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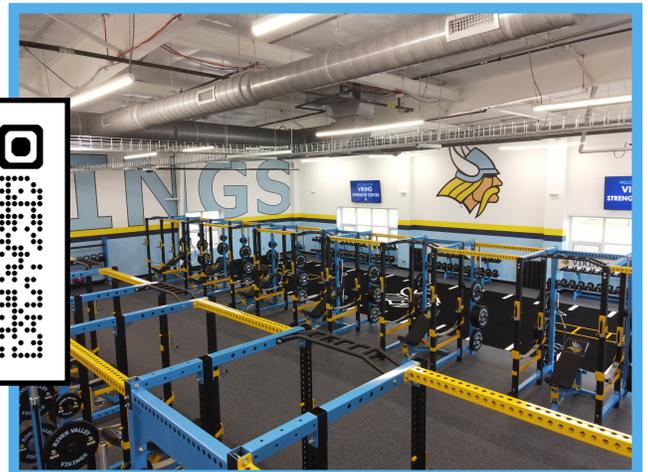
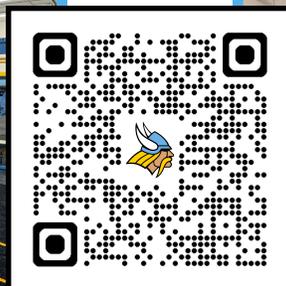
RVHS Opens CTE Expansion

In 2024, River Valley Local Schools received a \$2.5 million CTE equipment grant from the State of Ohio, providing funds to add and expand educational spaces for our career and technical education programs. Adding Career and Technical Education programs is a focus of the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, as Ohio continues to align K-12 experiences with the needs of Ohio's workforce. On Monday, November 10th, we had the official ribbon-cutting ceremony for our new space. RV staff were joined by leaders from Tri-Rivers Career Center, the Director of the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, Mr. Stephen Dackin, State Representative Riordan McClain, the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce, and many local government and business leaders for this momentous event.

This new and renovated 14,000 sq. ft. space will provide more flexibility for our current Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Bioscience, Agribusiness and Production Systems, and Construction Technologies programs, featuring larger labs and remodeled classrooms. The expansion also includes a new Health Science integrated lab/classroom that will house our Allied Health and Nursing program. This brings our total number of career and technical education pathways to seven, including the ones already mentioned, plus Performing Arts, Air Transportation, and Engineering and Design. Offering career and technical programs at River Valley provides our students with the opportunity to begin exploring careers as early as seventh grade, gaining job-ready skills earlier in their educational journey. Having these courses also provides a fantastic complement to the pathways available at Tri-Rivers Career Center, giving our students the option to enter Tri-Rivers beginning in their junior year with a foundation of skills so they can graduate with more skills and experience to take into their future career.

As part of the CTE Expansion project, the RV Board of Education also approved the construction of an Exercise Science/Weight Room area. Our district has been exploring options to modify and expand this space for many years. Adding this space to the new CTE wing, while the construction crew was already here, presented a significant savings compared to a future standalone project. The district covered the cost of the walls and roof, but the Athletic Boosters committed nearly \$350,000 to complete the space, including electrical, block walls, drywall, and paint, as well as purchasing new weight equipment, creating an outstanding space that is a tremendous value for our community.

We are excited to introduce this space as the new Viking Strength Center. The Athletic Boosters have made a significant financial commitment to ensure our students had access to this space as soon as possible. You can still contribute to help them pay off this purchase by using the QR code below.





RV Treasurer, Brittany Keller and Superintendent, Adam Wickham are joined by Director of the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce, Stephen Dackin.



Representative Riordan McClain presents a proclamation from the Ohio House of Representatives to Superintendent Adam Wickham



Over 100 local business leaders and government officials attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony on November 10.



RV students cut the ribbon, marking the grand opening of the new CTE wing at River Valley High School.



Attendees get an overview of the new Health Science classroom by RV Senior Chloe Valentine and instructor Heidi Reale.



RV Senior Jackson Kloha shares the features students will have access to in the new Viking Strength Center, outfitted by the River Valley Athletic Boosters.

RV: Celebrates America 250!

