



Genesee Valley Central School

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Jag News



JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS

By: Mrs. Hemphill

The GV Junior Firefighters welcomed the Belfast Junior Firefighters to their first training session on January 12. Thank you to Scio for providing an outstanding training experience. The juniors practiced how to properly put their gear on in under one minute and how to navigate tight spaces while wearing full gear and air packs. They also had the opportunity to train in

the smoke room, which simulates a house fire scenario. During this exercise, the juniors crawled through the smoke and dark interior to locate a patient and safely remove them. These kids aren't just role model—they are true superheroes. I can't say it enough how proud I am of you all.

STAY CONNECTED! Find staff contacts, upcoming events, facility use details, and other helpful information at:

www.genvalley.org

Character

WORDS OF THE MONTH

MARCH

Resilience

it's the ability to "bounce back" from difficult experiences

APRIL

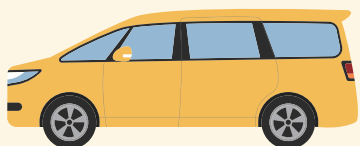
Sincere

it's about truly meaning what you say or do, reflecting your real beliefs and intentions without faking it

TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS TO NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS DUE BY APRIL 1ST

The deadline date for transportation requests to non-public schools for the 2026-27 school year must be submitted in writing by April 1, 2026. Requests should be sent to: Dr. Paige Kinnaird, Superintendent, Genesee Valley Central School, 1 Jaguar Drive, Belmont, NY 14813.

Please call the Transportation Office at (585) 268-7920 if you have questions.



SCHOOL CLOSINGS, DELAYS, OR EARLY DISMISSAL

Genesee Valley Central School District recently changed to **ParentSquare** to keep parents and staff informed of important school activities, news, closings/delays, etc.

Keep Emergency Contact Information Updated – It is very important if your phone number, email address or mailing address has changed to contact **Denise Baker at (585) 268-7937 or e-mail dbaker@genvalley.org** with any changes.

We also announce closings/delays on the following:

- GVCS Website
- Buffalo News TV Stations: NBC, CBS, ABC and Spectrum
- Local Radio Stations: 93.5 FM, 95.7 and 103.5

BELMONT FREE LIBRARY

Spring is a busy season at the Belmont Free Library! We invite all local families to join us for our upcoming youth programs, ranging from interactive story times to teen fun.

MARCH 7 • 10:30 AM

Pop Up Pictures Club (Cat in the Hat, all ages)

MARCH 12 • 10:30 AM

Toddler Play and Stay: Rain Clouds

MARCH 24 • 3:30 PM

Preschool Story Time: Great Sleep Wakeup

MARCH 28 • 11:00 AM

Teen Time: Terrariums (Ages 12-17ish)

MARCH 31 • 3:30 PM

Preschool Story Time: Windy Weather

APRIL 4 • 10:30 AM

Pop Up Pictures Club (Zootopia, all ages)

APRIL 4 • 3:30 PM

Preschool Storytime: Big Builds

APRIL 9 • 10:30 AM

Toddler Play and Stay

APRIL 14 • 3:30 PM

Preschool Storytime: Tiny Neighborhoods

APRIL 21 • 3:30 PM

Preschool Storytime: Earth Day Helpers

APRIL 28 • 3:30 PM

Preschool Storytime: Secrets Underground

Space and materials are often limited, so we encourage you to stop in early. For a full look at everything happening this month, including our adult programming and digital resources, visit us online at BelmontFreeLibrary.org

ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE & BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS

PETITIONS NOW AVAILABLE FOR THREE BOARD SEATS

Petitions for candidates for the Genesee Valley Central School Board of Education are available in the district office. Petitions must be signed by at least 25 district residents and filed by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2026.

There are three seats up for election that are currently held by incumbents Timothy Hand, Michelle Kelley and Jamie Willson. Seats are “at large,” meaning the three candidates with the most votes are elected. The term of office for the three seats is three years, July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2029. If you would like a petition to run for the Board or have questions, please contact Pam Winterhalter, District Clerk at (585) 268-7909 or pwinterhalter@genvalley.org.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be able to read and write
- Must not be judged to be incompetent
- Must be a qualified district voter (a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, registered with Allegany County Board of Elections or with Genesee Valley School District)
- Must be and have been a resident (but need not be a taxpayer) of the district for a continuous and uninterrupted period of at least one year immediately before the election
- May not have been removed from any school district office within the preceding year.
- May not reside with another member of the same school board as a member of the same family
- May not be a current employee of the school district
- May not simultaneously hold another incompatible public office

ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE BUDGET & VOTE DATES:

