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January 2025



NOTES FROM MRS. BEEM

Warm Winter Greetings Country View Families!

I hope that you have stayed warm during these cold winter days! I want to take a moment to express my sincere appreciation for your continued support of your child's learning. The past few weeks at Country View students have been actively engaged in assessments to help us all better understand your child's strengths and areas of growth! Teachers will use this data and the information they receive daily in the classroom to guide their instruction. We have launched into Unit 3 in our Savvas literacy work. The table below shows the unit theme and the essential question that guides instruction throughout the unit. Your child should be able to update you on what they are learning based on this unit question and tell you what they are learning for the week based on this question!

Kinder	**Unit:** Tell me a story **Question:** Why do we like stories?	**3rd**	**Unit:** Heroes **Question:** What makes a hero?
1st	**Unit:** Imagine That **Question:** How can we use our imaginations?	**4th**	**Unit:** Diversity **Question:** How can we reach new understandings through diversity?
2nd	**Unit:** Our Traditions **Question:** What makes a tradition?	**5th**	**Unit:** Reflections **Question:** How do the experiences of others reflect our own?

Country View learners are growing as scientists, readers, writers, speakers, and listeners! I hope these questions help you learn more about what your child is learning each day!

We are incredibly proud of the amazing things our students accomplish both inside and outside the classroom. Their creativity, kindness, and dedication inspire all of us every day. We are also incredibly grateful for the unwavering support of our entire school community. Together, we create a vibrant and nurturing environment where every student at Country View thrives!

Stay Warm!
In Service~
Ms. Beem

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ATTENDANCE UPDATES

Welcome to the second semester! We believe in the incredible potential of every student at Country View! To help your child reach their full academic and personal potential, we want to highlight the importance of regular school attendance. As we enter a new semester, we wanted to take a moment to remind you of our District Attendance Policies as well as the available support should your family need it.

Verona Area School District Attendance Policy:

- 10-Day Absence Limit: Per Wisconsin State Statutes, parents/guardians may excuse a student for ten (10) days per school year, for any or no reason. If a doctor's note is provided as proof for appointments or illness, the absence will be medically excused and not count towards the 10 days.
  - Any absences beyond the 10 days will be recorded as unexcused unless they are excused for other allowable reasons (religious observances, funeral attendance, or medical appointment with documentation)
- Unexcused Absences: Unexcused absences occur when the school is not notified of an absence by the parent/guardian of the absent student. Or if a parent/guardian has exhausted the 10 days they are able to excuse their child, subsequent absences would be marked as unexcused. A parent/guardian meeting will be scheduled after the 5th unexcused absence. If efforts to reduce truancy are not effective other avenues may be pursued.
  - If a student is open-enrolled in the District and is habitually truant from the District, the Board may revoke the student's open-enrollmentstatus in the succeeding semester or school year.

Supporting Your Child's Success:

- Communicate with Us: If your child needs to miss school, please let us know as soon as possible. Please call the attendance line at 608-845-4803 or email cv-frontdesk@verona.k12.wi.us to report an absence.
- Healthy Habits: Help your child develop healthy sleep habits and a morning routine to ensure they are ready for school each day. Free breakfast is available every day to every student.
- School Support: If your family has questions or is experiencing difficulty getting to school for any reason, please contact Ms. Lily, School Social Worker at 608-854-4833 or hlavacel@verona.k12.wi.us.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Please send winter gear with your child every day. When the temperature and windchill are above 0 degrees we will be outside!

RESOURCE CLOSET NEEDS

We are in need of new/gently used boots and warm/waterproof gloves and mittens. Donations can be sent to the main office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 7- Glow Dance @ Country View 6-8
February 17- NO SCHOOL
February 24-27 Book Fair
February 24-28- Hats for Help (more details to come!)
February 27 - Related Arts Night 5:30-7:00

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CELL PHONES & PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Recently we have had an uptick in students using their cell phones and smart watches during the day to communicate with others. If a student is found engaging in this type of communication, we will confiscate the device and the caretaker will need to come to Country View to retrieve the device. As a reminder, all communication with your child must go through the office. Our attendance line number is: 608-845-4803 or the email address is: cv-frontdesk@verona.k12.wi.us

As a reminder, the district policy for cell phones and personal communication devices is as follows:
Cell Phones and Personal Communication (VASD Admin Rule 533)
We acknowledge cell phones and other personal communication technology (ex. smartwatches) as safety tools for families. With phones available in all of our classroom environments, we expect these devices to stay powered off and safely secured during the school day. If a child feels that a device cannot safely be stored during the school day, they may ask a staff member to store this for them. Students should not be texting during school hours without prior administrative approval. Any calls home that are needed during school hours must go through a district phone, facilitated by a staff member. This ensures that needs (ex. illness, peer conflict) are being addressed in time and safely monitored.

STUDENT SERVICES UPDATES

Second semester Counselor Connection lessons focus on problem solving and coping tools. We use Kelso's Choice Wheel across all grade levels to teach 9 different ways to solve small problems. Students are taught to try at least 2 choices on the wheel before going to an adult for help with small sized problems. Starting in 3rd grade, we increase the number of choices they need to try (3rd graders try 3 choices, 4th graders try 4 choices, etc.). This is to help students practice using strategies to solve their problems on their own.



PROGRAM OF PROMISE

WISCONSIN SCHOOL COUNSELING ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

COUNTRY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT DOCUMENT SPONSORED BY THE WISCONSIN SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION

EXCITING NEWS!!

