

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fall 2025



Culture of Excellence

GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY



Elementary students starting the year off on a positive note.



Students and staff are excited about the pep rally leading up to Homecoming weekend in October.



Nevaeh, a junior, designed and delivered a monthly flower arrangement (Stockbridge Valley Blooms, part of the Horticulture class with Teacher Mrs. Smith).

NYS FFA Reporter Dylan LaFave, (Stockbridge Valley FFA) is featured in The New York State School Board Association monthly newspaper, On Board.



Jade, a junior is one of the first students to donate to Soctober, helping people in need.



Cougar fan at the under the lights soccer game!



Four seniors: Rebekah Cullen, Abigail Jantzi, Elizabeth Shaver and Nathanyel Lumbrazo are nationally recognized by College Board for academic performance!

OUR MISSION

Culture of Excellence: Empower ALL students through exemplary educational experiences to safely learn and grow.

OUR VISION

SVCS is student-centered, where ALL children, staff and the community are valued, acknowledged and actively involved.

7-12 PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Stockbridge Valley Parents and Community,

As we continue to move forward with this academic year, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for your ongoing support and dedication to our school. Our students' growth and success reflect the strong partnership between our school, families, and community. This year, we continue fostering a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment where every student can thrive academically and personally.

We are excited about upcoming events here at the school. Our Drama Club Musical "Shrek" on November 7 and 8, PTSO Bazaar on November 22, and many athletic contests as well.



I encourage all community members to stay involved, volunteer, and participate in our school activities. Together, we can empower our students to reach their full potential and build a brighter future for everyone.

In the next few months, things will tend to get busy. Let's work together to promote wellness and kindness within our community. Your well-being matters, and when we take care of ourselves, we enhance the strength of our entire school family. Stay safe, stay healthy, and take time for YOU.

Warm regards,

Dan Tucker
7-12 Principal

SVCS WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBERS



Kati-Jo Blackman
Teacher Assistant



Dave Commins
Bus Driver



Hailey Denison
Teacher Aide/
Bus Attendant/
Food Service Helper



Samantha Gaudin
Teacher Assistant



Hannah Gottlieb
Guidance Counselor



Carolanne Hopkins
Pre K Teacher Aide



Rachel Peck
Special Education Teacher



Erik Russell
5th Grade Teacher



Paul Thompson
Bus Driver



Christopher Wiehl
School Psychologist/CSE Chairperson

PRESENTED BY THE STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY DRAMA CLUB

SHREK The MUSICAL



BOOK AND LYRICS BY DAVID LINDSAY ABAIRE
MUSIC BY JEANINE TESORI

NOVEMBER 7TH & 8TH, 2025

7:00 P.M.

IN THE CHARLES E. STRATTON AUDITORIUM

PRE SALE TICKETS: \$10

NIGHT OF THE SHOW: \$12

FLOWERS



TICKETS



JUNIOR CLASS

Throughout the year, our FFA chapter participates in multiple fundraisers, which help the members work on their public speaking, professionalism, and involvement in the community. The chapter fundraisers are the Fall Harvest sales, where members sell apples and mums in September. The Winter Fundraiser, where we sell a variety of citrus, meat and cheese, poinsettias, and cookie dough. Our maple products, including syrup and maple confections, are available year-round in the Business Office and at community events like the PTSO Bazaar. We also hold our Annual Pancake Breakfast in January, with all proceeds going to the Carl Widger Scholarship and the Widger Scholarship that is given to students who are attending the different National conferences, such as the Washington Leadership Conference and the National FFA Convention.

The Horticulture class started a new venture last year



called Stockbridge Valley Blooms. Students enrolled in the horticulture class learn how to create floral arrangements that are sold to staff members throughout the year. In the spring, the horticulture class will also grow bedding plants and vegetables in the greenhouse and sell them during our annual Plant Sale. These fundraisers that are done throughout the year are used to financially support members to attend FFA trips such as Winter Weekend, Summer Camp at Camp Oswegatchie, COLT Conference, and NYS FFA and National Conventions. The students who are active members of the FFA are always looking forward to fundraising and being able to interact with their local community members. We would like to thank everyone who has purchased items through our fundraisers. We appreciate your support.

Submitted by,
Olivia Waldron



MATH MINDS AT WORK



Front row: 8th graders Natalie Shaw, Olivia Greene, Lily Relyea, Co-Advisor, Elise Spinelli, 8th grader, Emma Mish, and Junior, Jade Nystrom. Back row: Senior, Nathanyel Lumbrazo, Freshman, Devynn Bingel, Sophomore, Anna Baker, and Co-Advisor, Connie Rasmussen.

The SVCS Mathletics Club competed in Oriskany on Saturday, September 27. Eight dedicated members attended and worked hard, earning an impressive **3rd place in Division B**. Great job, Mathletes!

During the competition, the five-member team tackled 10 challenging individual questions worth up to 50 team points. They then raced through four relays to earn an additional 20 points, and finished strong with the team question, worth 30 points.

Congratulations to the team for their effort, teamwork, and strong performance!