- Monday, April 20, 2026 – Board of Education Petitions due by 5:00 p.m., District Office
- Tuesday, April 21, 2026 – Board of Education Meeting at 5:30 p.m., Media Lab Room – Adopt 2026-27 Budget
- May 5-14, 2026 – Voter Registration at Genesee Valley Central School Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., and Saturday by appointment only
- Tuesday, May 5, 2026 – Public Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., Media Lab Room
- Tuesday, May 5-19, 2026 – Budget copies available upon request
- Tuesday, May 19, 2026 – District Vote, 12:00 – 8:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE - ONE ELECTION SITE

BOTH Belmont & Angelica residents must vote at Genesee Valley Central School Pool Vestibule, (back entrance of the building) 1 Jaguar Drive, Belmont, NY



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, March 13	Staff Development Day
Friday, April 3	Good Friday (School Building will be closed)
Monday, April 6 - Friday April, 10	Easter/Spring Break (No School/Office Open)

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR PK3 & PK4

It's time to pre-register for PK3 & PK4. Children must live in the GVCS district and be age appropriate by December 1, 2026. PK3 offers flexible day options, transportation, and no screening is required. PK4 is a full-day program. After submitting your application, a screening is required. (We will contact you to schedule an appointment.) If your child already attends GV, no further action is needed. **Please scan the QR code to complete online pre-registration by April 1, 2026**



The administration of Genesee Valley Central School announces the following students, grades 7-12, have been named to the Honor Rolls for the 2nd quarter of the 2025-26 school year. A student named to the Principal's Honor Roll recognizes students who have an average of 93 and above. The High Honor Roll recognizes students whose average is 90-92 and the Honor Roll recognizes students whose average is 85-89.

FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLL LIST:

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL:

12th grade: Tayla Brenna, Ethan Davenport, Bryce Davis, Jacey Davis, Zachary Davis, Byron France, Nolan Hunter, McKenna Jeffers, Amani Kaffan, Meara Kelley, Ian MacKenzie, Tristan Metatos, Xander Murray, Roy Osgood, Kenton Shultz, Lannden Tilton, Whitney Young

11th grade: Kylee Christensen, Tanner Herdman, Trent Hutchison, Addison Middaugh, Ruthlyn Patrick Kayla Wedge

10th grade: Ada Griffin, Jasmine Henriquez, Leah Hutchison, Brett Lewandowski, Alayna McCullen, Christain Reid, Zachary Ryan, Andra Shultz, Paizlee Tilton, Mackenzie Turybury

9th grade: Boone Fanton, Gracyn Graham, Kylee Kear, Kimberli Perryman, Ella Schoonover, Madelynn Scott

8th grade: Allison Geffers, Tye Vargas-Frezza, Jaxson Wyre

7th grade: Evan Kermott, Madyson Mahoney, Fiona Marble, Lillian Mountain, Karson Osterhout, Hazel Prout, Blake Sheridan, Isabella Snapp, Attica Weinblatt

HIGH HONOR ROLL:

12th grade: Graham Bradt, Cree Bulkley, Larry Geffers III, Ryker Holmes, D'Andre LaClair, Christina McAuley

11th grade: Addison Bradt, Roderich Clarke,

Alivia Crossley, Bryan Kear, Zackery Mapes, Maks Stocking

10th grade: Baylee Babbitt, Regina Dougherty, Morgan Grooms, Lena McNinch, Spencer Rambaran

9th grade: Finn Hunter, Anthony Marra, Isabelle Waters

8th grade: Harper Bell, Amelia Edmund, Braelynn Jordan, Nadia McEvoy, Abigail Montgomery Collins, Corbin Norton, Natalie White, Braelyn Zwiefka

7th grade: William Campbell, Laci Dean, Hadleigh Graham, Melody Johnson, Avery Jones, Zachariah Lyon, Olivia McCullen, Paul Mitchell, Malia Scott

HONOR ROLL:

12th grade: Ayeron Bentley, Logan Callahan, Cole Cochran, Mason Fanton, Joseph Frawley, Kasey Ganoung, Brady Hamilton, Charlotte Mejia, Logan Rice, Jade Sallazzo, Justine Willson

11th grade: Riely Barnes, Ash Bauer, Riley Blarr, Caylin Brenna, Parker Davis, Elivia McIntyre, Dominick Miller, Ian Miller, Trenton Whitesell

10th grade: Victor Baxter, Jaden Brown, Leah Burrows, Cierra Davenport, Ryley Frank, Ryan Jadwin, Enajah Koontz Gibbs, Madisyn Lananger, Mackenzie Newman, Rowan Vossler, Aason White

9th grade: Braedon Callahan, Elizabeth Grantier, Kaylin Greene, Harmony Henriquez, Leah Laraby, Trent Lewandowski, Ainsley

Marciano, Liviya Rice

8th grade: Sawyer Brown, Audrey Clark, Alaina Cleveland, Avery Geoppner, Jackie Hudson, Rae Scholes, Killian Stocking