Thanks to the hard work of Rachel Reshower, school counselor, Country View Elementary has earned the Program of Promise Award! The award celebrates the impact of the school counseling program on students. Only 7 schools in the state of Wisconsin have received this honor! Way to go Rachel!

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RELATED ARTS NIGHT

Let your student show you what they do in PE, ART, MUSIC, COUNSELOR CONNECTION, and LIBRARY!

Enjoy these activities offered on **Thursday, February 27th from 5:30-7pm**:

- PE games in the Gym
- Art Room Showcase
- Read Aloud in the Library
- Calm Down Tools in Ms. Reshower's room
- Concert Sneak Peeks for 1st-5th graders throughout the evening (schedule below)
- Scavenger Hunt!

If you can attend, you can plan to have your learner there for the Sneak Peak! We are so excited to have you join us for this Country View Event and look forward to seeing you there! The Related Arts Team is excited to announce our 2nd Annual Related Arts Night!!

RELATED ARTS TEAM

Molly Kruger ---- Music
Nick Dunkleberger ---- PE
Brett Dresen ---- PE
Erica Vetrovec ---- Art
Lisa Miller ---- Library
Rachel Reshower ---- School Counselor

CONCERT SNEAK PEEK SCHEDULE

GRADE	TIME
1st grade ----------	5:45 PM
2nd grade ---------	6:00 PM
3rd grade ----------	6:15 PM
4th grade ----------	6:30 PM
5th grade ----------	6:45 PM

NEED A RIDE TO RELATED ARTS NIGHT?

CONTACT: Lily Hlavacek
PHONE: 608-845-4833



COUNTRY VIEW GLOW DANCE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH
6-8PM

No fee for admission. Siblings welcome! Parents or guardians are required to attend with child.

The DJ & Photo Booth are back again this year!

Concessions & pizza available for purchase.

A glow bracelet and a free raffle ticket for the Basket Raffles will be provided for each Country View student - extra tickets will be available for purchase.

Venmo & cash accepted for all purchases.

If you need transportation assistance, please contact CV's Social Worker, Ms. Lily, at 608-845-4833.



We hope to see you there!



Munch
Mobile Meals

2025 Schedule
January 6–June 13

Monday — *No Service Jan. 20 or May 26*

Cypress Splash Park	1:10–1:30 pm
Goodman Library	1:35–1:55 pm
Penn Park	2:00–2:20 pm
Sirloin Strip	2:25–2:45 pm
Southdale Park	3:00–3:30 pm
Brittingham Apartments – community room drop-off	TBD

Tuesday

The Triangle – Karabis Apartments	1:45–2:15 pm
East Madison Community Center	2:45–3:25 pm
Salvation Army – Darbo Dr	3:30–3:50 pm
Hawthorne Library	3:55–4:25 pm

Wednesday

The Pines Apartments – office	2:45–3:05 pm
The HighLine Senior Apartments	3:10–3:35 pm
*Nakoma Heights Apartments	3:50–4:10 pm
New Fountains Apartments	4:15–4:35 pm

Thursday

Lakeview Library	3:05–3:25 pm
Parkcrest Apartments	3:30–3:50 pm
Vera Court	3:55–4:25 pm
Packers Townhomes	4:30–4:50 pm
Harmony Apartments – community room drop-off	TBD

Friday — *No Service Feb. 28*

Trailsway	3:15–3:35 pm
Ridgecrest Apartments	3:40–4:00 pm
Northport Apartments	4:00–4:30 pm
Kennedy Heights Townhomes	4:05–4:35 pm
Oak Park Terrace – mailbox	4:40–5:00 pm

*Munch is The River Food Pantry's mobile meals program. Everyone is invited to take a free meal and fresh produce. No registration or ID required. For questions or to learn about the community room drop-offs, please email munch@riverfoodpantry.org. *=NEW*

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Munch
Comida Móvil

Horario 2025
6 de enero al 13 de junio

Lunes — *No disponible 20 de enero ni 26 de mayo*

Cypress Splash Park	1:10–1:30 pm
Goodman Library	1:35–1:55 pm
Penn Park	2:00–2:20 pm
Sirloin Strip	2:25–2:45 pm
Southdale Park	3:00–3:30 pm
Brittingham Apartments – salón comunitario	Por determinar

Martes

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East Madison Community Center	2:45–3:25 pm
Salvation Army – Darbo Dr	3:30–3:50 pm
Hawthorne Library	3:55–4:25 pm

Miércoles

The Pines Apartments – oficina	2:45–3:05 pm
The HighLine Senior Apartments	3:10–3:35 pm
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New Fountains Apartments	4:15–4:35 pm

Jueves

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Vera Court	3:55–4:25 pm
Packers Townhomes	4:30–4:50 pm
Harmony Apartments – salón comunitario	Por determinar

Viernes — *No disponible 28 de febrero*

Trailsway	3:15–3:35 pm
Ridgecrest Apartments	3:40–4:00 pm
Northport Apartments	4:00–4:30 pm
Kennedy Heights Townhomes	4:05–4:35 pm
Oak Park Terrace – buzón	4:40–5:00 pm

*Munch es el programa de comida móvil de la despensa The River Food Pantry. Munch ofrece comidas y recursos gratuitos. Todos son bienvenidos a llevar una comida y más. No se requiere registro ni identificación. Para preguntas o para obtener más información sobre las entregas en los salones comunitarios, envíe un correo electrónico a munch@riverfoodpantry.org. *=NUEVO*

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