



Genesee Valley Central School

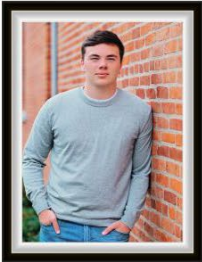
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CLASS OF 2026

Honor Graduates

Genesee Valley honor graduates have earned a cumulative high school average of 88 and above. Students will be recognized at graduation as graduating Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, or Summa Cum Laude.



Graham Bradt



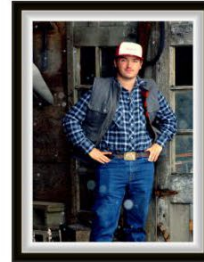
Tayla Brenna



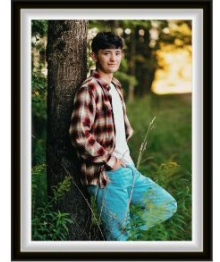
Cree Bulkley



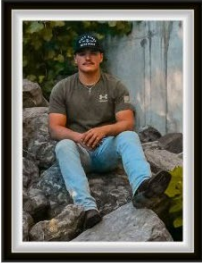
Logan Callahan



Cole Cochran



Ethan Davenport



Bryce Davis



Jacey Davis



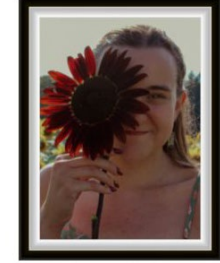
Mason Fanton



Ryker Holmes



Nolan Hunter



Meara Kelley



Ian Mackenzie



Christina McAuley



Tristan Metatos



Kenton Shultz



Larnden Tilton



Whitney Young

GRADUATION 2026

Genesee Valley Central School will hold its **30th Annual Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, June 27 at 11:00 a.m.** in the school auditorium. The Class of 2026 honor graduates will be recognized, and numerous scholarships and awards will be presented. The ceremony will be **live-streamed** on the school's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

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

www.genvalley.org

Annual School Budget Information

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **May 5, 2026** – Public Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Media Lab Room
- **May 5, 2026** – Budget copies available
- **May 5-14, 2026** – Voter Registration at Genesee Valley Central School Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Saturday by appointment only
- **May 19, 2026** – District Vote, 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ONE ELECTION DISTRICT:

- **Residents of Angelica and Belmont will vote at a single location:** Genesee Valley Central School at the Pool Vestibule (back entrance of the building). Unless you choose to vote early or by absentee ballot, this will be the only polling site available.

QUALIFICATIONS OF VOTERS:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Must be at least 18 years of age or older by May 19, 2026
- Must be a resident of the Genesee Valley Central School district for at least 30 days prior to the vote
- Must be registered with the Allegany County Board of Elections or with the Genesee Valley School District

NOTE: An application is required if you would like to vote by Absentee Ballot, Military Ballot or Early Mail Voting Ballot. Please contact Pam Winterhalter at (585) 268-7909 or pwinterhalter@genvalley.org.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT:

- A patient in a hospital or unable to vote due to illness or physical disability
- Out of town because of duties, occupation, business or studies
- On vacation outside of the county or city of residence
- Detained in jail
- Serving in the Military

ELIGIBILITY FOR MILITARY BALLOT:

- A qualified voter who will be absent from your school district on the day of the election as a result of actual military service
- A qualified voter who has been discharged from actual military service within 30 days of the election in which you seek to vote
- The spouse, parent, child or dependent of a military voter as set forth above who is accompanying such

military voter and who is qualified to vote in the same school district as the military voter

EARLY MAIL VOTING:

- A qualified voter may vote as an early mail voter
- Voters need not supply a reason why they cannot appear in person at the polls on election day
- Request for an early mail ballot: the early mail ballot application must be received by the district no earlier than the thirtieth day before election. If the early mail ballot is to be mailed to applicant, the application must be received no later than seven (7) days before the election

**** Absentee, Early Mail Voters, or Military Ballots are due by 5:00 p.m. on May 19, 2026 ****

Dear District Residents,

As I write this message it is mid-April with warm weather and April showers. Spring activities are in full swing including sports, concerts, and class field trips. Now that we are moving into the final weeks of school, I wanted to highlight a few things for members of our school community.

1. Our annual Budget Vote will be in the GVCS Pool Vestibule on May 19, 2026, from Noon to 8:00 p.m. We have created a balanced budget for the 2026-2027 school year focused on ensuring that we are continuing to meet the needs of our staff, students, and families. Our students benefit from the strong programming opportunities that we provide, including advanced coursework for college credit as well as a host of high-quality after-school clubs and activities. Thank you for supporting our students! We could not do what we do without your support.
2. The GVCS 2026-2027 school year calendar was recently adopted at a Board of Education Meeting and is available on our website to help our school community with planning for next year. Labor Day is late this year, September 7th. This presented a challenge as we worked on the calendar to ensure we had the right number of instructional days. The first full day of school for students will be Tuesday, September 1st.
3. The next school year is the 30th anniversary of GVCS. We hope that you will consider being part of our 30-year Celebration Committee. Additional information can be found in this issue of the Jag Newsletter if you are interested in helping us plan a year of events and activities to celebrate all that makes GVCS special.