7th grade: Alyx Allison, Amelia Aylor, Grayson Burt, Tara Cartwright, Steven Dougherty, Brockten Fanton, Jasper Fanton, Nicholas Geffers, Brayden Graves, Kendra Harding, Zachary Irish

HONOR ROLL FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING BOCES:

HIGH HONOR ROLL:

12th Grade: Graham Bradt, Tayla Brenna, Bryce Davis, Zachary Davis, Nolan Hunter, Meara Kelley, D'Andre LaClair, Ian

MacKenzie, Christina McAuley, Tristan Metatos, Whitney Young

11th Grade: Landyn Burrows, Damon Davis, Tanner Herdman, Trent Hutchison, Mason Thomas

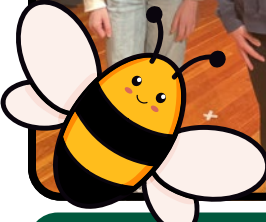

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11th Grade: Riely Barnes, Riley Blarr, Parker Davis, Derick Grantier, Bryan Kear, Dominick Miller, Ian Miller, Chilaleah Ormsby, Maks Stocking, Trenton Whitsell



The 2026 Grade 5–8 Spelling Bee featured 40 student participants and a great display of spelling skills! Hazel Prout earned first place by correctly spelling the word “fissures,” with Amelia Edmund finishing as the runner-up.

NHS INDUCTIONS

Our National Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held on Friday, March 20th at 8:00 a.m. Applicants who are GPA-eligible and meet the Four Pillar qualifications are currently undergoing the application and review process. Stay tuned for our published list of new 2026 members!

2026 NYS Grades 3-8 Assessments

Genesee Valley Central School will be administering the 2026 New York State Grades 3-8 ELA, Math, and Grades 5 & 8 Science computer-based assessments on the mornings of the dates listed in the schedule below. Please notify us if your child will be absent on testing days so we can schedule a make-up session. The New York State Education Department will again be limiting the NYS ELA and Math testing to two days per test as they have in previous years.

To promote your child's ability to perform at their very best, here are a few test-taking tips to review with your child:

- Keep a positive attitude and simply focus on doing your best. Try to relax and take a few deep breaths.
- Go to bed early so you can get a good night's sleep before testing day.
- Eat a healthy breakfast each morning of the test.
- Read each question carefully so you know what the directions are asking you to do.
- Write neatly so everyone can read your work.
- Make sure you answer all questions. If you don't

know the answer, make your best guess.

- Avoid medical and dental appointments on testing days. If your child feels ill, keep them home for the day.

As always, we appreciate the support we get from parents. If you have a child who could use some reassurance, please contact their classroom teacher. Our teachers can support your child while at school.

If you have any questions, please call testing coordinator Paula Roberts or your child's principal at (585) 268-7900.

2026 ELA ASSESSMENT (GRADES 3-8)

Tuesday-Wednesday, April 21-22

2026 MATH ASSESSMENT (GRADES 3-8)

Tuesday-Wednesday, April 28-29

2026 SCIENCE ASSESSMENT (GRADES 5 & 8)

Tuesday, May 5



CONGRATULATIONS TO
OUR UGLY SWEATER
CONTEST AND GRINCH
CONTEST WINNERS!



GUIDANCE NEWS

REMINDER TO SENIORS AND SENIOR PARENTS CHECK MRS. PRESTON'S WEBSITE WEEKLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Each June at graduation, many scholarships are given out in remembrance of relatives who have lived in the community and who wish to be remembered by loved ones. Also, local businesses and organizations promoting continuing education give scholarships to graduating seniors. If you are one of the people/organizations who are contributing to scholarship funds, we at GVCS would like to thank you! Last year at graduation, our seniors received over \$30,000! If you would like to set up a scholarship in the name of someone special to you, please see the donation form below. Listed below are the scholarships that were available and/or were awarded the last few years at graduation:

- ACS Bulkley Family Scholarship
- Allegany County Area Foundation General Scholarships
- Allegany County Counselors Association Scholarship
- Allegany County Deputy Sheriffs Association Scholarship
- Allegany County Highway Superintendents Scholarship
- Allegany County National Honor Society Scholarship
- Allegany County Pomona Grange scholarships
- Amity Rescue ES Supporting Staff Scholarship
- Angelica Booster Citizens Award
- Angelica Lions Club Award
- Belmont Fire Company Scholarship
- Belmont Rotary Club Scholarship
- Belva A. Waite Memorial Scholarship
- Brad Field Memorial Scholarship
- Cate Tomah Memorial Award
- Clair and Mildred Aldred Almeter Memorial Scholarship
- Connect Life Award
- David D. Chilson Memorial Scholarship
- Deb Histed Sports Scholarship
- Dresser Rand Scholarship
- Dr. Edward and Evelyn Briggs Memorial Scholarship
- Duane "Duff" Fuller & Beth Andrews Memorial Scholarship
- Elks Scholarship
- F.M. Strate Memorial Scholarship
- Gail Crego Memorial Scholarship
- GVCS Educators' Association Scholarship
- GVCS Flex Med Scholarship
- GVCS PTO Scholarship
- GVCS Sports Booster Scholarship
- GVCS Triple D Scholarship
- Haggstrom Family Scholarship
- Herbert DeLong American Legion Post 808-Auxillary
- Herbert DeLong American Legion Post 808-Junior Auxiliary
- Herbert DeLong American Legion Post 808
- Hill Warner American Legion Post 414-Auxillary
- Hill Warner American Legion Post 414
- Hill Warner American Legion Post 414-Sons
- Holy Family Altar Society Scholarship
- Ian Gregory Bole Memorial Scholarship
- Ida Case Memorial Scholarship
- James C. Bliven Award
- James Timberlake Memorial Scholarship
- Jason Amore Memorial Scholarship
- John Patterson Memorial Scholarship
- Joseph E. Presutti Memorial Scholarship
- Kane Family Scholarship Fund
- Karen A. Kunz Memorial Scholarship
- Kevin L. Shay Memorial Scholarship
- Larry Dye Memorial Scholarship
- Leonard and Margaret Kelley Memorial Scholarship
- Lyn VanTassel Scholarship
- Lynn Manning Memorial Scholarship
- Michael Francis Presutti Memorial Scholarship
- Michael G. Harding Memorial Scholarship
- Mitzi Winterhalter Creative Writing Scholarship
- Penny's from Heaven Scholarship
- Phyllis T. & Joseph C. Herdman Charitable Foundation Scholarship
- Robert B. Hunter Memorial Scholarship
- Rod Pike II Memorial Scholarship
- SAANYS Region 12 Scholarship
- Sarah Hammond Davison Award
- Stephen V. Ambroselli Scholar Incentive Scholarship
- Steuben Trust Company Scholarship
- Timothy J. Clark Memorial Scholarship
- William F. Farnsworth Memorial Scholarship

Name of Donor: _____

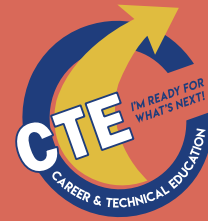
Address: _____

Phone # _____

This scholarship is presented in the honor/memory of:

The criteria or specifics of the scholarship: _____

Please return form and refer any questions to Mrs. Preston in the Guidance Office.



CELEBRATING NATIONAL CTE MONTH

Over 50 Genesee Valley students are currently enrolled in 15 career and technical education programs at the CA BOCES CTE Center in Belmont, gaining valuable hands-on experience for their future careers.

A special congratulations to Shawn Clancy for being named Section V Class D Boys Swimming and Diving Coach of the Year.



Kudos to Brett Lewandowski for winning the Jag Bowl II Fantasy Football League Championship in Mr. Mead's History of Sport class! Brett competed against fellow students and GV staff members to earn the top prize. He was awarded a custom t-shirt and now has his name proudly displayed on the Jag Bowl II Trophy.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIOR ATHLETES FROM THE WINTER SEASON



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The GV/BC Boys Basketball Senior Night was celebrated at Genesee Valley February 4th. Five of the seven seniors graduating this year are from GV: 1) Logan Rice, son of Mark & Liz Rice; 2) Ian MacKenzie, son of Charity & Todd Wallace; 3) Lannden Tilton, grandson of Rhonnie & Mark Tilton and Butch & Sally Illerbrun; 4) Larry Geffers, son of Vanessa Geffers; and 5) Kenton Shultz, son of Joe & Shawna Shultz. (Kenton was missing for senior night pictures).