November Theme: Freedom is Not Free - Honoring Our Veterans and Military Service People

As we continue our yearlong "Celebrate America - 250!" theme, the month of November was focused on honoring our Veterans and Military Service People. Each building hosted a Veterans Day Celebration to honor our Veterans:

- Nov. 7th: River Valley High School
- Nov. 12th: River Valley Middle School
- Nov. 10th: Heritage Elementary School
- Nov. 10th: Liberty Elementary School

We are also pleased to announce that River Valley Schools received \$2,000 as part of the "America 250!" grant program from the Marion Community Foundation. These funds will be used towards RV's "Celebrate America" district-wide yearlong celebration of America's 250th Birthday! Each month, students will learn about unique aspects of our nation: from our founding documents to the importance of agriculture to the rich tradition of music and art that celebrate America.

A portion of this award will be used to provide each student with a t-shirt featuring the "RV Celebrate America" logo to celebrate our great nation's birthday and commemorate this once-in-a-lifetime event.



RV Celebrates America Monthly Themes

Month	Theme
Dec. 2025	We the People: Exploring America's Heritage and Cultures
Jan. 2026	America's First & Originals: Innovation & Invention
Feb. 2026	America Works: Exploring Jobs & Careers
Mar. 2026	America - Fun, Music, and Art: The music, art, and games that define and celebrate America
Apr. 2026	How America Moves: A focus on transportation
May 2026	America: The Great Outdoors: Explore the nation and prepare for July 4, 2026 - America's 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776



OpenGate Detectors

On Thursday, October 9, 2025, the River Valley Board of Education approved a plan to implement the use of CEIA OpenGate Detectors in our schools by the end of the 2025-26 school year.

These OpenGate Detectors are the same devices used for entry into many stadiums and amusement parks, including Cedar Point, the Ohio State Fair, and Great American Ballpark in Cincinnati. They are designed to handle large numbers of people in a short period of time and are used in numerous schools in Ohio. For more information, please visit: k12.ceia-usa.com/opengate.

Incorporating these devices into our schools will provide an additional layer of safety for our students and staff and is intended to reduce the potential for a firearm or weapon to be brought into our schools. The cost for these detectors is projected to be covered by Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid (DPIA) funds, using **no local taxpayer dollars**.

This step is being taken with the focus on doing all we can to ensure our students and staff have safe schools and, most importantly, that our staff and students can go home to their families every day.



RV for the Future Fund

For the 2025-26 School Year, River Valley focused on the theme of "HOME" and investing in the future of our community, specifically our young people. The RV staff was challenged to donate to a fund called "River Valley (RV) for the Future." This fund was established in conjunction with the Marion Community Foundation (MCF) to give back to River Valley students.

The RV Staff answered the call on this challenge and committed over \$10,000 to this fund! The "RV for the Future" fund will focus on providing funds to select students, and potentially alumni, in the following three areas:

1. College Scholarships: Awards will be given to selected applicants pursuing higher education. This would be open to seniors and potentially alumni.
2. Workforce Grants: Students directly entering the workforce after graduation can apply for funds to help with uniforms, tools/equipment, or additional schooling at a trade school.
3. Young Entrepreneurs: Finally, a portion of the "RV for the Future" fund will be available for students in grades K-12 to apply for entrepreneurial start-ups that foster and promote creative small business ideas among our young people.

Stay tuned for future editions of Voice of the Valley as we update you on the individuals who receive these awards. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to the Marion Community Foundation for the "River Valley for the Future Fund," use your cell phone's camera with the QR Code to the right or contact the Marion Community Foundation at 740-387-9704. All donations and tax-deductions are managed by the Marion Community Foundation.



Liberty Elementary

Viking Pride Assembly

Liberty Elementary hosted its first school assembly of the year, bringing students and staff together to celebrate achievement and Viking pride. During the assembly, we recognized our Students of the Month, honored the winners of the Viking Thor coloring contest, and introduced our Liberty Leaders. It was a wonderful way to highlight student accomplishments, build community spirit, and set a positive tone for the exciting year ahead!



