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# THE BARONS BUZZ

A DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

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### Superintendent Message- Welcome Back!

Dear Buckeye Valley Community,

As the summer days begin to wind down, I am excited to welcome you to a brand-new school year at Buckeye Valley! Whether you're a returning family or new to our district, we're grateful you've chosen to be part of this remarkable community where students are encouraged to grow, explore, and succeed.

This year brings with it continued momentum and enthusiasm. We are proud to share that our schools remain strong and stable, with exceptional teachers, dedicated support staff, and a leadership team committed to ensuring every student feels seen, challenged, and supported. Our facilities continue to improve. With the new middle school roof nearing completion and plans for the addition already in motion, these enhancements reflect our ongoing investment in providing top-tier learning environments.

We're also excited to welcome our 5th graders to the middle school this year, a step designed to better align academic experiences with students' developmental needs and relieve the overcrowding at the elementary schools. Change can bring questions, but we're confident this move will be a positive and enriching transition for all involved.

We are especially excited about:

- The new roof on the middle school.
- The beginning phases of planning for the middle school addition.
- The transition of 5th-grade students to the middle school, creating a more connected learning pathway.
- A new bargaining agreement that reflects our commitment to valuing all of our employees.
- Continued consistency in building leadership and very low staff turnover, a reflection of the strength and stability we've built together.

As superintendent, I remain committed to fostering open communication, shared responsibility, and a culture of excellence. Let's continue working together, families, staff,

students, and community members, to make this school year one of growth, achievement, and connection.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Buckeye Valley Local Schools. We look forward to a successful school year ahead!

Baron for Life!

Dr. Ric Stranges

### BVHS Hog Roast Reminder



The BVHS Hog Roast will be held tomorrow, Saturday, August 9th, at 11 am in the BVHS Stadium. This yearly family-friendly event will kick off the Fall Athletic season. Pork Sandwiches and hot dogs will be available for the community. Join us to celebrate our fall sports teams and watch an exciting Football scrimmage. The BV Athletic Boosters and the BV Athletic Department sponsor this event.

### Supply Lists for the 2025-2026 School Year Now Available

School supply lists for the 2025-26 academic year at Buckeye Valley Local Schools are now available on the District website. Please use the links below to view and download the appropriate list(s).



# 2025-2026

## SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

View and Download the lists Below

[Buckeye Valley East Elementary](#)

[Buckeye Valley West Elementary](#)

[Buckeye Valley Middle School](#)

### August 11th Open House Events

Opening of School Events for Families		
High School	Middle School	East and West Elementary
<u>Open House</u> August 12   5:00-6:00 pm	<u>Open House</u> August 11 A-M   6:15-7:00 pm N-Z   5:00-5:45 pm	<u>Grades PK-4 Open House</u> August 11, 2025 A-M   5:00-5:45 pm N-Z   6:15-7:00 pm
<u>Preschool Open House:</u> August 11 A-M   5:00-5:45 N-Z   6:15-7:00 pm		

### Final Forms & Transportation Reminder

If you have not already done so, we ask that all BVLS parents and students in Grades K-12 log in to FinalForms to complete and sign all required forms for the 2025-2026 school year. Remember, FinalForms saves data from season to season and year to year, so completion of these items will take less time than last year.

#### What information will I need to complete the forms for next year?

If any of the following information has changed, you will need to make updates in FinalForms. Please review basic medical history and health information, insurance company and policy number, doctor, dentist, and/or medical specialist contact information, hospital preference, and contact information. If you have moved, please upload a new proof of residency.

To get started, login to your Final Forms account [HERE](#).

If you have any questions, please contact Cassie Holewinski via email at: [cholewinski@mybvls.org](mailto:cholewinski@mybvls.org) or call the Central Office at 740-369-8735.

**Transportation Letters & Changes for 2025-2026 School Year**

District Transportation Letters with pickup and drop-off times were sent out this week. If the Transportation needs for your student have changed or need to be updated for the 2025-2026 school year, please contact Dodi Andrews at 740-369-8735, select Option 2 for the Transportation Coordinator, or email: [dandrews@mybvls.org](mailto:dandrews@mybvls.org) as soon as possible, so this can be updated before school starts.



Child Check Screenings Announced for 2025-2026



# 2025-2026 Child Check Screenings

A “child check” is a developmental screening for children aged 3 to 5. This screening provides information about current development of motor, language, concept, self-help, and social-emotional skills.

If you have concerns about your child’s development, you can schedule an appointment for one of the dates below. Please know this is a free screening.

## Dates of monthly screenings:

- August 18, 2025
- September 8, 2025
- October 6, 2025
- November 3, 2025
- December 1, 2025
- December 15, 2025
- January 12, 2026
- February 2, 2026
- March 2, 2026
- April 13, 2026
- May 4, 2026

For more information about these free screenings, please go to the Buckeye Valley Local Schools Student Services webpage at [mybvls.org](http://mybvls.org), or call one of the following:

Kiera Cieslik, School Psychologist (740) 747-2266  
LeAnna Ford, Director of Student Services (740) 363-1349



**Welcome Back, Barons!**