



A weekly email update for the Conestoga Valley School District Community

September 25, 2025



October is Almost Here!

October is right around the corner and it's a busy month, so be sure to mark your calendars!

New this school year - the middle school will be holding its Family-Teacher Conferences on Oct. 23-24, meaning no school for students; it is a REGULAR school day for elementary and high school students, though. Oct. 24 also marks the end of the first quarter.

[The complete district calendar can be found online.](#)



Photo of the Week

This week, Leola staff had the opportunity to tour Leola Elementary which is currently in the midst of renovations. Check out the newly-renovated auditorium pictured here! More photos of the building can be found on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.

Get a Head Start!



CV is excited to announce that later this fall/early winter, we will launch PowerSchool's MyPowerHub! MyPowerHub simplifies family engagement by providing families with centralized information. MyPowerHub will also allow the district to move away from ParentLink for its one-way parent communication (texts, emails, automated phone calls) and shift to SchoolMessenger.

The District will send out ample communication leading up to the launch of MyPowerHub (including School Messenger), but in the meantime, **you can get a headstart** by signing up in advance to receive text/SMS messages so that you are ready to go when we go live with SchoolMessenger - [just click here!](#)

Important (Free!) IT Resource for CV Families



CV encourages parents and guardians to actively monitor their child's use of district-issued devices. Talking regularly about digital responsibility and respect can make a positive impact on their choices.

And District families are also invited (and encouraged!) to use the [Securly Home app](#) to get insights and management tools for your child's district-issued iPad. A resource guide can be found at the link above.

Online Safety Resource for Families



Navigating your child's use of the internet and social media is a complex and oftentimes stressful issue. [Safe and Sound Schools](#) offers a free, online resource to help families cultivate a safer online experience for children and teens today.

[You can access this free resource here.](#)

Fall Play & Learn Series Are Back!

Power Packs Available for CV Families



Play & Learns are back this fall!

Join other families at these **FREE** sessions as parents/caregivers try out kindergarten activities with their children, meet school staff, and build connections with other families.

This fall, all sessions will be held at **Smoketown Elementary (500 Mt. Sidney Rd., Lancaster, PA 17602) from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Students ages 2-5* are welcome!**
*(*not yet enrolled in kindergarten)*

- Oct. 14, 21, 28
- Nov. 4, 11

Register by clicking the button below.



Power Packs is now available to all CV families! [Power Packs Project](#) provides weekend food and nutritional information to students and their families when school breakfast and lunch programs are not available.

Power Packs help children return to school fed, focused, and ready to learn—especially when weekend meals might be uncertain. Power Packs can be picked up at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (750 Greenfield Rd., Lancaster, 17601).

Get more information about the program, including enrollment information, by clicking the button below.



Cancelled!



Please see the message below regarding this Saturday's CV Girls Basketball Ultimate BINGO fundraiser:

"We want to thank everyone who supported and shared our upcoming event! Unfortunately, with

Mark Those Calendars!



We are now just under one month away from the annual CV Community Bonfire!

This year's Bonfire is slated for Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at CVHS (2110 Horseshoe Rd., Lancaster, 17601). This event helps kickstart Homecoming Weekend each year.

Get ready for an evening of food, music, games, and fun - and obviously a bonfire! - for the whole family! The event is **free**, so we hope to see you there!

(The makeup date is Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m.)

very low ticket sales, we've made the tough decision to **CANCEL this Saturday's event**. This was not an easy call, but we hope to make this happen in the future!

— **Refunds** have all been issued through Square.

Thank you for supporting CV Girls Basketball. We appreciate it very much. Hope to see you in our stands this season!"

2025-26 SAT, PSAT Info



CV will host the SATs on the following dates:

- Oct. 4 (*registration deadline has passed*)
- Nov. 8 (registration deadline: Oct. 24)
- Dec. 6 (registration deadline: Nov 21)
- March 14 (registration deadline: Feb. 27)
- May 2 (registration deadline: Apr. 17)

Students create an account, register, and pay at collegeboard.org. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. and the exam begins at 8 a.m.

In addition, CV is hosting the PSAT (practice SAT) on **Saturday, October 11th at 7:30 a.m.** The test is offered only once per year and is not required to take the SAT.

Students who would like to take the PSAT should bring a \$25 check or money order payable to Conestoga Valley to the counseling office by Sept. 16. The test is digital so students must bring their charged iPad.

Upcoming SEEDS Events



SEEDS, a local organization, was formed to cultivate a healthy, thriving Conestoga Valley community, focusing on three key areas: Health, Education, and Housing.

SEEDS has several events coming up:

- [Bridge of Services](#) (Oct. 9, Nov. 13)

Community
BULLETIN BOARD

Conestoga Valley's [online bulletin board](#) is designed to assist community nonprofit groups in the CV area to communicate important information in an environmentally-friendly and cost-effective way. Throughout the school year, we'll highlight new



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!

[Click Here](#)

announcements,
registration information,
and more in this
newsletter.

This week, information
about the Oct. 14 [East
Earl Fire Company Open
House](#) was posted.

Information about the [CV
Youth Girls Basketball
rec program](#) was also
added.

CV Cares



[CV Cares](#) 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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