Congratulations to our newly elected officers for this year:

President: Lily Relyea
Vice-President: Emma Mish
Treasurer: Devynn Bingel
Secretary: Avery Ellerbruch

LEARNING ABOUT PORTRAITURE IN DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Mrs. Maguire's Digital Photography class learned about American portrait photographer Annie Leibovitz. Leibovitz is known for her intimate and engaging celebrity portraits. Her career began in the 1970s as the chief photographer for *Rolling Stone*, where she documented the cultural and social upheavals of the time. Her work photographing John Lennon and the Rolling Stones during their 1975 tour solidified her reputation as a prominent celebrity photographer. Annie remains an active and highly influential photographer today.

Students were tasked with photographing three different people and capturing each subject's essence within the frame. They also considered composition while editing their images in Adobe Photoshop. Here are some examples of the students' work.



By Addisyn Mendez-Martin



By Gabby Davis



By Jayden Croniser



By Nevaeh Bingel

K-6 PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear SVCS Elementary Families,

It's hard to believe we are already well into October! The first few weeks of school have flown by, and I'm thrilled to report that the school year is off to a fantastic start. Our classrooms are full of energy, enthusiasm, and a strong sense of purpose.

New Math Program: Eureka Squared

One exciting initiative this year is the rollout of our updated math curriculum, Eureka Squared. This program is designed to deepen students' understanding of math concepts through hands-on, rigorous and real-world learning experiences. Over the summer and into the fall, our staff have received targeted professional development on Eureka Squared, including a recent session focused on strong math instructional practices led by MOBOCES staff developer, Jody Popple. (photo at right).

We are confident this new program will help us continue to provide high-quality math instruction that meets the needs of all learners. Be sure to ask your child what they're learning in math—we think you'll be impressed!

Fire Safety Education

This month, we were also thrilled to welcome the Munnsville Fire Department for our annual Fire Safety presentations. Firefighters visited with each grade level to provide important lessons about fire prevention and safety.

Students had the opportunity to:

- ♦ See what a firefighter looks and sounds like in full gear
- ♦ Practice “Stop, Drop, and Roll”
- ♦ Learn about the safe use of lithium batteries
- ♦ Tour the fire trucks and explore the equipment
- ♦ And yes—even use a real fire hose!

These engaging sessions are always a highlight of October and serve as a powerful reminder of how we can all stay safe in emergency situations. We thank our local heroes for taking the time to teach and inspire our students! (photo bottom right)

Veterans Day Breakfast

Thursday, November 6 at 9:00 a.m.

We invite all veterans in our community to join us for a special breakfast and celebration in their honor. If you or a family member is a veteran and would like to attend, please contact the SVCS Elementary Office to RSVP at 315-495-4550.



Community Service Through “Socktober”

Our student leaders are already hard at work making a difference! **Student Council** has hit the ground running this year, helping to build school spirit and encourage service across our building. They teamed up with other student clubs—**Art Club, Wellness Club, LEGO Club, and Library Club**—on a special joint project last month: **Socktober**.

This community service initiative invited families to donate new socks throughout October. All donations will be given to local shelters, helping those in need as the colder weather arrives. This year's Socktober drive was held **in memory of our beloved art teacher, Sarah Bennati**, whose creativity and compassion continues to inspire our students.

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership. SVCS Elementary is a place where students feel safe, valued, and challenged—and we couldn't do it without our amazing school community. Let's keep the momentum going into the rest of fall!

Warmly,
Julie Suber
K-6 Principal



FOURTH GRADE IS OFF TO A FANTASTIC START



A couple of months into the school year, and we are already accomplishing big things! After establishing our classroom rules and routines, we jumped right in — reading some awesome stories, writing personal narratives about special moments in our lives, exploring how Earth is constantly changing and the evidence that supports it, and tackling our brand-new math curriculum.

To say we've been busy is an understatement! And it's only going to get busier with the upcoming holidays and all the exciting events ahead. I'm truly looking forward to meeting with parents during conference time to share all the wonderful things that make each student so special.

Erica Laraby, 4th Grade Teacher

SIXTH GRADE STUDIES STONE AGE

Students in sixth grade wrapped up their unit on the Stone Age. They were able to create a tool, an animal, fossil, cave paintings or a diorama to illustrate the Stone Age. Everyone did a great job capturing the Stone Age time period!

Jessica Smith, 6th Grade Teacher



PEP RALLY BRINGS OUT SCHOOL SPIRIT



IN MEMORIAM

The staff at Stockbridge Valley recently undertook a project to remember the lives of three very special retirees that passed away in the last 2 years. All worked in the SVCS Business Office until their retirement - Diana (Roher) Cordell, Tax Collector, Judith (Ford) Pratt, District Treasurer and Therese (Eastman) Clark, Tax Collector. They were long-time residents of our community and mothers of SVCS graduates. Staff took up a collection to purchase a bench for our memorial garden with a plaque to honor them for their staunch dedication to SVCS. The bench is positioned to keep a watchful eye over our students and school, just like these three women always did during their time here at SVCS. A very special thank you to all our donors!





