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WEST VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

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WEST VALLEY NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY AND NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

On March 19, a dinner was held for those being inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) and National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). The dinner, catered by Catered Creations, Inc., honored students for their accomplishments. To qualify for NHS and NJHS, students must hold an unweighted average of at least 90% and model the traits of leadership, scholarship, service, character and citizenship.

Guest speaker Amy Butler spoke about each of the five characteristics that have been maintained by each member. Life lessons as well as words of wisdom were used to encourage the parents and students. Amy encouraged all to continue to grow and build their foundation on the pillars that represent NHS and NJHS. "It should be more than just school, it should be a way of life," she commented.

The new NHS members inducted include Christopher Amodeo (10th Grade), Benjamin Fisher (10th Grade), Nolan Spencer (10th Grade). The new NJHS members inducted include Payton Ehnes (7th Grade) and Henry Frank (7th Grade). Thank you all for your hard work and dedication inside and outside of the school.

The NHS and NJHS would also like to thank all who helped make the evening a memorable moment and give a special thank you to the WVTA for buying the cake for us to enjoy.



May 18, 2021 - Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Election from Noon to 9:00 p.m. in Gymnasium

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

BY DR. TAWEEPON FARRAR



Spring is here! When we think of spring we think of sunny skies, flowers blooming, trees budding and greener grass. I could not think of any more symbolism than spring for what's to come for West Valley. This is our chance for renewal and growth. This is a time for beginning again and embracing new things.

Facilities

The capital project passed! I thank each of you who came out to vote and I personally am excited for our students for this opportunity. The major focus of the project will be enhancing and improving our facilities with a focus on safety and security. The planning process is beginning, and I will keep you informed as we move along through the project schedule. The capital outlay project was just approved by New York State so those improvements will begin as soon as possible. The SmartSchools Bond Act Project to improve the technology infrastructure is also beginning.

Budget

Ann O'Brien, our business official, has been presenting the budget to the Board of Education. She will continue to present and work on the school budget over the next several weeks. As of now, we are waiting for New York State to share with us their final budget for schools. Until we get this information, we will not have a final budget. School boards must adopt a budget by April 27th so we will have our school budget completed before then. I encourage you to attend the April board meetings to learn more.

Academics

We will begin as a district to start evaluating and looking at our current academic program specific to curriculum and instruction. We need to ensure that we are setting those learning expectations for what all students should know and be able to do based on the New York State learning standards. With that being said, we need everyone's help: administrators, teachers, students, and parents/guardians to support the state assessments. These assessments help us as a school learn what we need to do better to support our students. The United States Department of Education (USDE) has made the determination that the assessments are

still required. The USDE has waived the accountability requirements and has offered states flexibility in administering the tests. So while there are no consequences to a district for having high opt outs for the 2020-2021 school year, the data garnered from the results of the assessments are one data point among many that we can use to build a stronger academic program. The original intent of state assessments was to evaluate a school's program and that's exactly why I am encouraging students to take the assessment this year so we can become better!

Athletics

We are excited to have both softball and track here at West Valley this spring season! I know our community is proud to have these teams back at our school. In my first few weeks here and meeting our students and staff, I can say that the West Valley pride is strong! I encourage any community member to reach out to Carolyn Boberg at 942-3100 ext. 4102 so I can get to know more of the community. Remember that Spring is a lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be.

Go Wildcats!

KINDERGARTEN & PRE-K REGISTRATION

If your child will be 4 years old before December 1, 2021, they are eligible for our Pre-K program. Please call Mrs. Dana Westfall at 942-3100 ex. 4170 to register your child.

If you have a child eligible for Kindergarten in September 2021 (Age 5 on or before 12/1/21) and he/she is not currently enrolled in our Pre-K program, please call Mrs. Dana Westfall at 942-3100 ext. 4170 to register your child.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TAX CODE NUMBER

The New York State resident income tax returns (IT-200 and IT-201) require you to enter the name and code number of the public school district where you were a resident as of December 31 for the tax year 2020. The school district name and code for entry on state income tax forms are: **West Valley Central School District** and **690**. It is important to put this number on your tax return because it helps determine the amount of State Aid we receive for the school district.



GETTING TO KNOW DR. FARRAR

We sat down with our new superintendent to get to know her better!