Viking Volunteers Lend a Helping Hand

Our Fourth and Fifth Grade Viking Volunteers play an important role in keeping Liberty Elementary running smoothly each day. These dedicated students take on a variety of helpful tasks—reading with younger students, picking up trash around the building, caring for Tucker the turtle, and delivering materials from the office. Through their service, Viking Volunteers learn valuable lessons in responsibility, dependability, and teamwork while making a positive difference in our school community.

4TH GRADE VIKING VOLUNTEERS

Berg, Isobella
Bier, Rory
Bradshaw, Lee
Bush, Clara
Compton, Ellie
Fagala, Ella
Fuller, Lilly
Hicks, Hunter
Kinsley, Camden
Loper, Harley
Mantey, Foster

Nash, Lilly
Peck, Gwen
Rose, Isabella
Shoaf, Temperance
Snyder, Bella
Troiano, Paislee
Tupps, Brayden
Wetzel, Regan
Williams, Logan

VIKING VOLUNTEERS



5TH GRADE

Amnathophonthip,
Aubrie
Call, Braxton
Campbell, Melanie
Cantrell, Caiden
Farmer, Westin
Gaither, Melanie
Hatfield, Neriah
Hines, Ella
Huffman, Abby
Isabella, Septer
Kenzleigh, Smith
Leal, Lily
Levings, Trevor

Litteral, Skarrlette
Logan, Starace
Mantey, Riley
Moran, Abigail
Mullins, Liam
Ross, Emmalyn
Sanchez-Cortez
Strzelecki, Caroline
Wagner, Alice
Weller, Parker
White, Josie

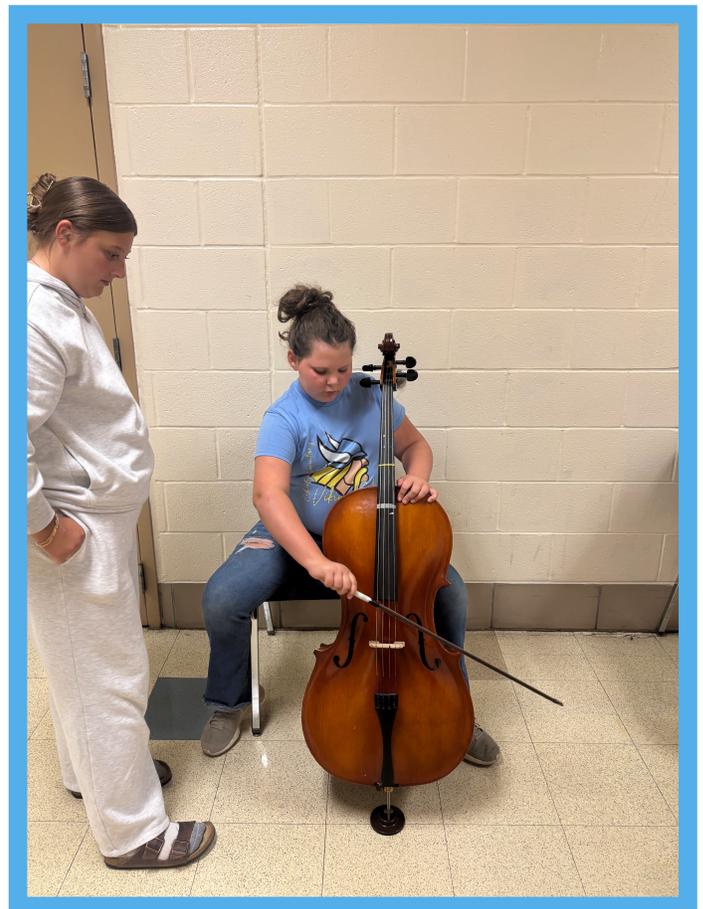
Developing Leadership Through the Liberty Leaders Program

The Liberty Leaders are a dedicated group of fifth-grade students who applied to serve as role models throughout our school. These students demonstrate leadership, responsibility, and school pride in all they do. Each month, Liberty Leaders take the stage at our assemblies to teach their peers about the positive character traits highlighted in our Student of the Month program. In addition, they participate in special school events and activities, representing Liberty Elementary with enthusiasm and integrity. Through their work, Liberty Leaders inspire others and help foster a culture of respect and leadership across our school community.



