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THE BARONS BUZZ

A DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

OCTOBER 16, 2025

October: A Month to Honor Our School Principals

October is officially recognized as National Principal Appreciation Month! This dedicated opportunity shines a spotlight on the essential, complex, and often under-recognized role of school principals in driving educational excellence and fostering thriving school communities.

This national celebration is a collaborative effort sponsored by the American Federation of School Administrators (AFSA), the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP), and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). The recognition underscores a crucial truth: the quality of school leadership is second only to classroom instruction in its impact on student outcomes and school success.

Principals serve as instructional leaders, culture builders, and chief advocates for their students and staff. Their dedication, vision, and tireless work are what establish the atmosphere of excellence, integrity, and opportunity that benefits every learner.

At Buckeye Valley Local Schools, we are incredibly fortunate to have four outstanding leaders guiding our buildings and shaping the future of our students. They set the tone, support our teachers, and work hard to create safe, engaging, and successful learning environments for every Baron in our district. Their leadership is the foundation of our success, and we are profoundly grateful for everything they do.

We ask the entire BV community to join us in extending our deepest gratitude to these dedicated individuals for their extraordinary commitment to our students, staff, and community.



Buckeye Valley Local Schools Principals: Left to Right: Mrs. Leah Ann Childers (BV East), Mr. Zach Riggs (BVHS), Mr. Josh Martin (BV West), and Dr. Matt Gallatin (BVMS)

Emergency Food Drive Starts Monday, October 20th

Buckeye Valley Local Schools is conducting an emergency, two-day food drive to support the **M.A.S.H. Pantry and Resource Center (Military and Service Heroes)** in Delaware, Ohio.

The need is **immediate and critical**. The recent government shutdown has strained vital programs and caused an unprecedented increase in demand at the pantry, leaving shelves nearly bare. It is our turn to serve those who have served us.

WHEN TO DONATE:

Students can bring donations to school on:

Monday, October 20, and Tuesday, October 21

Please bring all non-perishable items to the designated drop-off location at your school.

Parents or community members can drop items off in neighborhood bridges collection bins (located in each BV school building) during school hours.

MOST URGENT NEEDS:

While any non-perishable food items are deeply appreciated, the M.A.S.H. Pantry has the greatest need for high-protein, shelf-stable, and easy-to-prepare items.

Examples of needs:

- **Protein Sources:** Canned chicken/hash/tuna, canned beans (black, kidney, garbanzo), and peanut butter.
- **Grains & Meals:** Pasta, canned pasta sauce, brown rice, or instant oatmeal/cereal.
- **Fruits & Vegetables:** Canned vegetables and fruit
- **Essentials:** Shelf-stable milk (powdered or boxed), cooking oil (small bottles), and crackers.
- **Toiletry Items:** In addition to food, items such as deodorant and toothpaste are always welcome!

THANK YOU, BARONS!

Your small donation will provide immediate relief and stability to a local veteran.

BV Emergency Food Drive

For M.A.S.H. Pantry and Resource Center (Military and Service Heroes)

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Students can bring donations to any BV School building for the drive on Monday, October 20th and Tuesday, October 21st.

October 20-21, Bring Donations to School

Serve Those Who Served

Most Urgent Needs:

- Canned Chicken/hash/tuna
- Canned beans
- Peanut Butter
- Pasta
- Canned Vegetables
- Crackers
- Toiletry Items

Annual Boo Bash and Haunted Forest Planned for October 25th

The Buckeye Valley FFA will host its annual Boo-Bash indoor trick-or-treat for elementary-aged students Saturday, October 25th, from 5-7 p.m. at Buckeye Valley High School. Many High School clubs and teams will have decorated stations with Halloween treats and activities. All elementary-aged students are invited to come for a safe and secure event free from any cold or rainy weather!

If a haunted trail is more to your liking, then be sure to come check out the Haunted Forest sponsored by the BVHS Student Council from 6 pm - 8 pm. The trail is located in the woods near the south side of the high school, across from the entrance to the music room. It is sure to be a frightening experience!