Tell us about your family

I have 2 amazing children. Emmy, my eldest, is 22 years old and is a High School Science and Special Education Teacher. My son, Eric, is 20 years old and he currently attends Erie Community College with aspirations of becoming a physical education teacher. My husband Matt works for the Department of Veterans Affairs in their Education Division. We have a Welsh Corgi named Tucker who will be turning four on May 21!



How did you get into education?

While in the Navy, at my last duty station, I found myself having multiple conversations with other people within my unit who were interested in furthering their education. They looked to me for encouragement because they knew that I had already completed my bachelor's degree while I was on active duty. It was at that point that I realized that I had a passion for continued learning, and I knew that I wanted to pursue a career in education after the Navy.

What are some of your hobbies and favorite pastimes?

Traveling, going to the beach, playing golf, going to Bills games, spending time with friends and family.

What's your favorite Western New York landmark or attraction?

The Central Terminal

A colorful poster for the West Valley Art Club. The background features abstract, vibrant patterns in shades of purple, pink, and teal. The text is white and yellow. It lists the club's name, the year 2021, and a schedule of activities for the year.

West Valley
ART CLUB
Open to Students in
Grades 7 - 12

JOIN THE FUN!
MARCH 9, MARCH 23, APRIL 13 - Surface Pattern Design
APRIL 27 - Macrame
MAY 11 - Sewing Project
MAY 25 - Acrylic Paint Pour
JUNE 8 - Needlefelting
JUNE 22 - END OF THE YEAR PARTY! & Makerspace
Dates and topics are subject to change

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Advisors
Mrs. Mazzuto & Mrs. Butcher

What are you reading right now?

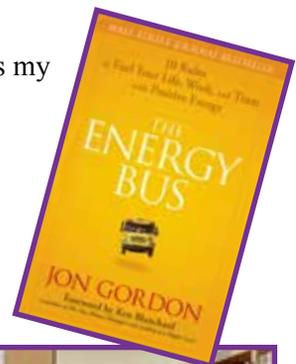
The Energy Bus by Jon Gordon (It's my third time reading the book!)

Favorite holiday?

Christmas

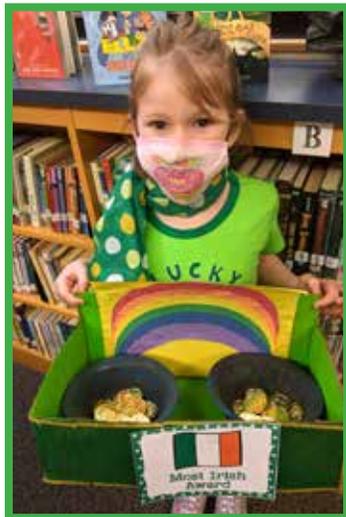
Favorite place to eat in WNY?

Bar Bill Tavern in East Aurora



LEPRECHAUN TRAPS

Students in kindergarten and 1st grade made traps to try and catch the pesky West Valley Leprechaun. Even though their traps were very colorful and creative, they couldn't trick that Leprechaun. He did leave the students awards and prizes and he wished them better luck next year.



TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

The deadline for transportation requests to a non-public school for your student(s) outside of the West Valley Central School District is April 1, 2021. Parents are reminded that written transportation requests for non-public schools must be received by April 1, 2021 to be eligible for the 2021-2022 school year.

Send requests to:
Ann O'Brien, Business Official
West Valley Central School
5359 School Street
West Valley, New York 14171



CLOTHES CLOSET

St. John the Baptist Church has a Free Community Clothes Closet located behind the church in Bingham Hall every Wednesday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Besides clothing and shoes, we accept bedding, kitchen and household items and books for Cattaraugus County residents. Donations of gently worn, undamaged, clean, and seasonal items are welcome.

Upon request, we have access to fulfill a need of furniture items.

If you have any questions or would like to make an appointment, please call Jacque Conrad at 942-3836.

Thank you very much for the continued support and a successful year.



STEAM CLUB MARS

The 2nd and 3rd grade STEAM Club blasted off to the red planet. We celebrated the landing of the Perseverance Rover on Mars. We discovered that we could make paint from Red Hot candies, and used the paint to make really cool art. We made straw rockets so we could blast off to space! Everyone had fun while we were learning.



WEST VALLEY STUDENTS READY TO "SHOW WHAT THEY KNOW"

MR. DANIEL AMODEO, PRE-K-12 PRINCIPAL/CURRICULUM COORDINATOR

We have come a long way since the late summer of 2020 when we were not sure what school would look like in September. With the support of our entire school community we have been able to provide 100% In-Person learning for almost the entire year. It has not been easy but it is something we have been able to accomplish by working together to solve problems along the way.