String Night

At the beginning of the month, our students had the exciting opportunity to explore a variety of orchestra instruments and discover which ones inspired them most. Thanks to the wonderful planning of our music staff, the event was both educational and fun! We also appreciate the support of our families as students embark on this new musical adventure. We can't wait to hear the beautiful melodies our future Liberty orchestra will create!



Heritage Elementary

Homecoming Week

Heritage Elementary celebrated Homecoming as a Spirit Week. Students dressed in the themes and helped our high school friends cheer the team on to victory! We were greeted at lunch and recess by our River Valley Senior Athletes, who came to offer words of encouragement and spend a few minutes providing positive interactions and some fun! Our Kindergarten crew joined together with the Seniors as a part of the Pass the Torch tradition.

Kindergarten Safety City

Our Kindergarten classes had their annual visit to Marion's Safety City. The students went through the program to learn valuable information about fire safety, calling 9-1-1 in emergencies, and the proper use of hand signals and crossing roads. Graduation Day brought smiles, meaningful conversations, and a demonstration of the skills and knowledge being taught.



2nd Grade Nature Day

The Second Grade crew had a busy day full of guests and insightful experiences. They began the day with a few members of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources coming to talk. Mr. Brown, our Career Tech Construction teacher at the high school, brought over a group of high school students to build birdhouses with our friends, too.



5th Grade RV Farm

As a right of passage, our fifth-grade students will one day leave our nest to join together with Liberty students in their next chapter at our middle school. This year, we are looking to expand opportunities for our students to get together before next year and strengthen their bond as Vikings. The fifth-grade students spent the morning at our RV Farm engaging in team-building exercises, learning about our farm and the resources it provides to our school, and participating in some games. The students enjoyed a cookout together before heading back to their respective schools. It was a beautiful day filled with laughter and friendship!

How Ohio Funds Schools and Why Property Taxes Matter

The State of Ohio currently has a great deal of discussion about property taxes, especially how they relate to school funding. We thought it was important to write this article to help our community understand how Ohio funds schools and why property taxes matter. Ohio's constitution requires a state-local partnership to fund schools, with part of school funding coming from the state budget and a portion coming from local tax dollars. Funding from local communities comes mostly from property taxes and, in some communities, income taxes. The goal of this partnership is to ensure that all students have access to a high-quality education, regardless of their zip code.

The state share is based on the actual cost of educating students in our school district, including classroom instruction, building administration, instructional support, and district administration. The state's share of the cost to educate is calculated based on a district's property wealth and income. It looks at:

- Local wealth (property tax values and resident incomes)
- Number of students
- Specific student needs

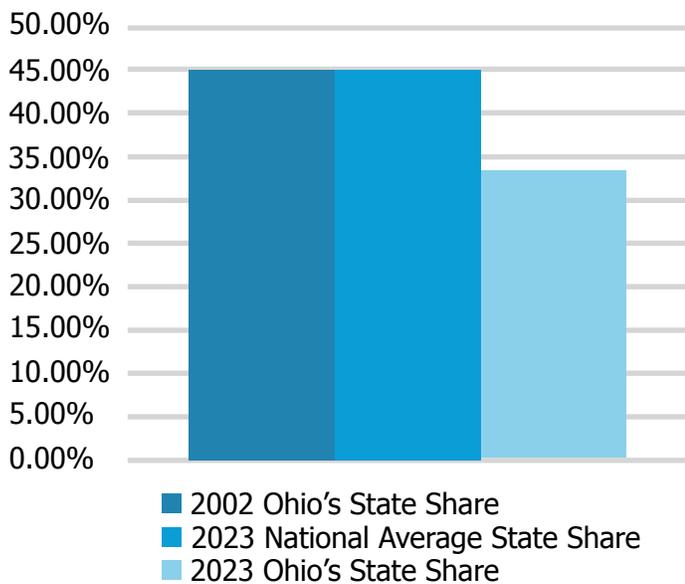
The state's share of funding has now decreased to a historic low. Recently, the state has elected to not update all components of the funding formula. With this change, the state is recognizing the growth in capacity, or what they consider the ability for local property owners to be able to afford to support its schools, property values, and income, but not the actual cost to educate students, which is why local communities are noticing a shift in the financial burden. When the state share declines, communities must raise more locally to make up the difference and cover the costs associated with educating students. For most school districts, including River Valley, a funding reduction would result in fewer services and programs available to our students and the community.



