Superintendent’s Report

May 14, 2025

Student Pledge Leaders

Henry Hirschom - 3rd grade with Mrs. Baum
Emma Houston - 2nd grade with Mrs. Kraft

Student Government Leaders

James Zhang, Junior Class Treasurer

Board Recognition

Band and Chorus
LV Conservation Club

Band and Chorus

It all started with our reading module called:

Project Earth



"Only if we understand, can we care. Only if we care, will we help. Only if we help shall all be saved."

—Jane Goodall

So, now we're here...



We learned how to answer:

How can caring for Earth and its living things improve life now and in the future?

Garden

We started with grow labs in the classroom



We are now growing:

Cucumbers,

Pumpkins,

Beans,

Perennials,

Lettuce,

Flowers: Marigolds,zinnias, lavender,

Peas

Tomatoes

Basil



Compost Your Food Scraps for a Healthier Planet

EPA

More than half of greenhouse gas emissions from landfills come from wasted food.

Composting food scraps reduces emissions, and using compost helps build healthy soils.

Decreases Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Composting reduces methane emissions by keeping wasted food out of landfills. Applying compost to the soil reduces the need for chemical fertilizers, avoiding emissions from their manufacture and use.

Builds Flood & Drought Resilience

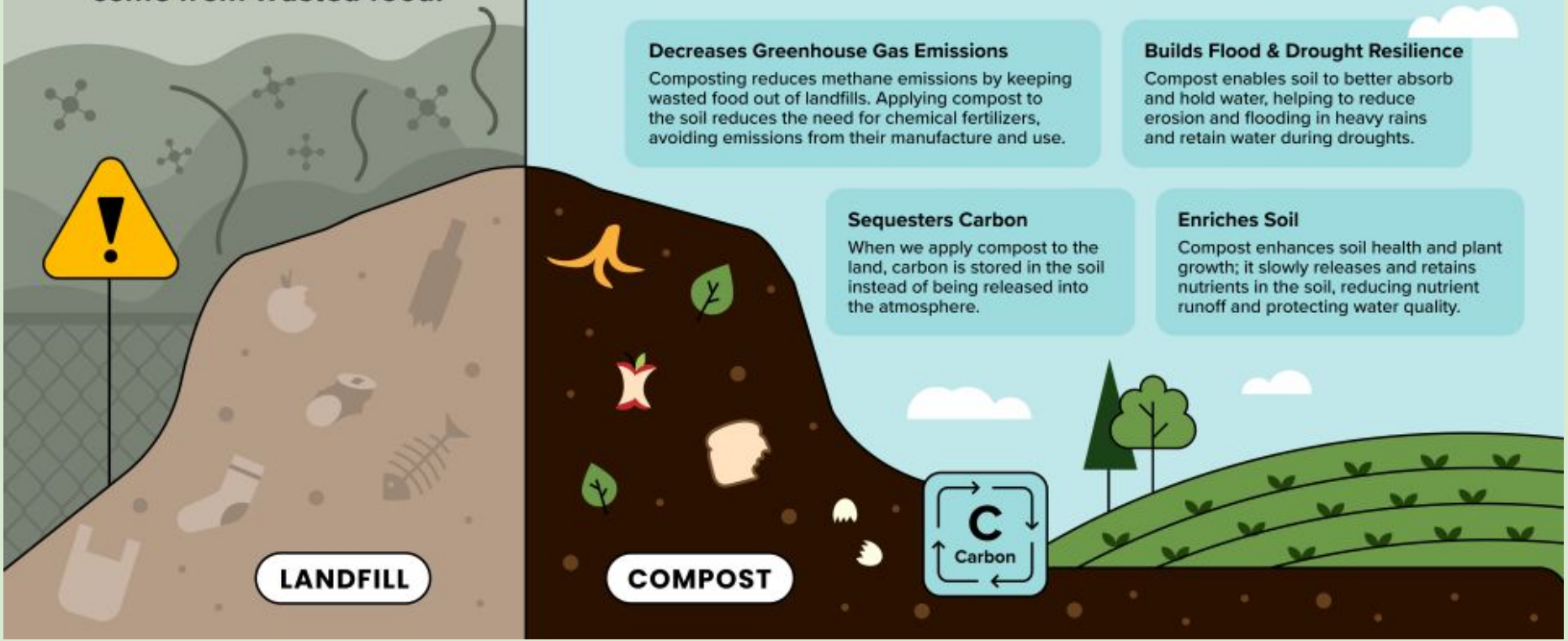
Compost enables soil to better absorb and hold water, helping to reduce erosion and flooding in heavy rains and retain water during droughts.