Starting April 19th, we have the exciting opportunity to see the fruits of our labor. Students in schools across the state will begin taking assessments in ELA, Math, and Science. This year's state assessments will be much different than in year's past due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

For the 3-8 ELA and Math Assessments students will only have one day (1 Session) of testing for each subject. ELA assessments can occur any day between April 19th-April 29th. Math assessments can be given between May 3rd- May 14th. Similar adjustments have been made to the 4th and 8th grade Science assessments and the number of required Regents exams has been reduced to four: Algebra I, Earth Science, Living Environment, and ELA.

Throughout the last several years, the number of students who have not taken the 3-8 assessments has been significant. When we do not have all our students take the assessments it negatively impacts our school. The state assessments are an opportunity for our students to "Show What They Know," provide our teachers with valuable information on how and what to improve, and an opportunity for our school to show our progress.

Having all our students taking the assessments this year is critical in providing us with the information we need to adjust our curriculum and instruction. It will assist us in addressing the potential negative impacts the pandemic may have had on the learning of our students, your children. I love this school, our students, and staff. My heart is filled with West Valley pride and the desire for us to be the best school possible. All students doing their best is an opportunity for them to "Show What They Know" and how much we have grown. If there are ever any questions about the state assessment program, please do not hesitate to contact me.

YOU
CAN
Totally
DO THIS.



FROZEN PIZZA SALE

APRIL 19 - MAY 7

WVCS
CLASS OF 2022

\$10 FOR A 12"
**TIM AND BONNIES FAMOUS
FROZEN CHEESE AND
PEPPERONI PIZZA**

Help support the Class of 2022 and local business, Tim & Bonnies. See a Junior or Mrs. Mazzuto for more information.



SOFTBALL ACADEMY

FREE TWO HOURS OF FUN AND EXCITEMENT HOSTED BY THE WEST VALLEY VARSITY SOFTBALL TEAM

DRILLS
GAMES
ACTIVITIES

APRIL 24, 2021
9-11:00 AM (AGES 4-7)
12-2:00 PM (AGES 8-12)
Every student will go home with a prize or souvenir



SIGN UP WITH MR. HANSEN BY APRIL 9TH
942-3100 EXT 4108
BHANSEN@WVALLEY.ORG



PIONEER DAY QUILT

The second graders have been studying the westward expansion of the United States. Each child made their own "quilt" squares made from information for each lesson we learned. Their quilts were displayed in the hallway. They made covered wagons, travel trunks and pioneer toys (doll and spinner), and painted a log house (that will become a bird house). They also had to choose 10 items that they would pack for their trip and create a poster. We finished our unit by having a "pioneer day." The children dressed as pioneers and we displayed our work on tables in the auditorium. Mr. Hansen interviewed the pioneers about their adventure. Please visit our Facebook page if you would like to see the students' work and the video.



4TH GRADE QUILT DAY

The fourth graders in Mrs. Dix's classroom have been learning about symbolism and traditions throughout a variety of cultures by exploring different media and texts. As a wrap-up of this learning experience, the fourth graders each created a quilt square to represent them as a member of their classroom community. Scan the QR code above with your smartphone camera or visit <https://flipgrid.com/+wvcsquilt> to hear from each fourth grader about their quilt square!

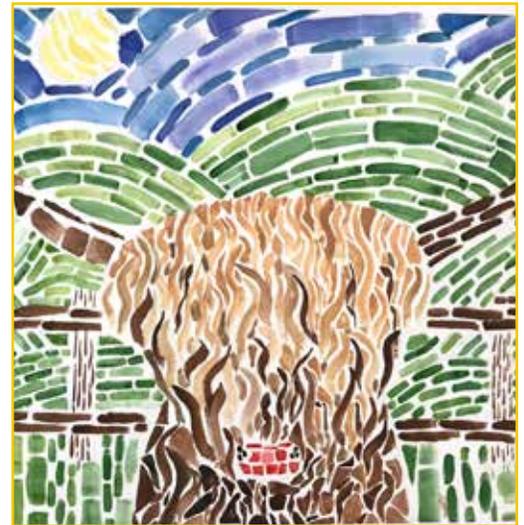


HEART BEAT

We have been very busy in the art room! All students in Kindergarten through fifth grade have been working on self-portraits. They learned about proportion and the placement of facial features. Afterwards, Kindergarteners learned about mosaics and creating their own St. Patrick's Day shamrocks. Our elementary students have also been working on their three-dimensional skills, sculpting clay figures out of model magic. They ranged from winter themes to animals.

