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THE BARONS BUZZ

A DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

FEBRUARY 6, 2026

Winter Weather Update: What You Need to Know

We are so happy to be back in school this week and settling into a more regular routine with our students. However, as it is only the beginning of February, we know there is still plenty of winter and unpredictable weather ahead of us.

Since Buckeye Valley serves students across a wide area of Delaware County, weather conditions can vary significantly from one neighborhood to another. What families are experiencing in the northern part of our district may look very different from conditions in the south. As a result, there may be times when our delay or closure decisions come as a surprise based on what you see outside your own window. We want to clarify how these decisions are made so our families can feel prepared.

How Calamity Days are Calculated

Ohio school districts are required to meet minimum instructional hour requirements each year, which include 910 hours for students in full-day kindergarten through grade 6, and 1,001 hours for students in grades 7–12. While the State establishes these minimums, our Board of Education adopts a calendar that exceeds these requirements to reflect the high academic expectations of our community. At this time, no make-up days are needed for grades K-12.

Why We Close or Delay

Decisions to delay or close school are made with great care and safety as the top priority. We may close or delay for several reasons, including:

- Hazardous weather and road conditions
- Inoperability of school buses or essential equipment

- Building damage or safety emergencies

Thank you for your continued patience, partnership, and support as we navigate this winter season together to provide a safe learning environment for every student.

Ric Stranges, Superintendent
Buckeye Valley Local Schools

Open Enrollment Window for the 2026-2027 School Year

Buckeye Valley Local Schools offers open enrollment to families who do not reside within the district boundaries. It is offered one time a year, and based on space and availability, families must apply every year. The Open Enrollment Window for the 2026-27 school year will open **on February 12, 2026**, and will close at 5 pm on March 6, 2026. Open Enrollment will be completed through Final Forms [HERE](#). The online application, as well as all required documentation (Proof of Residency), needs to be uploaded, signed, and completed by the deadline. Applications that are incomplete or received outside of this enrollment window will not be accepted.

Families will be contacted in April to let you know if your child(ren) has been accepted for open enrollment at BVLS. Please contact Mary Barr at 740-369-8735 if you have any questions.

BVMS Outdoor Career & Community Day Announced

Buckeye Valley Middle School is excited to announce our Outdoor Career and Community Day! We are looking for local businesses, trades, and community partners to help our students explore the diverse career opportunities available right here in our backyard. Think of this event as a mix between a professional career fair and a "Touch-a-Truck" experience. We want our students to have hands-on, informative interactions with the people and equipment that keep our community moving.

Event Details

- When: Friday, May 1, 2026 (Rain Date: Monday, May 4)
- Time: 10:00 AM – 12:45 PM
- Where: Outdoors on Buckeye Valley Middle School property
- Who: All local businesses and career paths are welcome!

How You Can Help

We are looking for partners to host career booths or bring company vehicles to give students a tangible look at your profession. Whether you are in the trades, healthcare, technology, public service, or local entrepreneurship, your story is valuable to our students and staff!

Ready to Sign Up?

If you or your company would like to participate and inspire the next generation of Barons, please reach out to:
Mrs. Tina Curran (Francis), Career and Technical Education Teacher by phone at 740-363-6626 ext. 3113 or
Email: tcurran@mybvls.org

Help us make this a memorable day of learning and community connection!

Dive Into Summer! BV Summer Enrichment Registration is Now Open

Registration for Buckeye Valley Summer Enrichment (BVSE) 2026 is officially underway! We invite you to explore our [BVSE 2026 Course Catalog](#) to see this year's exciting offerings and secure a spot for your child before the February 27 deadline. Please [complete the registration form HERE](#) by February 27.



Register Now!

Buckeye Valley

Summer Enrichment

June 8- June 11, 2026

An exciting week of experiential learning!

REGISTER HERE or
scan the QR code!

Kindergarten Information Night

We are thrilled to begin welcoming our newest Barons to the Buckeye Valley family! Kindergarten Information Night is February 11, 2026. Kindergarten registration for the 2026-2027 school year will open on **Thursday, February 12, 2026**. Students who turn 5 by the first day of school in August of 2026 are eligible to enroll.

Welcome
**Class of
2039**



February 11th 6:00 p.m.
Parent Information Nights
for Incoming Kindergarten Students

Students are eligible for kindergarten if they turn 5 on or before the first day of school.

Our agenda will include the following information:

- Registration and Enrollment Details
- Screening dates and times
- Kindergarten Readiness
- Teacher Information
- Learning expectations for kindergarten
- Signing up for transportation
- Food service (breakfasts and lunches)
- Volunteer opportunities

Please attend the meeting at the school serving your area of residence.
If you are unsure, please contact us to find your school.

BV East

522 East High Street
Ashley, Ohio 43003
740-747-2266

Enrollment

740-369-8735

BV West

4340 OH-257 South
Ostrander, Ohio 43061
740-666-2731

Join Neighborhood Bridges-Everyday Essentials Drive

Our Buckeye Valley community has always shown up for one another, and right now our local food pantry needs our help. Through the BV Food Pantry Everyday Essentials Drive, we're working together to restock pantry shelves so students and families have access to the everyday items they rely on. Learn more and subscribe to Neighborhood Bridges [HERE](#).

Buckeye Valley Local Schools
Neighborhood Bridges

Help Pack The Pantry!



Help Us Pack the Pantry- Everyday Essentials Drive

Your contributions make a **big difference** in the lives of families in the Buckeye Valley Community. Support this drive starting **February 6th**.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Jenn Necker, Marjorie Harrel & Deb Booher via email at buckeyevalley@neighborhoodbridges.org



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Save the Date! Pancake Day is March 7, 2026



BVAB Presents

The 51st Annual PANCAKE

Day

BV HIGH SCHOOL
Community Corner & Summer Baseball/Softball Sign-Ups
901 Coover Road, Delaware, OH 43015

SAT, MARCH 7TH, 2026

LUNCH MENUS
BARONS ATHLETICS
DIGITAL CALENDAR
POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL
LIFEWISE INFORMATION Fall 2025

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](#)

[DIGITAL CALENDAR](#)

[POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL](#)

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Be sure to check out the **BV Community Corner** throughout the school year! New opportunities for students and families are added regularly, and right now is the perfect time to visit, as **summer baseball and softball sign-ups are beginning**. In the Community Corner, you will find links to all of our local Youth Associations, making it easy to find registration information for your student-athlete.

Stay Connected This School Year

In addition to sports, 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 cholewinski@mybvls.org