Sequesters Carbon

When we apply compost to the land, carbon is stored in the soil instead of being released into the atmosphere.

Enriches Soil

Compost enhances soil health and plant growth; it slowly releases and retains nutrients in the soil, reducing nutrient runoff and protecting water quality.



Collect





Dump

Stir



Anti-Litter Bug Club

Teaches kids to be responsible and to care for the Earth.

Educate others on the harmful effects that litter has on the environment.

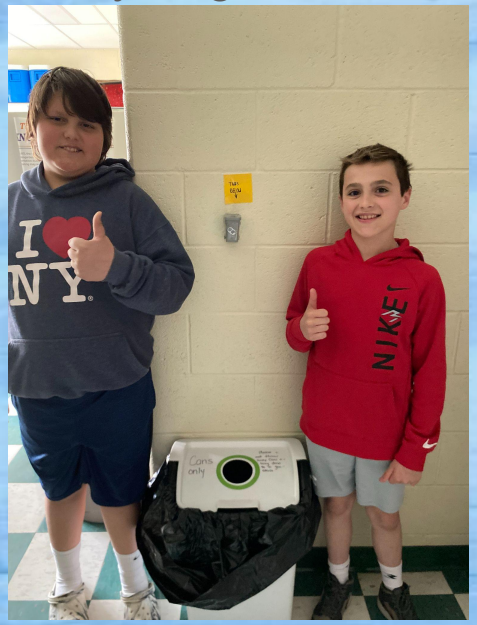
School ground clean-ups throughout the year
*Official Litter-Free School Zone







Recycling Club



Important News!







We're collecting bottle caps and tabs. These are going to be recycled by the L.V. Conservation Club!

- Bottle Caps
- Bottle tabs

For Example:

- From Soup Cans
- From Soda Cans
- From Animal Food Cans
- From Soda Bottles

Stay tuned as these items will be turned into art projects!

We are collecting bottle tabs and plastic bottle caps to make into art to place in our courtyard.
We are going to take the aluminum to a recycling plant to earn money for our club.
We are also collecting crayons to turn into new crayons with cookie molds.

Goals





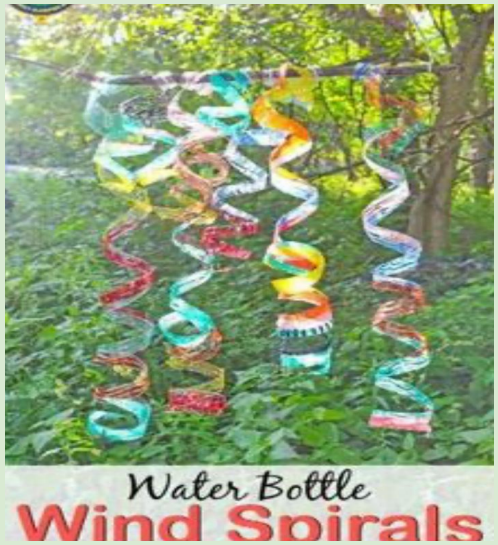
Become more sustainable (replenish and maintain over time)

Learn how to grow our own food

Create a positive school environment

Recycle material into art

Recycled Art Ideas







If you would like to donate perennial flowers to our garden that would be great.

