are online sites that route the website request through to an external server. By doing this, students bypass the parental controls or filter and can access a blocked web address anonymously. Also, please know that some of these sites will expose your home network to malware. Thousands of new proxy sites come online every single day. Filters and parental controls can't block them all immediately, so make sure to check your kid's browser history and remind your student that using a proxy is prohibited on school devices. The district continually monitors and blocks proxy sites when they are identified. Students found utilizing these sites will be subject to disciplinary action.

Changing The Clock To Hack Parental Controls

Some parental controls have timers for when kids can access the internet or games. A simple way to bypass this is to change the time on the device. This can be done with some help from Google. Many parental control apps use the device's clock to know when to shut down access, so when the clock on the device is changed it can trick the software. However, this does not affect district-provided Chromebooks.

Unsecured Devices

The easiest way for kids to access inappropriate content is for them to access it on an unsecured device, such as their cell phone, a personal laptop, or even an old iPad. One way to fix this is to store all devices in one secure place, that way students can't access the internet unsupervised, or late at night.

District Town Halls For Bond Levy Planned

The District Leadership will host several Community Town Hall Meetings the week of October 14. These Town Hall Meetings are informational only and will provide details such as When, Why, and How Much. The Town Hall Meetings will also allow community members to ask questions. We hope you will plan to attend one of the four meetings held at various locations

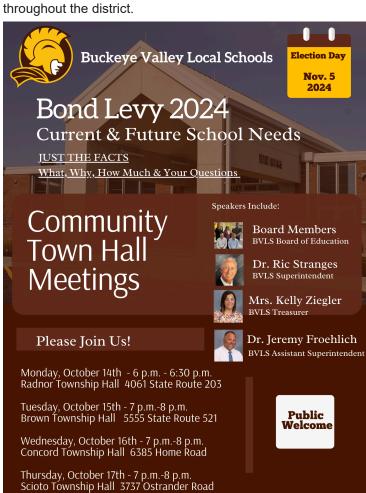
The Buckeye Valley FFA will be hosting its annual Boo-Bash indoor trick-or-treat for elementary-aged students on Saturday, October 19th from 6-8 p.m. at Buckeye Valley High School. Many High School clubs and teams will have decorated stations with Halloween treats and activities. All elementary-aged students are invited to come for a safe and secure event free from any cold or rainy weather!

Community Corner Reminder

Be sure to check out the BV Community Corner HERE through out this school year. Here you will find a wide variety of items including information about BV Youth League signups for students, non-profit organizations as well as flyers from our Athletic and Music Boosters, PTO's, and other outside arts and athletics opportunities. Don't miss out. Check it weekly for updates.

BV Fair Week Parent Survey Closes Todav

Today is the last day to complete the BV Fair Week Parent Survey. Your



feedback on this survey will help the District plan for the 2025-2026 school year. If you have not already done so, please complete the survey by 5 p.m. today Friday, October 11, 2024.

BV Fair Week Parent Survey

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