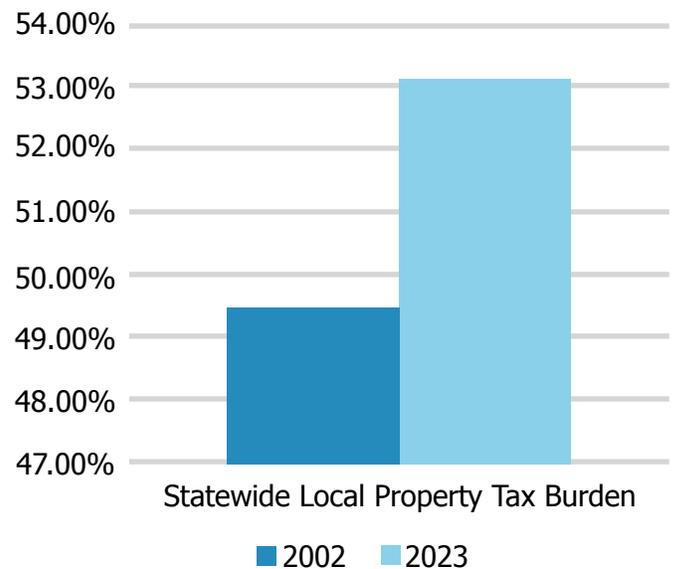
Brittany Keller

RV Schools Treasurer

State Share of Education Funding



Local Property Tax Burden (Ohio)



In 2002, Ohio ranked 35th nationally in state funding for K-12 education. By 2023, we had plummeted to 45th, among the worst in the nation. The first graph below shows how Ohio's State Share in 2023 compares to what it was in 2002, as well as the 2023 National Average State Share. The second graph below shows the increase in the statewide local property tax burden in 2023 compared to 2002 due to the decrease in funding provided by the State.

Continued; How Ohio Funds Schools and Why Property Taxes Matter

The local share is the portion of school funding that comes from taxes approved by voters in each community. The amount each district must raise locally depends on:

- The district's state share percentage (which is at a historic low)
- The district's student enrollment
- The district's costs of educational services and programming

Due to the continually declining rate of Ohio's State Share, without local revenue, students would lose opportunities, making property tax and income tax revenue critical to the financial well-being of school districts in Ohio, like River Valley. The state's share of the funding formula at River Valley is 42.85%. River Valley local taxpayers provide approximately 46% of total operating revenue between property taxes and our 1% Earned Income Tax. River Valley currently has no voter-approved operating levies, as we allowed our Emergency Levy to expire when we had the Bond and Permanent Improvement combination levy and Earned Income Tax Renewal on the ballot in November 2023. The Bond and Permanent Improvement levies that passed in November 2023 do not support day-to-day operations, but the 1% Earned Income Tax does.

The state's share of K-12 funding has declined for decades, with more costs being pushed onto local taxpayers. The impact of this is that schools have been forced to rely on frequent levies just to maintain programming. Homeowners statewide now carry 67.5% of all school property taxes (46% in 1991), whereas the business share has dropped, shifting this load to families. This means that families are forced to pay more, but schools don't necessarily see a change in total funding.

For over 40 years, Ohio has steadily reduced the revenue it shares with local governments. In fact, Ohio ranks below the national average in K-12 per-pupil state funding. What began as a series of well-intended tax reforms has compounded over time, reducing business taxes, cutting income taxes, eliminating the estate tax, and phasing out state reimbursements. At the same time, schools have seen their costs rise and their local options constrained by law.

Reform matters for the sake of our families, especially seniors and veterans. However, schools still need stable funding to serve students. Repealing property taxes would cause chaos; reform provides balance. For reform to work, we need to have some guiding principles:

- Fairness: relief tied to income, protect seniors/veterans
- Stability: keep schools funded so students aren't disrupted
- Flexibility: give local districts better tools
- Balance: protect taxpayers and preserve opportunities for kids

Schools depend on property taxes for essentials- teachers, buses, classrooms. High tax bills don't mean schools are overspending; they instead reflect the fact that the burden has been shifted away from the state and onto our local communities. We need reform to protect taxpayers while ensuring that every child in our district has excellent teachers, safe schools, and programs that prepare them for success.