Our high school sculpture students have been working on their building skills, creating "big heads" of themselves out of paper mache. We are now learning about the artist Louise Nevelson and emulating her assemblage designs. Eighth graders are learning about Solomon LeWitt and his take on conceptual art. They participated in their own collaborative wall art, designing circles from the same set of directed instructions, but left up to them for interpretation. Sixth graders have created their own versions of self-portraits, but in Minecraft mode! This lesson taught a lot about math and symmetry while incorporating the Minecraft theme.

Our student of the month is high school senior Kyle Hickey. His favorite subject is woodworking and he loves to sleep. He enjoys the novel "Animal Farm," the movie "Inception," and pizza. "Kyle has always been a hard-working student in the art room," says teacher Mrs. Mazzuto. "He is always up for a new challenge and has shown growth throughout his high school career." Congratulations, Kyle!



WEST VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL



WVCS 2021-2022 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR

April 3, 2021	1st Publication of Legal Notice for Budget Hearing, Vote and Election
April 13, 2021	Budget Workshop – 7:00 p.m.
April 19, 2021	Board candidate petitions due to District Clerk by 5:00 p.m.
April 20, 2021	BOE meeting 7:00 p.m. – Final Budget Review, Adoption of 2021/2022 Budget & Property Tax Report Card/Adoption of BOCES Admin Budget
April 21, 2021	Submission of Property Tax Report Card to SED, Submission of Property TX Report Card to local newspaper
May 4 – May 18, 2021	Copies of the budget are available to residents upon request
May 6, 2021	Voter Registration Day 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., District Office
May 11, 2021	Annual Budget Hearing 7:00 p.m. Auditorium/BOE meeting following hearing
May 12, 2021	Budget Notice mailed to district residents
May 18, 2021	Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Election from noon to 9:00 p.m. gymnasium/ BOE meeting 8:00 p.m. library conference room

*** Last business day on which BOE can adopt a budget- Tuesday, April 27, 2021

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION?

Petitions to be a candidate for a board of education seat are available beginning March 17, 2021, in the district office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. **Signed petitions must be filed with Carolyn Boberg, District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on April 19, 2021.**

When the petition is picked up, you will need to **identify what specific seat** you would like to run for. There are three seats open for election to the Board of Education. The seats are currently held by Timothy Ploetz (term expires on June 30, 2021), **five-year term**, Brad Frank

(appointed to seat due to resignation), **one year remaining on original term** and Amanda Lawrence (appointed to seat due to resignation), **three years remaining on original term**. The petition requires signatures and residences of at least 25 qualified voters. On the petition the candidate's name and residence should be on each page of the petition.

To qualify to be a board candidate you must meet the following criteria:

- A citizen of the United States,
- Eighteen (18) years of age or older,
- Able to read and write,
- A legal resident of the District for a continuous and uninterrupted period of at least one (1) year prior to the election,

- Cannot be an employee of the West Valley Central School District,
- The only member of his/her family (that is, cannot be a member of the same household) on the West Valley Central School District Board,
- May not simultaneously hold another incompatible public office, including, but not limited to Superintendent, clerk, tax collector, treasurer or librarian, or an employee of the Board.
 - o In union free and central school districts, however, a Board member may be appointed clerk of the Board and of the District.
- Must not have been removed from a school district office within one (1) year preceding the date of appointment or election to the Board.



IN PERSON REGISTRATION

Registration will be held in the district office on **May 6th from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Please bring personal identification and proof of address with you to register. You may also register online at the Department of Motor Vehicles website at:

<https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>

If you are not registered, you may not cast a ballot. Please take the time to register, everyone's vote is important. If you are in doubt, call Carolyn Boberg, District Clerk at 942-3100 ext. 4102 to determine your status.

If you have voted in recent years your name will be on the list.

To qualify to vote, you must be:

- (1) a citizen of the United States,
- (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older,
- (3) a resident within the District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the next meeting at which he/she offers to vote,
- (4) a college student whose legal residence is in the school district,
- (5) on the **Personal Registration of Voters** list for **West Valley Central School District** which is provided by the Cattaraugus County Board of Elections.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

West Valley Central School District is required by law to make absentee ballots available to qualified district voters for our May 18th, 2021 Annual Budget Vote, proposition to approve a bus/vehicle reserve and board members election. Call Carolyn Boberg, District Clerk at 942-3100 ext. 4102 for an application or question.

