



A weekly email update for the Conestoga Valley School District Community

April 30, 2026

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The Homestretch!

Tomorrow is the first day of May - which means we are entering the final month of the 2026-27 school year!

We know this is a busy time of year, so be sure to check out the complete district calendar online by clicking the button below.

[District Calendar](#)

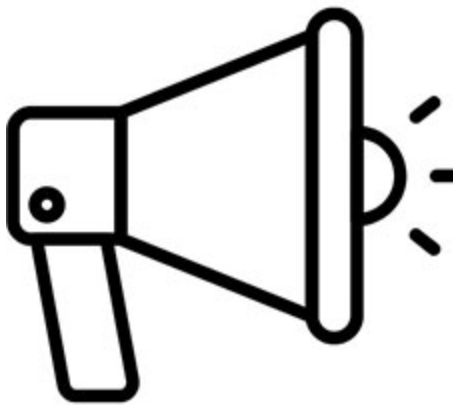


Photo of the Week

On Monday, the Conestoga Valley Education Foundation brought back its Surprise Patrol, surprising several of our spring grant recipients! Congratulations to all of our recipients! We are so excited to see these grants in action in our buildings.

Read about all of the grants by clicking the button below!

[2026 CVEF Spring Grants](#)



Pre-K to 8th Grade: Parent & Family Engagement Annual Evaluation Survey

Encuesta Anual de Evaluación de Participación de Padres y Familias (En Espanol)

Title I Family & Caregiver Survey - PK-8 Families

At CVSD, we are committed to providing the best possible education for your children. As part of our Title I program at our elementary and middle schools, we invite you to share your feedback through our annual Parent and Family Engagement Survey.

Your input is more than just a box to check—it directly influences how we use federal funds to support student learning, improve school-to-home communication, and plan family events. Groups of school stakeholders will analyze and review the results to improve our family programming for next year.

Complete the survey by clicking the button to the left.

The survey is brief, confidential, and available in multiple languages.

- **Deadline:** Please submit your responses by **Friday, May 15, 2026.**
- **Paper Copies:** Available in the front office of your child's school.
- **Note:** All responses are anonymous. We use the collective data to build a better district for every student.

Thank you for your time and for being an essential part of the Buckskin family!

Calling All Fritz Community Members!

Final Call for Donations



Come help us celebrate 50 years of memories at Fritz! ❤️❤️

Back in 1976, Fritz students and staff put together a time capsule with instructions for it to be opened in 50 years - that's this year!

We are now inviting all current and former Fritz students, staff, volunteers, etc., to help open the time capsule!

Date: May 22, 2026

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Where: Fritz Elementary, 845 Hornig Rd., Lancaster, PA 17601

RSVP below!



The GHMS annual Sidewalk Chalk contest is fast approaching and we need your support!

Ms. Stamm, the seventh grade art teacher at GHMS, is seeking prize donations for the event. Click the button below for more information and to sign up to provide a prize(s).

For the past 22 years, GHMS has proudly held an annual sidewalk chalk contest where students submit original drawings for a chance to see their artwork come to life using professional-grade chalk.

Events like this thrive not only because of our students and teachers, but also because of the generous support of our community.

Thank you in advance for your support!



Stay Up to Date on Commencement Events!



Commencement for the Class of 2026 is just six weeks away!

Mark Your Calendars!



<u>Leola Open House</u>		
SELF- GUIDED TOURS	May 6	DROP-IN EVENT
	5-6 p.m.	OPEN TO COMMUNITY
	11 School Dr.	

Renovations to Leola Elementary are nearing an end and we are excited to announce an Open House on **May 6 from 5-6 p.m.!**

The commencement page on the high school's webpage contains all the information students and families need regarding the ceremony, practices, etc. Click the button below to visit the commencement page.

[Commencement Page](#)

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The newly-renovated building, located at 11 School Drive, will be open for informal/self-guided tours. This event is a drop-in event that is open to the entire community.

And announced earlier this month - TJ's Ice Cream truck will be on site and a portion of all sales this evening will go to the Leola PTO! 🍦

We hope to see you there!

Come Test Drive a Bus

Yes, You Can Drive a School Bus



WHERE: CONESTOGA VALLEY SERVICE CENTER
160 Newport Road, Leola 17540

WHEN: Saturdays May 2, 9 and 16, 2026

TIME: 10 AM to 1 PM

Brightbill Transportation is holding several "Test Drive a Bus" days in May: **May 2, 9, and 16** from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Be sure to bring a valid PA driver's license. Instructors will be on hand to guide you through the process of driving a school bus.

These test drives are being held at CV's Service Center located at 160 Newport Rd., Leola, 17540.

SOSL is Hiring



SOS of Lancaster, which provides our district with our paras, custodians, food service workers, etc., is holding a Walk-In Tuesday event. Stop by the District Annex (2112 Horseshoe Rd.) on **May 5 between 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** to get more information, apply for a job, etc.

Openings include paraprofessionals, custodians, food service aides, and more!

[Get more information here.](#)

Community
BULLETIN BOARD

Conestoga Valley's [online bulletin board](#) is designed to assist community nonprofit groups in the CV area to communicate important information in an environmentally-friendly and cost-effective way. Throughout the school year, we'll highlight new announcements, registration information, and more in this newsletter.



Did you miss a week (or several) of the Buckskin Blast? Don't worry! Archives of this school year's newsletters can be found by clicking the button below!

[Click Here](#)

CV Cares



[CV Cares](#) is a decades-old program designed to recognize CV employees who have gone above and beyond to make our students, parents and guardians, and community members feel welcome and

supported. The recognition could be for a single extraordinary event or an ongoing pattern of positive interaction and support.

If you have had the opportunity to be on the receiving end of this type of engagement, take a moment to fill out the [online form](#) to recognize that special educator. Remember, an educator is anyone who has the opportunity to positively impact the life of a child. As such, an educator can be a bus driver, secretary, custodian, teacher, cafeteria worker, school counselor, administrator, or any other support or professional staff associated with CV.

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