We are very fortunate that our community has continued to support our school system at River Valley. We appreciate your commitment to doing your part, ensuring that the students in our schools have the best opportunities to prepare them to be valuable members of our world. The path forward requires all of us, residents, educators, and elected officials, working together to demand that Ohio provide adequate state funding for education while pursuing meaningful property tax relief. Other states have found this balance - Ohio can, too. - Brittany Keller, Treasurer



See Upcoming Events at:
rvk12.org/calendar



Pass the Torch

Our Pass the Torch event was such a special moment! Seniors from the Class of 2026 and our kindergarteners from the Class of 2038 came together in a meaningful ceremony that highlighted the traditions and pride of being a Viking. Each student received a keepsake keychain to remember the occasion, and the evening was filled with smiles, excitement, and a true sense of community.



5th Grade RV Farm

Our 5th graders from both schools came together for a special day of learning and fun at the RV Farm. Students enjoyed hands-on activities, explored agriculture in action, and built connections with one another while experiencing all the farm has to offer. It was a great way to learn, grow, and celebrate our community together!



3rd Grade Field Trip

Our 3rd graders had an exciting field trip where the high school FFA students set up fun, hands-on stations for them to explore. From learning about animals and agriculture to trying out engaging activities, the students had a wonderful time discovering new things. It was a great experience that brought our older and younger Vikings together, showing the power of learning, leadership, and community.



1st Grade Fire Safety with First Consolidated

Our 1st graders had a fantastic time learning about fire safety with the First Consolidated Fire Department. They went through the fire safety house, practiced "Stop, Drop, and Roll," saw the fire truck up close, and learned all about the firefighter's uniform and tools. A big thank you to our local firefighters for teaching our students how to stay safe and for making learning so much fun! 🚒🔥👨‍🚒



River Valley Middle School

River Valley Middle School has had a dynamic start to the year, with both students and staff fully engaged in a wide array of learning experiences and activities. From exploring word stems to understanding plant stems, RVMS has truly been a hub of discovery and growth. Let's take a closer look at some of the highlights from this past quarter.

In Mr. Albert's Ag classes, students have been actively involved in the RV Farm's hoop houses, learning about plants and agriculture firsthand. They successfully planted, cultivated, and harvested their crops, culminating in a delicious salad that showcased the rewards of their hard work.

Beyond agriculture, other discovery classes have seen students delve into various exciting projects, including acting as medical detectives, exploring aerodynamics, creating digital art, mastering email etiquette, and focusing on personal and physical well-being.

Core subject areas have also been bustling with activity. Math classes have embraced Building Thinking Classroom activities and other hands-on projects, fostering a deeper engagement with mathematical concepts. English-Language Arts classes have been dedicated to enhancing reading and writing skills, with students observed working on root stems to aid word comprehension, reading novels, and engaging in discussions about different points of view. A strong emphasis has also been placed on developing crucial writing skills.

This year, Social Studies teachers have placed a special focus on RV celebrating America and the 250th anniversary of the nation's birth. Each month, RVMS honors a unique theme connected to the formation of our country. Science classes continue to emphasize the scientific process and problem-solving, providing students with numerous hands-on experiences that allow them to apply their learning in practical ways.

Beyond academics, RVMS has launched several noteworthy initiatives. Students and teachers participated in "Start with Hello" week, a Sandy Hook Promise program that fostered a sense of belonging through daily-themed activities. The school also celebrated a spirited homecoming week and hosted a Kindness and Culture Club night at a football game. Recently, RVMS introduced a peer-to-peer tutoring program, which has shown promising early results. We also enjoyed the motivational speaking of former Ohio State Buckeye and NFL receiver Roy Hall Jr. Mr. Hall spoke with our students about the importance of never giving up, pushing through struggles, and knowing without a doubt that YOU MATTER.