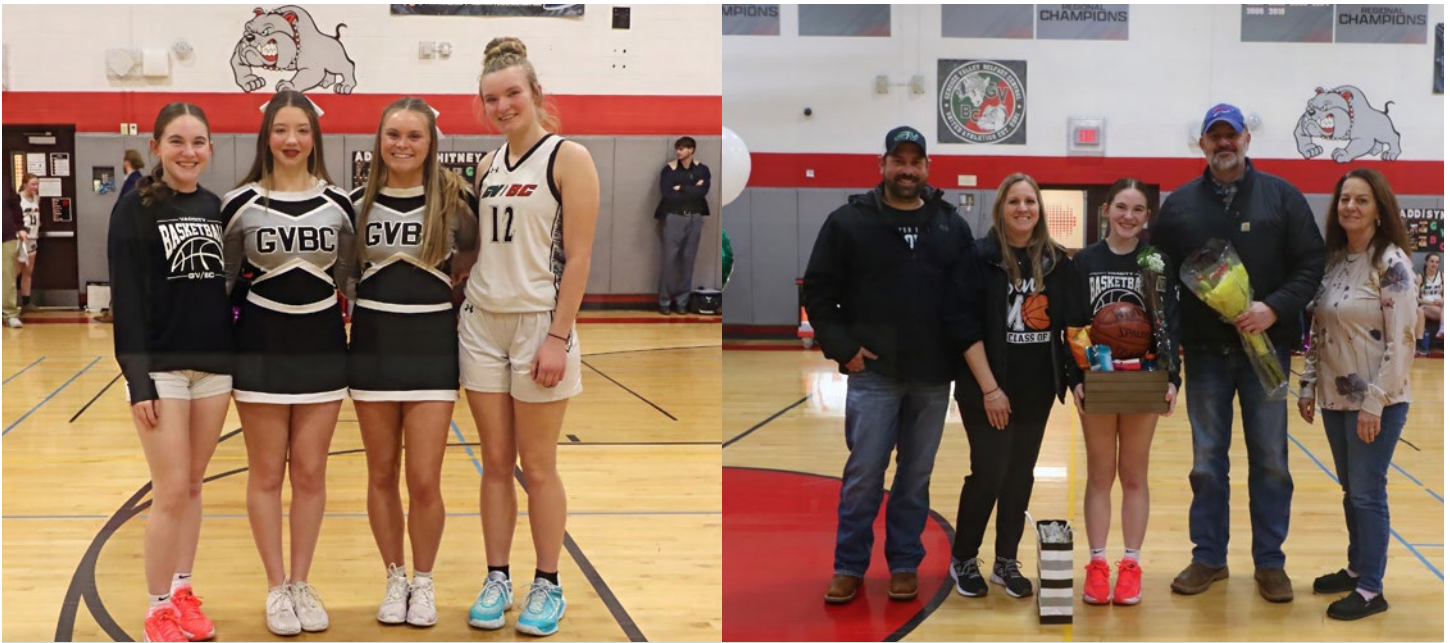


The GV/BC Senior Night for Boys Volleyball took place at Genesee Valley on February 3, 2026. One of the two seniors graduating this year was from GV: Congratulations to Kaden Huffer, son of Tanya Huffer



CONGRATULATIONS ON 1000 POINTS!

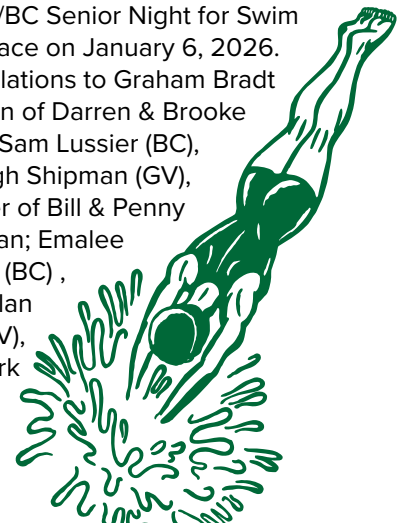
Congratulations to Ian MacKenzie on scoring his 1000th point during a basketball game at Avoca-Prattsburgh. The GV/BC community celebrated Ian's accomplishment at the next home game at Genesee Valley. Way to go Ian!



Congrats to our senior girls from Basketball and Competitive Cheer: Whitney Young (GV-Girls BB), daughter of Sara (Tyler) Carlin & Dane Young, Carly Moultrup (BC), Rhianna Hoover (BC), and Addisyn Ely (BC).



The GV/BC Senior Night for Swim took place on January 6, 2026. Congratulations to Graham Bratt (GV), son of Darren & Brooke Bratt; Sam Lussier (BC), Carleigh Shipman (GV), daughter of Bill & Penny Shipman; Emalee Carman (BC), and Nolan Hunter (GV), son of Mark & Sara Hunter



ATHLETIC WALL OF FAME NOMINATES DUE JUNE 5TH

The GVCS Athletic Wall of Fame Committee is seeking nominations for the Class of 2026. The criteria is listed below. The Class of 2026 will be honored Homecoming Weekend, with a brunch and award ceremony. Date for homecoming will be announced in the May/June Jag issue. We will be accepting nominations until June 5, 2026. If you would like to nominate someone or have any questions, **please contact Raegan Ryan, Athletic Director at (585) 268-7900 (Ext. 1108) or email rryan@genvalley.org.**

PURPOSE:

- To preserve the history of the Angelica Central School and Belmont Central School athletic programs.
- To preserve, strengthen and add distinction to the athletic program at GVCS.
- To perpetuate the efforts of those individuals and groups who, through either participation, support or interest have made outstanding contributions to the Angelica, Belmont or Genesee Valley athletic program and school community.
- To recognize individuals who have demonstrated, both in school and in succeeding years, the worth of participation in athletics, in helping them establish well-defined goals in their lives, providing mature leadership in various situations and having a positive influence on society.

WALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:

Angelica Community Member	Dave Fleming
Belmont Community Member	Mike Obuhanich
Athletic Director	Raegan Ryan
Administrator	Dr. Paige Kinnaird
School Board Members	Tim Hand, Max Gilluly and James Cartwright

NOMINEES:

Athletes, Coaches, Contributors and Teams

SELECTION PROCEDURE:

- Nominations may come from any source to any committee member.
- No more than five inductees will be admitted per year (one from Angelica Central School, one from Belmont Central School and three from Genesee Valley Central School).
- Nominations in any one year are unlimited. The committee will reduce to vote (five from Angelica School, five from Belmont School and eight from GVCS).

- The nominees will be asked to complete a questionnaire that will provide information used by the committee to make their decision on inductees. Any nominee that received at least one vote will be included on the ballot the next year for consideration.
- After June 5th nominations deadline, the committee will meet to vote for a maximum of five total inductees. Each committee member will give five votes. Any admitted candidate must receive two-thirds of the potential committee votes.
- All final selections and voting results are strictly confidential.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Five-year waiting period from the time of graduation.
- Successful participation in one or more sports during high school.
- Noteworthy accomplishments as a citizen will be considered based on post-high school contributions such as athletics, career field, community service and public service.

COACHES / CONTRIBUTORS:

- Ten-year waiting period from the time of initial contribution to GVCS.
- Successful seasons and consistent contributions to the athletic program at GVCS.
- Consideration given to all aspects of contribution to school community.

TEAMS:

- Five-year waiting period from the time of graduation.
- At least, Section V Champions.

RECOGNITION OF INDUCTEES:

- Induction Ceremony will be held at the GVCS Homecoming Weekend (date to be announced in the May/June Jag issue)
- A recent picture of inductee will appear on the permanent plaque for the "Wall of Fame" area at GVCS.
- A personal plaque of recognition will be presented to the inductees.

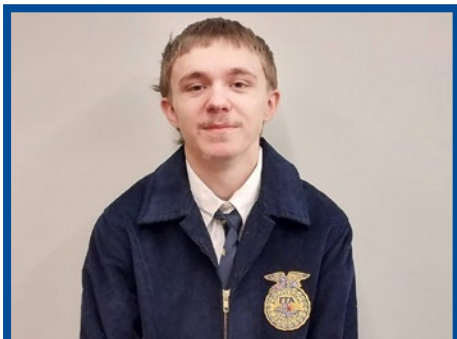
Winter Edition

By: Carolyn Wright



In January, GVCS FFA members kicked off the competition season with the District FFA Contests held on January 31st at Sherman Central School. GVCS had 7 FFA members compete in 4 different contests: Agricultural Issues, Employment Skills, Sr. Creed Speaking, and Jr. People in Agriculture. The Agricultural Issues team of Mason Fanton, Elizabeth Grantier, Chilaleah Ormsby, Sarah Dorrett, and Addison Middaugh came in 2nd place presenting on the importance of biosecurity regarding the recent EHV-1 outbreak. In Employment Skills, Addison Middaugh, Sarah Dorrett, and Roderich Clarke came in the top 6 and Addison placed 5th individually in Sr. Creed Speaking. Each of these students will represent GVCS in their respective contests at Substates on March 14th at Alfred State College. Savannah Middaugh represented GVCS FFA as a 6th grader in the Jr. People in Agriculture contest and placed 6th in her flight. While she isn't advancing to Substates, she did an excellent job representing our chapter.

As we look towards the Spring, FFA members are beginning to prepare for the Corn Hole Tournament fundraiser the first Saturday of March, the Penn Yan CDE Invitational, and NY FFA Contests at SUNY Cobleskill on March 27th.



Great news from GVCS FFA! There was an error in scoring at the FFA Employment Skills competition and we're pleased to announce that Roderich Clarke finished in the top six and now qualifies for Substates in March. Congratulations Roderich!





New York State
**PORTRAIT OF A
GRADUATE**

Parent

NEED-TO-KNOW

The New York State Portrait of a Graduate outlines what your child will gain from their P-12 education to support their ability to thrive in college, careers, and as an engaged citizen in today's world. The Portrait supports your child's success beyond high school graduation.



Whole-Child Development

The Portrait supports your child's growth in every way. Your child will grow academically, socially, emotionally, and culturally. The emphasis on whole-child development will better prepare your child for college, careers, and life as an engaged citizen.

Equity and Belonging

Culturally Responsive-Sustaining Education (CR-SE) is at the core of the Portrait. Educators and leaders will work to make your child feel seen, heard, and valued at school. Educational communities will strive to create a learning environment where your child can thrive.

Authentic Application

Portrait skills - such as communication, collaboration, and critical thinking - will be embedded into real-world projects, interdisciplinary units, and work based learning. Your child will be encouraged to apply these skills in ways that reflect their lived experiences and aspirations.

