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A weekly email update for the Conestoga Valley School District Community

May 1, 2025



Getting Ready for Commencement

It's hard to believe, but the end of the year is fast approaching, which means it's time to start gearing up for commencement! As usual, a webpage dedicated to this year's commencement and all the surrounding activities (practices, senior class events, etc.) has been set up - click the button below for all the details!

Commencement Webpage



Video of the Week

Just in case there was any doubt, spring is indeed here! A mama duck and her ducklings were spotted in the CVHS courtyard late last week. Don't worry, they are quite safe! She has made a nest there for the past several years and our grounds crew makes sure she has a safe area to nest each spring.

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CVEF Awards Spring Grants



Conestoga Valley Education Foundation

The <u>Conestoga Valley Education Foundation (CVEF)</u> awarded \$69,030.89 in grant money during its 2025 spring grant cycle. CVEF officially approved seven grants at its April 25 meeting.

CVEF was formed in 1991 to encourage creativity and educational excellence in the classrooms of Conestoga Valley School District. Since its inception, CVEF has awarded more than \$1,000,000 in grants to students, teachers and administrators. The programs and projects supported by these grants would not have been possible through regular school district budgets.

Click the button below to read about this spring's grants!

More Information

Apply Now for Pre-K Counts!



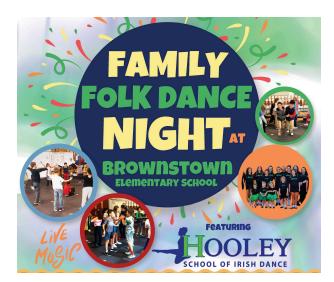
Applications are now being accepted for our Pre-K Counts program for the 2025-26 school year!*

Pennsylvania's Pre-K Counts program provides free prekindergarten services to at-risk three- and four-year-olds and offers full day services in CVSD. This program is held in all four of CV's elementary schools.

* a submitted application does not guarantee enrollment in the Pre-K Counts program.

Apply Here

Join the Fun!



Brownstown's first ever Family Folk Dance Night is happening on Thursday, May 15th, 2025, from 6:30–8:00

New Signage Guidelines



CV has recently enacted new guidelines regarding signage on campus. Keep reading for the details!

The Conestoga Valley School District (CVSD) prohibits the placement of signage on school property by outside groups. This includes, but is not limited to, yard signs and banners. If signage is placed on school grounds, the District has the right to remove said signage. Signage can be picked up at the main office of the school/building at which the signage

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p.m. in the Brownstown Elementary Gym...and YES—it's completely FREE!

Everyone is welcome! All ages, all dance levels, all smiles—bring your family, your neighbors, and even your friends from other schools!

Here's why you don't want to miss this lively night:

- The award-winning Hooley School of Irish Dance will dazzle us with a special performance—and then they'll teach us a traditional Irish dance we can all try together!
- Live Folk Music! Featuring Mrs. Brown on fiddle and a few of Mr. B's talented musical friends—forming our small but mighty live folk dance band!
- Easy, joyful group dances anyone can do—no experience needed, just a willingness to have fun!
- · Snacks & drinks to keep your energy up!

Questions? Contact Mr. Bullington.

was placed. Signs will be held at the main office for two weeks before being disposed of.

Exceptions:

- Directional/parking signage for events. Signage is permitted beginning one day prior to the event and must be removed from district property at the conclusion of the event.
- Third party signage. Any third-party contractor of the District must request permission from CVSD prior to placing any signage by calling 717-397-2421 x0007 or emailing <u>Kathryn Odell@conestogavalley.org</u>.

Reminder: Update Your PowerSchool Contact Info



CV encourages parents/guardians to regularly check their contact information in PowerSchool and to make changes as necessary.

There are <u>two</u> different contact forms parents should review and update as necessary:

- Contacts Update: Review and update contacts for school communications related to your student's discipline, grades, health, etc. via phone, email, and/or text message.
- District Notification Contacts Update: Review and update contacts for district communications including attendance notifications, weather closures and delays, transportation changes, emergency information, and other school updates via phone, email, and/or text message.

How to Change Contact Information:

- Log into your parent PowerSchool account
- Navigate to "Forms"
- Click on and complete the "Contacts Update" and/or "District Notification Contacts Update" form(s).

SAT Registration Information



Spring SAT dates will be held on the following dates:

- May 3 (at CVHS)
- June 7 (the June test will not be held at CV, but students can register at other schools)

Register and pay here.

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Conestoga Valley's online
bulletin board is designed to
assist community nonprofit
groups in the CV area to
communicate important
information in an environmentallyfriendly and cost-effective way.
Throughout the school year, we'll
highlight new announcements,
registration information, and more
in this newsletter.



Did you miss a week (or several) of the Buckskin Blast? Don't worry! Archives of this school year's newsletters can be found by clicking the button below!



CV Cares



<u>CV Cares</u> is a decades-old program designed to recognize CV employees who have gone above and beyond to make our students, parents and guardians, and community members feel welcome and supported. The recognition could be for a single extraordinary event or an ongoing pattern of positive interaction and support.

If you have had the opportunity to be on the receiving end of this type of engagement, take a moment to fill out the **online form** to recognize that special educator. Remember, an educator is anyone who has the opportunity to positively impact the life of a child. As such, an educator can be a bus driver, secretary, custodian, teacher, cafeteria worker, school counselor, administrator, or any other support or professional staff associated with CV.

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