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# THE BARONS BUZZ

A DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

FEBRUARY 27, 2026

### Nominations for the 2026 Baron Award of Excellence are Now Open

The Baron Award of Excellence is awarded to individuals who make a difference in the Buckeye Valley Local School District and the BV community. Nominations can be made by anyone associated with the schools.

Nominations can include: Students, Staff, Community members, Volunteers, and Coaches. If you know of someone who is deserving of this award, please complete a nomination form [HERE](#).

The deadline for nominations is **Friday, March 27, 2026, by 4:00 pm**. The 2026 Baron Award of Excellence recipients will be recognized at a banquet on Wednesday, May 20, 2026.

### Alex Zimmer Named Finalist for 25-26 Golden Owl Award

Buckeye Valley is pleased to announce that Alex Zimmer, our BV DACC Agriculture Instructor, has been named a finalist for the prestigious 2025–26 Golden Owl Award! This statewide honor, presented by Nationwide and the Ohio FFA, recognizes the "best of the best" in agricultural education—teachers who don't just follow a curriculum, but truly shape the next generation of leaders. Mr. Zimmer was surprised during a staff meeting this week, surrounded by his colleagues. The room was filled with appreciation for a teacher who has become a cornerstone of our community.

As one of only ten honorees in Ohio, Mr. Zimmer has already secured a \$1,500 prize for our FFA chapter! He will be recognized this spring at the Ohio FFA State Convention, where one grand prize winner will be named the Ohio Agricultural Educator of the Year and earn \$5,000 for their program.

Congratulations, Mr. Zimmer! Thank you for your extraordinary commitment to our



students and the future of agriculture. We'll be cheering you on at the State Convention!

**FINAL CALL: Buckeye Valley Summer Enrichment Registration Closes TODAY**

**State Testing Update**

Time is running out to secure a spot for your student in the **2026 Buckeye Valley Summer Enrichment (BVSE) program!** Registration ends **TODAY!** Don't miss this "Last Call" register [HERE](#). For specific questions regarding registration or program details, please contact **Laura Pappa, Gifted Coordinator**, at [LPappa@mybvls.org](mailto:LPappa@mybvls.org)

**LAST CALL**

Don't miss out!

**Buckeye Valley  
Summer Enrichment**

June 8- June 11, 2026

**REGISTER HERE NOW**

or scan the QR code

Kindergarten & Open Enrollment Now Open

**Kindergarten Enrollment Information**

We are thrilled to begin welcoming our newest Barons to the Buckeye Valley family! Kindergarten registration for the 2026-2027 school year is now open. Students who turn 5 by the first day of school in August of 2026 are eligible to enroll.

All Kindergarten registration forms can be completed through Final Forms [HERE](#). The online application, as well as all required documentation, Proof of Residency, Birth Certificate, and Court Documents, all need to be uploaded and signed within 10 days of starting the enrollment application.



Applications that still need to be completed or are received after **May 1, 2026**, will have delayed communication regarding important dates, student schedules, etc., as this information will not be available for late registrations until the Elementary Office opens in August. Please contact the BVLS Central Office at 740-369-8735 with questions.

#### **Open Enrollment Information**

Buckeye Valley Local Schools offers open enrollment to families who do not reside within the district boundaries. It is offered one time each year, and based on space and availability, families must apply yearly. The Open Enrollment Window for the 2026-27 school year is now open 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.

#### **51st Annual Pancake Day is March 7, 2026**

Get ready, Buckeye Valley! One of our favorite district traditions is back. Join us for the **51st Annual Pancake Day on Saturday, March 7, 2026**.

This community-wide event is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a delicious breakfast while supporting our students and programs. Whether you are a long-time resident or new to the district, we invite you to come out to the High School and be part of this 51-year tradition!

- **When:** Saturday, March 7, 2026, from 7 a.m. to Noon
- **Where:** Buckeye Valley High School (901 Coover Road, Delaware, OH 43015)

We can't wait to see the whole Baron community there!



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, 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.

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](mailto:cholewinski@mybvls.org)

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