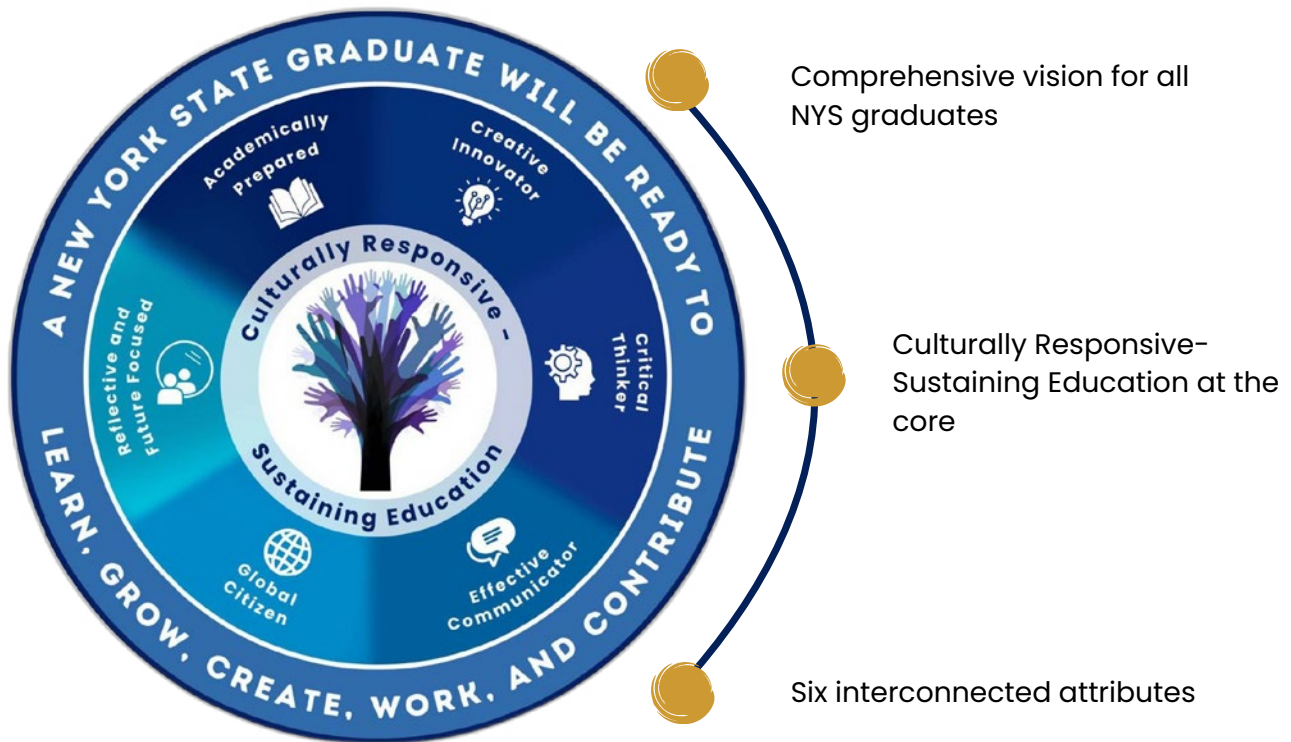


Shared Values

The Portrait was designed with input from students, families, educators, leaders, and communities across New York State. The Portrait reflects our shared values for children: to be ready to learn, grow, create, work, and contribute.

Your Child's Performance

Schools will use varied strategies to assess your child's achievement and progress in the attributes of the Portrait. Strategies may include performance tasks, portfolios, projects, and presentations of learning.



What Can I Do Now?

Discuss the Portrait with your child, their teachers, and administrators. Visit the Department's Portrait of a Graduate webpage using the QR code below for additional guidance related to the Portrait.