A qualified district voter must request in advance an **application** for **absentee ballots** and select the reason you will not be able to appear in person on May 18th, 2021 to vote in person on this particular day.

- (a) are/or will be a patient in the hospital, or unable to appear personally at the polling place on such day because of illness or physical disability or,
- (b) duties, occupation, business or studies will require him/her to be outside of the country/county or city of their residence on such day, or
- (c) on vacation outside the country/county or city of his residence on such day; or,
- (d) absent from his voting residence because detained in jail awaiting action by a grand jury or awaiting trial or is confined in prison after conviction for an offense other than a felony.
- (e) COVID concern

The district clerk must receive the **application** at least seven days before May 18th, 2021 (**if the ballots need to be mailed to you), this will give ample time to be returned to the district**). Completed absentee ballots will be accepted by Carolyn Boberg until 5:00 p.m. on May 18th, in the District Office.

ANNUAL BUDGET, PROPOSITION FOR BUS/VEHICLE RESERVE AND BOARD MEMBER VOTE

Will be held on **Tuesday, May 18th, 2021 from noon until 9:00 p.m.** in the **WVCS GYMNASIUM**. This location will provide enough room to socially distance. Face masks are required, and temperatures will be taken upon arrival.

The district will again rent the electronic voting machines from Cattaraugus County.



THE TEACHER'S DESK

BY KYLE WOODIN

The Teacher's Desk, located in Buffalo, NY is a place where "teachers shop free for students in need." There are over 200 volunteers/week that assist in unloading, stocking, packing up bags and boxes for teachers to pick up for their classrooms. As a result of the very generous donations from individuals, businesses and corporations, over 150,000 students have benefited from these supplies. Some of the supplies include pens, pencils, backpacks, markers, novels, posters, etc.

On one of my latest trips, Ms. Woodin (Health/Special Ed./Driver Ed Teacher) received 50 packages of cleaning supplies. All of these supplies have been donated and bagged up for distribution at local schools. These supplies are being distributed throughout the school to teachers/staff.

I would like to give a huge thank you to all of the businesses for their kind donations to help out local students and teachers.



ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING

Monday, May 11, 2021
WVCS Auditorium 7:00 p.m.



2021 PTO Plant Sale

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Students will also be bringing order forms home before break

Plants may be picked up at Fox Valley Greenhouse (942-3710) on Wednesday May 19 or Thursday May 20 between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. We will have other items available for sale, depending on our inventory at that time.

Please mail order forms and payment (checks payable to West Valley PTO) by April 20, 2021.

**West Valley PTO
c/o Amy Butler
5378 Williams Ave
West Valley, NY 14171**

Or give to a PTO member or WVCS teacher

Please note if you'd like a WVCS student to receive credit for your purchase; prizes will be awarded to the top 5 sellers in the school!

Again we offer flats of mixed colors (red, pink, white) for impatiens and petunias.

Important Notes:

Mixed flowering annuals: 48 plants total: 6 plants of each, giant zinnia, tall snapdragon, pansy, marigold, wax begonia, petunia, impatiens, coleus, (possible substitutions might be dusty miller, portulaca)

***Vegetables include:** 4 cucumbers, 4 winter squash, 2 zucchini, 2 summer squash, 4 hot peppers, 4 sweet peppers, 4 cherry tomatoes, 4 cabbage, 8 tomato, 4 lettuce, 4 broccoli, 4 cauliflower

***Herbs include:** Herbs: thyme, oregano, lavender, basil, parsley, rosemary, dill, sage

***Mixed hanging basket** (5 varieties/colors minimum): lobularia, bidens, verbena, calibrochoa, hanging petunia, sweet potato vine, etc.

***14" patio pot** is mixed plant material and colors and comes in a 14" terra cotta pot.

Any special ordering questions, contact the Couture's at the Greenhouse. (942-3710)

Thank you for your support!