Out-of-school activities have also seen success this year. The football, cross country, and volleyball teams all had strong seasons, with the volleyball team clinching the tournament championship by defeating previously undefeated Shelby in the final game! The middle school band members showcased their talents by joining the high school band on the field for a halftime performance at a varsity football game. Additionally, the choir, band, and orchestra have all delivered excellent performances to kick off the academic year.



River Valley High School

We have had a tremendous start to the school year at River Valley High School. Our focus coming into the year is always to create a safe and organized environment that allows our students to bring their best each and every day. Our staff has done a great job in helping make this happen.

First, fall sports have come and gone, and along the way, we have had numerous successes that are exciting to share with the community.

The tennis team and cross country teams both finished seasons with successful campaigns that saw a lot of student-athletes gain valuable experience for their future, both as students and into their years beyond high school. Cross country, specifically, had their best finish to the season in quite some time, with athletes doing well at both MOAC and District Championship meets. Our entire varsity girls cross country team qualified for regionals, and we also had two male individual runners qualify.

The volleyball team had a successful season that ended with a tournament win over Eastmoor Academy and a close loss to Highland. Boys and girls soccer finished up their seasons playing well. The girls won a tournament game against Grove City Christian before their season ended at Columbus Academy, while the boys lost a tough game at Columbus International.

Finally, the football season ended with a game at Ontario, wrapping up our fall campaign. Both the band and cheer programs were involved all season, and, all in all, the students involved enjoyed their experience throughout another season of Vikings Football.

RVHS has significantly benefited from the completion of the new CTE (Career Technical Education) wing. This space allows students to pursue further education in Agriculture Education, Construction and Trades, Healthcare, and, eventually, Exercise Science. Our staff has done a great job of organizing and making the space usable, and will continue to develop it throughout the remainder of the school year. Go Vikes! - Travis Stout, RVHS Principal

River Valley Schools

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Liberty Elementary School 740-725-5600

Zach Burns, Principal

See our calendar of events at:
www.rvk12.org



Seat belts have now been installed on almost all of our buses, and students have been doing a great job buckling in!

As the weather changes and students begin wearing heavier coats, please remind your child that the seat belt shoulder strap can be adjusted for comfort and proper fit. The adjustment is located on the right side of the shoulder strap and can be moved up or down.

A new fence is being installed around all buses and fuel tanks at the bus garage. This project is part of our continued efforts to enhance safety for both our buses and the garage area.

Bus Safety Week was held October 20–24. During this time, the Ohio State Highway Patrol followed several of our buses to ensure safety and monitor for red light violations. A red light violation occurs when a vehicle passes a bus that has its red flashing lights activated and stop sign extended. Unfortunately, we have seen an increase in these violations recently. Please remember to slow down when you see a bus's **yellow** warning lights and come to a complete stop when the **red** lights are flashing. Red lights mean a student is either crossing the road or getting on or off the bus.



2025 Homecoming Queen - Megan Thompson



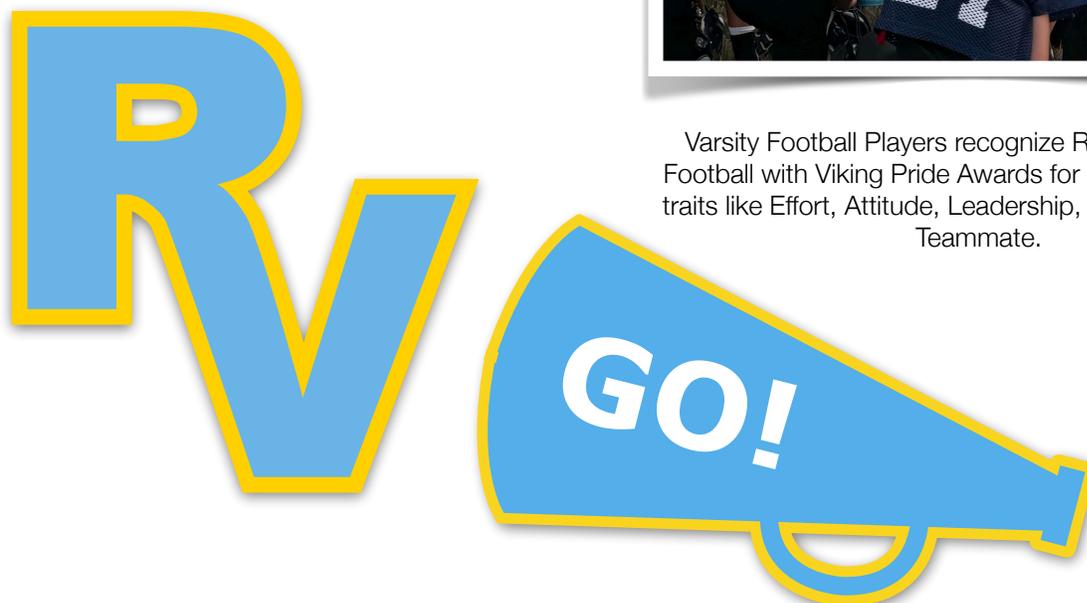
2025 Homecoming Court-Pictured left to right, Freshman- Sophie Campbell, Sophomore-Harper Rogers, 2025 Senior and Queen Megan Thompson, Junior Attendant- Kiley Facione. (Not Pictured-Senior Attendants, Ava Roseberry and Kelsey Fowler.