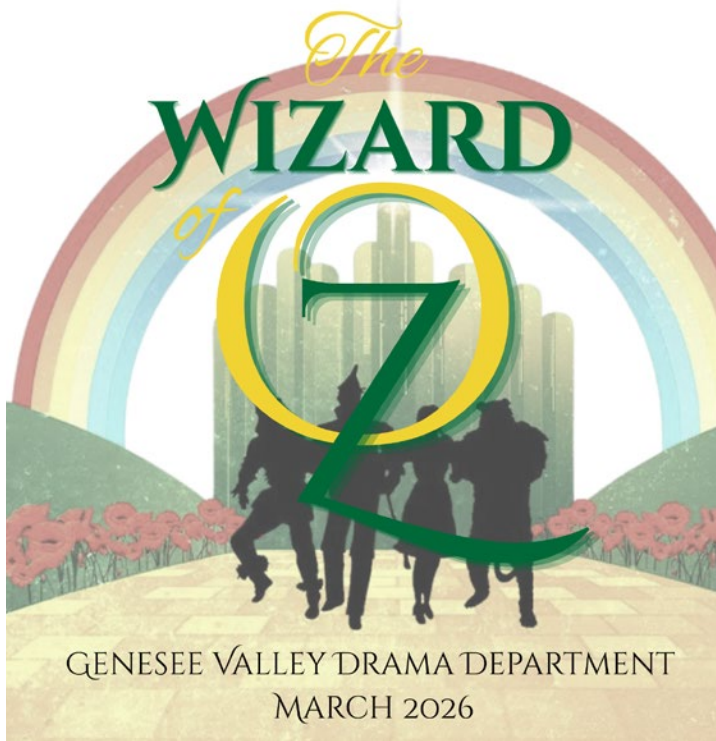


New York State

PORTRAIT OF A GRADUATE

nysed.gov/grad-measures
GradMeasures@nysed.gov





Join the GV Drama Department as they bring the classic story of The Wizard of Oz to life on stage! This year's production features two talented casts—the Ruby Cast and the Emerald Cast—each offering its own unique interpretation of the beloved musical.

SHOWTIMES:

RUBY CAST

- March 12 at 7:00 PM
- March 13 at 7:00 PM

EMERALD CAST

- March 14 at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM

Come support our students and enjoy a magical journey down the Yellow Brick Road!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SPRING CONCERTS

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026
AT 6:00 PM**

Elementary Concert for Grades K-4
Fine Arts Festival - 5:00-7:30 PM

HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING CONCERTS

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026 AT 6:30 PM

Band Concert for Grades 9-12 and
Choir Concert for Grades 7-12

**THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026
AT 6:30 PM**

Band Concert for Grades 6-8
Choir Concert for Grades 5-6


Coverage of the school year, from cover-to-cover

Don't forget to order your yearbook. These are memories that your student will want to hold onto and cherish for a lifetime.



Place your order today at:
www.jostensyearbooks.com

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Character Word of the Month: Resilience 1	Please Note - Sports Schedules will be on GV Website 2	3	4	Report cards mailed home Grades 5 & 6 5	Allegany County Music Festival Rehearsal at Houghton 12-6:00 pm Progress reports mailed home Grades 5 & 6 Report cards mailed home Grades K-4 6	Allegany County Music Festival Concert at Houghton 2:00pm 7
8	First Day of Spring Sports 9	5:30pm - Board of Education Meeting, Room 1121 10	11	Drama Production (Ruby Cast) at 7:00 pm 12	Staff Development Day No Student Attendance Drama Production (Ruby Cast) at 7:00 pm 13	SAT Test Drama Production (Emerald Cast) at 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm 14
15	16	 17	18	19	8:00am - NHS Induction Ceremony Allegany County Music Festival Rehearsal at Wellsville 12-6:00pm HS Youth & Government Conf. 20	Allegany County Music Festival Concert at Wellsville 2:00pm HS Youth & Government Conference 21
HS Youth & Government Conference 22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	5:30pm - Board of Education Budget Work Session, Room 1121 31				

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Character Word of the Month: Sincere	Please Note - Sports Schedules will be on GV Website		4:00-6:00 pm - JAM Chicken & Rib Dinner 5:00-7:30pm Fine Arts Festival Spring Concerts: 6:00pm Grades K-4 1	Report cards mailed home Grades 5 & 6 2	GOOD FRIDAY School Building Closed 3	4
EASTER 5	Spring Break No School Offices Open 6	Spring Break No School Offices Open 7	Spring Break No School Offices Open 8	Spring Break No School Offices Open 9	Spring Break No School Offices Open 10	ACT Test 11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	5:30pm - Board of Education Meeting, Adopt GV & BOCES Budgets, Room 1121 21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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GENESEE VALLEY FITNESS CENTER



HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY-FRIDAY

5:00-8:00 AM &
3:00-9:00 PM

SATURDAY-SUNDAY

5:00 AM TO 9:00 PM

If the school building is closed (holidays, snow days, early dismissals, etc.) **the Fitness Center will be closed**



RULES FOR USING THE FITNESS CENTER

- All members must be a district resident, alumni, faculty, staff or taxpayer of the Genesee Valley community or have a student attend GVCS.
- All applicants will complete a training session prior to receiving their membership, please contact Tory Rounds for more information - (585) 268-7900
- No one under 18 may utilize the fitness center without adult supervision.
- Members must ensure that the equipment is clean by wiping off all equipment after each use. GVCS fitness center does provide sanitary wipes for use.

NOTE: A friendly reminder when you use the GVCS Fitness Center: **please remember to change into clean shoes before entering the fitness center.** There is ample space to change footwear prior to entering the center. Thank you for helping us keep our fitness equipment clean and usable for all.

INDOOR TRACK AT GVCS

(ONLY WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)

During the cold winter months, the GVCS Indoor Track is open to community residents from 3:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (The track closes at 5:00 p.m. for winter sports.) Please enter through the main doors and proceed upstairs to access the track. Come join us and stay active this Winter!