APRIL 2021 - GRADES PREK-12 - BREAKFAST MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			Sausage, Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	NO SCHOOL GOOD FRIDAY
5 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	6 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	7 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	8 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	9 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK
12 Pillsbury Frudel, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	13 Pillsbury Cinni Mini, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	14 Breakfast Burrito, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	15 Pillsbury Frudel, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	16 Assorted Muffins, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk
19 Pillsbury Frudel, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	20 Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	21 Rich's WG Donut, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	22 Breakfast Burrito, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	23 Pillsbury Cinni Mini, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk
26 Pillsbury Frudel, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	27 Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	28 Rich's WG Donut, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	29 Breakfast Burrito, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk	30 Assorted Muffins, Cereal or Bagel ----- Juice, Fruit, Non- or Low-Fat Milk

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGES

REMEMBER, if you are approved for free Lunch, you are automatically approved for Breakfast!

APRIL 2021 - GRADES PREK-12 - LUNCH MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			Reg. or Chicken Wing Pizza, OR Egg Salad Sandwich ----- Assorted Vegetables	NO SCHOOL GOOD FRIDAY
5 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	6 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	7 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	8 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK	9 NO SCHOOL SPRING BREAK
12 Double Cheeseburger OR Ham & Cheese Sandwich ----- French Fries	13 Nacho Grande OR Turkey Sandwich ----- Corn, Soup	14 Chicken Pattie on Bun OR BLT Sandwich ----- Green Beans, Rice	15 Pizza OR Egg Salad Sandwich ----- Tossed Salad, Soup	16 Meatballs/Garlic Bread OR Ham Wrap ----- Rotini with Sauce, Green Beans
19 BBQ Chicken on Bun OR Turkey Sandwich ----- Buttered Noodles, Green Beans	20 Build Your Own Taco (Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese) OR Ham Sandwich ----- Corn, Rice, Soup	21 Chicken 7 Biscuit OR Turkey/ Cheese Sandwich ----- Mixed Veggies	22 Pizza OR Spicy Chicken Wrap ----- Tossed Salad, Soup	23 BBQ Pork on Bun OR Turkey & Bacon Sandwich ----- French Fries
26 Bacon Double Cheeseburger OR Chicken Salad Sandwich ----- Baked Beans	27 Taco in Bag OR Ham Sandwich ----- Corn, Soup	28 BBQ Chicken Strips OR BLT Wrap ----- Carrots, Mac & Cheese	29 Pizza OR Turkey/Cheese Sandwich ----- Tossed Salad, Soup	30 Chicken Nuggets OR Chicken Salad Wrap ----- Carrots, Fries

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGES



DR. SEUSS BIRTHDAY WEEK

Primary classes celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday week. Students came dressed with crazy socks, crazy hair, a moustache, green clothes; some dressed as their future career. Students did a variety of projects throughout the week and heard many stories all focused around Dr. Seuss. At the end of the week they heard the story "Oh, The Places You'll Go" and made hot air balloons that told what they want to be when they grow up. A fun time was had by all!



STEAM IN KINDERGARTEN

The Kindergarten class has been excited to engage in activities focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics. We've learned to explore building with cinder blocks, bricks, and even measured how high of a stack we can step over. We learned to make educated predictions on combining colors, the density of different liquids, and how to break down candy Skittles. In addition, we researched and learned how a rainbow is really created and how we can do that in our classroom and homes. The kindergarten kiddos' love of learning is truly inspiring!



THE CHEMISTRY OF MAPLE SUGARING

BY KASPER HEITMAN

The Chemistry class of West Valley Central School has spent the last couple weeks collecting sap from sugar maple trees behind the school. However, it is Western New York, so the weather isn't always perfect for collecting. On the days that the sap is running, they fill buckets with the sap and have partnered with local maple

producer, Mr. Richard Conrad, for help boiling. When the weather is stagnant, and the sap is stuck in one place, they spend the time researching to have a real know-how of the entire process of syrup making—from other products they can make, to the

best ways to collect sap, even why it is the sugar maple that we tap for making maple syrup. They are having a lot of fun learning about it, and it's a very engaging way for them to learn about chemistry.



OUR COACHES ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE UPCOMING SEASON!

BRYAN HANSEN

WVCS ATHLETICS

HEAD VARSITY SOFTBALL COACH

Years at WV: 14

Job title at WV: Technology Coordinator/Computer Teacher

Coaching experience: 14 years

Favorite coach: Tony LaRussa

Favorite athlete: Yadier Molina

Favorite sports movie: The Rookie



"Today I will do what others won't, so tomorrow I can accomplish what others can't." — Jerry Rice

Goals for the team: To be a competitive, positive, and exciting team that works hard and pushes themselves and each other to be the best they can be every day and for years to come!