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NOVEMBER

10 AM - 12 PM AT THE PTSO
HOLIDAY BAZAAR

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\$2/PERSON OR \$5/FAMILY
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SVCS PTSO
presents our annual

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HEALTH SCREENINGS

Reminder from the Health Office:

The Stockbridge Valley Central School Health Services program supports your student's academic success by promoting health and well-being in the school setting. One way we care for students is by conducting the health screenings required by the New York State Department of Education.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision

- Distance and near acuity for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing

- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.

Scoliosis

- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for all girls in grades 5 and 7, and boys in grade 9.

A letter will be sent home if there are any findings on the screening done at school that would cause concern or need medical follow-up. Please call the school's Health Office if you have any questions or concerns.

New York State law also requires a health examination for all students entering the school district for the first time and when entering Pre-K or K, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th grade.

If you have not yet sent in a copy of your child's health exam please do so as soon as possible. If we do not receive a copy of the exam, one will be done at the school.

Sincerely,
Mattie Shea, RN
School Nurse



NHS Thanksgiving Food Drive

Dear SVCS Family,

We hope that this letter finds you in good health and spirits! As the holiday season approaches, we are announcing that our annual food drive to support the First Congregational Church of Munnsville will begin on Monday, November 3rd and end on Wednesday, November 19th.

NHS members and 'Inductees' will stop by your student's classroom daily to collect donations.

Please keep the following in mind when sending donations in with your students:

- Donations are to be non-perishable, as there is no cold storage here at school or at the Church.
- The Food Pantry does not accept items in glass containers.
- It is important to check expiration dates, as expired donations are discarded.

In this season of gratitude and giving, we greatly appreciate the overwhelming dedication that our SVCS Family continues to show in supporting our local families.

Best wishes this holiday season!

Students of the SVCS Chapter of the National Honor Society

Christmas Eve Fun Box

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PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW!
E-mail: kjohnson@stockbridgevalley.org OR see us at the PTSO Bazaar on 11/22nd (a few will be available day of!)

Santa's Magic Key
Rudolph's Bell
Reindeer Food
Grinch Repellent Dust
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Letter to Santa

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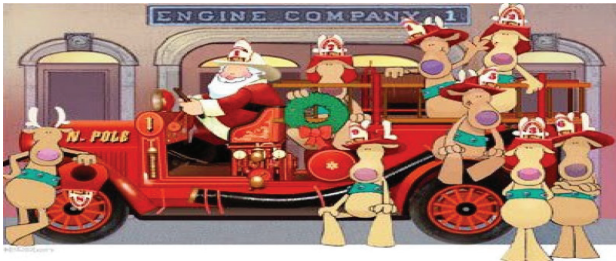
Your purchase helps us with
activities and fees throught the year.

Wishing you a
wonderful holiday season!

VILLAGE OF MUNNSVILLE

**15TH ANNUAL FIRE TRUCK
PARADE & TREE LIGHTING**

Hosted by the Munnsville Volunteer Fire Department



Saturday *December 6, 2025*
Starting at 6:30 p.m.

Tree Lighting with Santa at 7:00 PM (across from the Fire
Hall) Hot Chocolate & Donuts will be served



TREE LIGHTING SPONSORED BY WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS

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LIMITED TIME ONLY!

ARRIVING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND

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***EXTRA BOXES OF DOZEN GLAZED WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
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CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "SVCS NEWSPAPER CLUB"**

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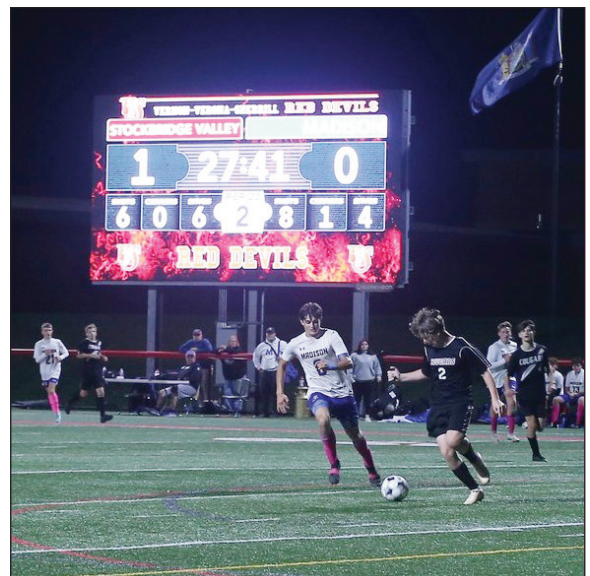
YOUTH SOCCER TEAMS



RIVALRY NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHTS

Fans from Stockbridge Valley and Madison filled the stands at VVS Stadium on October 4 for an exciting night of varsity soccer! The crowd brought energy — waving signs, showing school pride with team merch, and enjoying the action from the stands.

The Stockbridge and Madison girls fought hard and finished in a double-overtime tie, while the Madison boys sealed the night with a dramatic overtime win. What a great night of competition, school spirit, and community pride.



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