Passing the crown-2024 Queen - Gabrielle Garrett



Varsity Football Players recognize River Valley Youth Football with Viking Pride Awards for displaying positive traits like Effort, Attitude, Leadership, and being a Good Teammate.



Introducing Autumn Simpson

My name is Autumn Simpson, and I'm excited to formally introduce myself as the district's Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). While I spent time in River Valley last year a few days a week, I'm thrilled to now be part of the River Valley family full time this year.

Before becoming a BCBA, I served as a Behavior Intervention Specialist. I am now entering my second year in this role, and I am passionate about supporting students, staff, and families to create a positive and inclusive learning environment for all.

In my role as BCBA, I support the district in a variety of ways. This includes working directly with students, collaborating with teachers and staff, and developing interventions and strategies that benefit all learners. You may see me in any school building or classroom throughout the district. At times, I may be in your child's classroom to assist with an individual student, support the whole class, or provide coaching to staff. If I am ever working directly with your child on a specific plan or intervention, I will always communicate with you beforehand.

On a more personal note, I live in Tiffin, Ohio with my two dogs, Buckeye and Scarlet, and a lively flock of twelve chickens. I love being outdoors—whether it's hiking, gardening, biking, or simply reading with a sourdough loaf rising in the kitchen.

Please know that I am here to listen, support, and partner with you in any way I can. If you ever have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to me directly at asimpson@rvk12.org. Looking forward to a great school year together! - Autumn Simpson, M.Ed., Board Certified Behavior Analyst



Autumn Simpson, M.Ed.
Board Certified Behavior
Analyst (BCBA)

Dream It, Talk It, Do It!

It's never too early to start talking with your child about their future interests and possible careers. These conversations help children explore what they enjoy, what they're good at, and how those strengths can lead to future opportunities. Even simple talks can spark curiosity and motivation.

At River Valley, even at a young age, we like to nudge students toward paths that match what they enjoy and do well. Along the way, we talk about what employers look for—like teamwork, communication, and responsibility. Some classrooms even celebrate these skills with "Employee of the Month" awards, recognizing students who shine in areas such as timeliness, collaboration, and positive attitude.

As a parent, you don't need to have all the answers—you just need to be open and supportive. Here are a few ways to start the conversation with your child:

- Ask about what they enjoy. Talk about their favorite subjects, hobbies, or activities, and discuss how those could connect to future jobs.
- Share your own experiences. Tell stories about your career path, what you've learned, and how you made choices along the way.
- Explore together. Watch videos, read articles, or visit local businesses to learn about different careers.
- Encourage curiosity. Remind them that it's okay not to know what they want to do yet—what matters is being willing to learn and explore new things.
- Connect school to the future. Help them see how what they're learning now can be useful later in life.

The goal is to keep the conversation positive, supportive, and ongoing. By starting early, you're helping your child build confidence and a sense of direction for their future.



Don Gliebe
Director of Instruction and
Assessment



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“It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it.”

– Aristotle