RAE ANN LINDBERG

WVCS ATHLETICS

HEAD VARSITY TRACK & FIELD COACH

Years at WV: 28

Job Title at WV: Girls PE Teacher

Coaching experience: 9 years

Favorite coach: Sean McDermott

Favorite athlete: Pat LaFontaine



"Every accomplishment begins with the decision to try."
— John F. Kennedy

Goals for the team: Work Together, Encourage, and inspire their teammates; have fun; improve on their times/scores both as a TEAM and individually.

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WVCS ATHLETICS

ASSISTANT VARSITY SOFTBALL COACH

Years at WV: 4

Job title at WV: School Psychologist

Coaching experience: 6 years

Favorite coach: Mr. Schneider from playing travel softball for the Hamburg Breakers.

Favorite athlete: Derek Jeter

Favorite sports movie: The Blind Side



"Never say never because limits, like fears, are often just illusions."
— Michael Jordan

Goals for the team: To create a fun and competitive environment that the girls find challenging and supportive, to showcase the good sportsmanship and talents of our West Valley athletes, and to have a successful first softball season that will last many years to come.

CHRISTOPHER SCHIUMO

WVCS ATHLETICS

ASSISTANT VARSITY TRACK & FIELD COACH

Years at WV: 2

Job title at WV: Athletic Director/Boys PE Teacher

Coaching experience: 10 years,

0 years track and field 😊

Favorite coach ever: Mike Krzyzewski

Favorite athlete: Derek Jeter

Favorite sports movie: The Sandlot



"When you feel like stopping, remember why you started."

Goals for the team: To show leadership in bringing together athletes, students, administration and the community. Unity as one.

WEST VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

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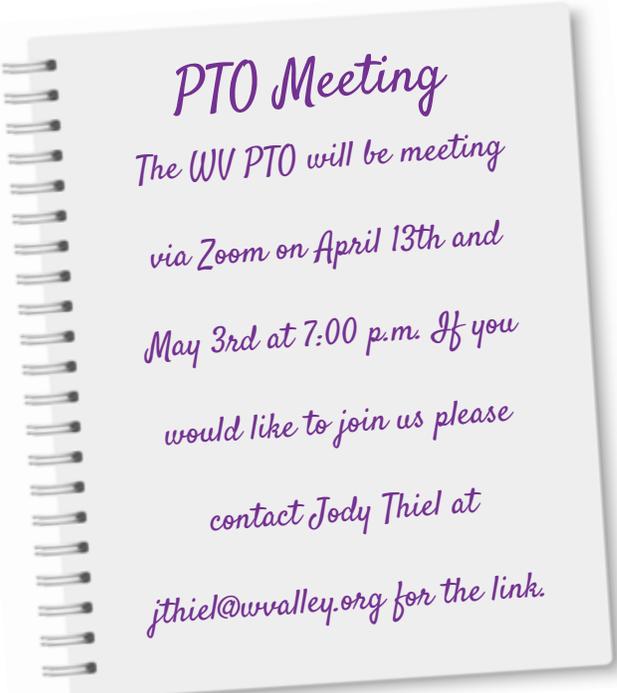
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West Valley Apparel Sale - Spring 2021

<p>A</p>  <p>B</p>  <p>TSHIRTS: A - SHORT SLEEVE - \$15 B - LONG SLEEVE - \$20</p> <p>Sizes: Youth: XS - XL Adult: S - XL</p>	<p>C</p>  <p>HOODED SWEATSHIRT - C</p> <p>Sizes: Youth: MD - XL Adult: S - XL</p> <p>Price: \$30.00</p>	<p>D</p> <p>SWEATPANTS - D</p> <p>Sizes: Youth: XS - XL Adult: XS - XL</p> <p>Price: \$30.00 Youth \$25.00</p> 
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Money due with order by: **04/16/2021**

CASH OR CHECK- Please make checks payable to: **WVCS Student Council**

Family orders can all be entered on one form- just indicate one homeroom for the goods to be delivered to
Student Name: _____ Phone #: _____
Homeroom Teacher: _____

Qty.	Item Letter	Item Description	Style	Size	Price	Total
			Youth / Adult			
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Check here if this order is a surprise and we will hold the order for you to pick up. If left unchecked - orders will be given to students in their homeroom classes.

Order Total: \$ _____



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For Questions regarding orders, please contact: **Rachel Mychajluk 942-3100 x4135**