Don't forget we are collecting Tabs and plastic lids

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DPS		**K**	**1**	**2**
	March 2025	155	148	182
	April 2025	155	148	182
	May 2025	155	149	180
LV		**3**	**4**	**5**
	March 2025	159	160	161
	April 2025	159	160	162
	May 2025	160	160	162

DMS		**6**	**7**	**8**	
	March 2025	172	170	177	
	April 2025	171	171	175	
	May 2025	170	171	176	
DHS		**9**	**10**	**11**	**12**
	March 2025	147	148	161	177
	April 2025	148	148	161	175
	May 2025	148	148	161	175
CMAVTS					
	March 2025	32	14	15	21
	April 2025	32	14	15	21
	May 2025	32	14	14	21

Non-Public Enrollment Report

	Aug 2024	Sept 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	March 2025	April 2025	May 2025
Outside Cyber Charter	35	34	40	43	43	42	42	49	48	48
Christian Schools	196	196	190	189	188	188	187	188	188	186
Special Programs	15	16	16	16	18	20	24	22	22	21
Amish Schools	25	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	27
Nature School	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2
Homeschool	109	123	123	127	127	126	120	120	120	122

Administrator Board Reports

Technology Update 05/14/25

Jeffrey Ryan - Director of Information Technology

IT Performance

- Network (April 2025)
  - LAN uptime at 99.95% - 994,011 polls with 458 lost (based on 99 monitored critical devices monitored 24/7). Down slightly from last month. Internet uptime was very good this month with no in-school outages.
  - .Average LAN latency (speed) at .487 milliseconds (based on 99 device average). Slightly faster than last month. Internet latency continues to be great (24 ms Virginia, 46 ms Illinois, and 81 ms California).
  - Average daily use (school hours only) of the Internet at 764.17GB. Down 4.3% from last April
  - Wireless - 4061 unique clients with an average of 1454 clients per day (clients averaging 3.59 GB of usage with a total of 14.25 TB transferred). Wireless latency and signal strength has been very good as well (on average approx. >11 ms and >40 dB respectively).
- Website (April 2025)
  - 44,317 views (999,000+ since launch in August 2023) and 10,733 total users - Slightly up from last month and up from last year (anything over 10,000 views per month for a small school is good).
  - 49.76% bounce rate (rate at which people immediately leave upon entering the site - anything under 40% is good).
  - 6 minute 7 second average session duration (over 2 minutes is considered very good).
  - 28.2% of traffic this month is cell phones and the top source is Google search (3,737 search clicks).
  - Most popular search terms this month are employment and menus.
  - Translations - To date we've had 15,588 words on our site translated to Spanish, 5,243 to Chinese, and 4,224 to French (We offer 5 languages).
- Printing (April 2025)
  - 524,864 pages printed/copied - Down compared to last April (619,872 - 15.3% less)
  - Print 152,429 and Copy 337,436 (laser printer usage down 97% from last February)
- Help desk calls (April 2025)
  - 77 calls entered in last 30 days. 66 documented calls completed in last 30 days (4.72 days average completion time - this includes weekends).

Current IT Projects...

- 25-26 Prep Work
  - 200 new Chromebooks staged for 25-26 (enrolled, updated, and covered)
  - Summer work all mapped out and has begun already
- Network
  - Replaced the switch in the Primary School IDFC
  - Replaced a bad card in the IDF3 switch at Liberty Valley
  - Retired an old camera switch and moved the 23 cameras to a newer switch
  - New HS NVR brought on line as well as some additional cameras
- Assessment
  - Set up CDTs for Middle School science, High School science, and High School math
  - Working on CDTs (PS), iReady (PS), and NWEA (PS, LV, and MS) for May
- Data Services Manager transition
  - New Data Services Manager hired
  - New Data Services Manager and Child Accounting working with IU13 to learn the in and outs of PIMS
    - Weekly one hour meetings to go over current and upcoming PIMS submissions
  - Began working with rostering of assessments in the CDTs and NWEA
  - Training in many other areas has begun

Finance Report

Homestead/Farmstead Reduction

Homestead/Farmstead Exemption Projection 2025

	2024 Tax Year	2025 Tax Year	Year over Year
Act 1 Funds	$834,228.70	$959,913.95	$125,685.25
Sterling Tax Credit	$9,055.55	$20,384.90	$11,329.35
Total Funds	$843,284.25	$980,298.85	$137,014.60
Exemption	$178.00	$208.40	$30.40
Property Tax (130,000 Assessed)	$1,614.83	$1,679.42	$64.58
Net Increase After Homestead Exemption			$34.19