College, Careers & Coffee With The DACC

College, Careers & Coffee with the Delaware Area Career Center

Special Event for Families of 6th - 11th graders

Join representatives from the Delaware Area Career Center to find out how taking DACC courses in high school can help your child.

- Earn college credits and industry credentials
- Graduate with confidence and clarity
- Differentiate themselves on college applications and resumes

Join us for a Coffee Chat this fall!

RSVP by clicking the 2025 dates below. All sessions are 90 minutes.

Tuesday, Oct 14 10:30 a.m. Crawco Library	Thursday, Oct 16 6:30 p.m. DACC Campus	Tuesday, Oct 21 6:30 p.m. Virtual	Thursday, Oct 23 10:30 a.m. Virtual
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Your child's high school years can be customized to create a pathway toward their successful future.

Students apply as sophomores to most programs - awareness & planning are critical to get the most out of opportunities in high school. There are a few select programs for seniors as well.

DACC offers 22+ career and college prep programs including:

- Biotechnology
- Engineering Technician
- Digital Design
- Culinary Arts
- Exercise Science & Sports Medicine
- Cybersecurity
- Health Tech & Nursing
- Welding & Sheet Metal Fabrication
- Pharmacy Technician
- Wildlife & Resource Management
- Robotics, Automation & Design
- Early Childhood Education
- Columbus Zoo/School
- and more!



Parents of 6-11th graders: Thinking college and career?

Attend an upcoming coffee chat to learn more about the "super electives" your kids can take later in high school via the Delaware Area Career Center. Zoo school, biotechnology, engineering, pharmacy, nursing, cybersecurity, robotics, digital design, and more, including senior-only programs!

TWO virtual (on 10/21 pm & 10/23 pm) chats are planned. Translated captions or transcription are available during the LIVE webinars. RSVP and learn more here: <https://www.delawareareacc.org/o/dacchs/page/coffee-chats>

Veterans Assembly and Recognition Ceremony Planned at BVMS

Buckeye Valley Middle School is honored to invite you to our annual **Veterans Assembly and Recognition** ceremony on **Monday, November 10, 2025**.

We are profoundly excited to again welcome and honor our distinguished veterans. The outstanding turnout in previous years has created a meaningful and valuable educational experience for our students. We will once more feature the popular **"Take a Veteran to School"** program, commencing with a kick-off assembly in the Gymnasium that morning.

Your presence is deeply valued. To ensure adequate preparation for seating and refreshments, we kindly ask that you **RSVP** and indicate the following:

1. **Your intent to attend and the number of individuals in your party.**
2. **Your willingness to serve as an informal speaker** during the assembly and/or **speak to individual classrooms** following the main program. Your service stories are an invaluable asset to our students' education.

Please reply to Mrs. Tina (Francis) Curran, Teacher and Veteran, via phone or email.

Phone: 740-363-6626 X3113

Email: tcurran@mybvls.org

We look forward to the privilege of honoring your service.

Stay Connected This School Year



This Week's Building Level Newsletters

Be sure to stay connected with everything happening across Buckeye Valley! Below, you'll find links to each of our building-level newsletters—your go-to source for important updates, upcoming events, and highlights from around the district.

[BUCKEYE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL](#)
[BUCKEYE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL](#)
[EAST ELEMENTARY](#)
[WEST ELEMENTARY](#)



BVLS Parent Resources

Below, you'll find a collection of important links and resources—everything from calendars and lunch menus to parent portals. We encourage you to bookmark these pages and refer to them throughout the year to stay informed and connected.

[LUNCH MENUS](#)
[BARONS ATHLETICS](#)
[DISTRICT CALENDAR](#)
[POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL](#)
[LIFEWISE INFORMATION Fall 2025](#)

Community Corner

Be sure to check out the BV Community Corner throughout the school year! New opportunities for students and families are added regularly. You'll find a wide variety of information, including updates from local non-profits, flyers from our Athletic and Music Boosters, PTOs, and other arts and athletic events happening in and around our community. **Don't miss out—check it weekly for the latest updates!**

[BV COMMUNITY CORNER](#)

Do you have information or a flyer to add? Email Cassie Holewinski at holewinski@mybvls.org