I hope that you find the information in this newsletter helpful and informative. Please take a moment or two and talk to a student about what they are learning and how things are going for them at school.

Dr. Paige Kinnaird, Superintendent

Proposed 2026-2027 Budget & Vote

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2026-2027)

2026-2027 Genesee Valley Central School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2025-26 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2026-27 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2026-27 School Year *										
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$ 20,667,582	\$22,001,161	\$21,969,294										
Increase/Decrease for the 2026-27 School Year		\$1,333,579	\$1,301,712										
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		6.45%	6.30%										
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.63%											
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$3,186,671	\$3,218,538											
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$116,364	\$126,269											
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$0	\$0											
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$0	\$0											
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$3,303,035	\$3,344,807	\$3,303,035										
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$0	\$0											
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$3,251,140	\$3,313,726											
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)	\$3,186,671	\$3,218,538											
I. Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$64,469	\$95,188											
Administrative Component	\$1,477,917	\$1,372,465	\$1,370,574										
Program Component	\$14,397,795	\$14,965,939	\$15,039,868										
Capital Component	\$4,791,870	\$5,662,757	\$5,558,852										
<p>* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2026-27 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.</p> <p>Contingency Budget does not include equipment or Capital Outlay expenditures.</p>													
<p>** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Description</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Angelica & Belmont Public Libraries</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$126,269</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Description	Amount	Angelica & Belmont Public Libraries	\$126,269		\$		\$		\$
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*NOTE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICIALS: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: emscmgts@nysed.gov

Under the Budget Proposed
for the 2026-27 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹	\$ 361.00
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The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2026-27 by the qualified voters of the Genesee Valley School District, Allegany County, New York, will be held at Genesee Valley School in said district on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 12:00 pm prevailing time *OR* between the hours of 12:00 pm and 8:00 pm, prevailing time in the Genesee Valley School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

1. The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Proposed 2026-2027 Budget & Vote

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2026-2027)

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

2026-27 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>ADMIN.</u>	<u>2026-27 PROGRAM</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u>
<u>BOARD OF EDUCATION</u>					
Board of Education members receive no salary. Provides for travel, membership, supplies.	\$5,350	\$5,050	\$5,050		
<u>DISTRICT MEETING</u>					
Provides funds for the District Clerk, costs for school votes, legal notices, other expenses for the election process.	\$37,279	\$38,996	\$38,996		
<u>CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION</u>					
Compensation for the Superintendent, clerical staff, office supplies and travel are included here.	\$204,951	\$196,547	\$196,547		
<u>BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/AUDIT/TREASURER</u>					
Coordination for financial matters of the district. Includes costs for treasurer, auditors & BOCES services.	\$213,183	\$189,621	\$189,621		
<u>TAX COLLECTION/PURCHASING</u>					
Provides for collection of taxes and purchasing for district.	\$49,000	\$50,443	\$50,443		
<u>LEGAL & PERSONNEL</u>					
Provides legal counsel services district-wide as well as labor dispute settlement, and employee benefit coordination.	\$367,805	\$385,903		\$385,903	
<u>PUBLIC INFORMATION</u>					
Provides for publication of district newsletter of all buildings as well as utilities.	\$113,643	\$125,140	\$2,600	\$122,540	
<u>OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE</u>					
Provides for maintenance & operation	\$1,399,707	\$1,466,603			\$1,466,603
<u>CENTRAL SERVICES</u>					
Provides for mailing, copy and data processing services district-wide.	\$403,257	\$404,837	\$4,000	\$400,837	
<u>SPECIAL ITEMS</u>					
Includes insurance, BOCES administration, tax refunds, etc.	\$268,099	\$282,236	\$258,786	\$23,450	
<u>INSTRUCTIONAL ADMINISTRATION & CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT</u>					
Includes principals and their clerical staff. All includes curriculum development costs and supplies, test scoring, travel, etc.	\$432,179	\$309,285	\$263,625	\$45,660	
<u>INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF DEVELOP.</u>					
Provides funding for continued professional growth and improvement.	\$137,802	\$137,695		\$137,695	
<u>REGULAR TEACHING</u>					
Included in this area are salaries for teachers, aides, substitutes, equipment, supplies, textbooks and BOCES instructional costs.	\$3,957,532	\$3,896,158		\$3,896,158	
<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION</u>					
Provides for staff, supplies, textbooks, tuition and BOCES costs for special education programs.	\$2,653,970	\$3,122,414	\$64,206	\$3,058,208	
<u>OCCUPATIONAL/SPECIAL SCHOOLS</u>					
Includes occupational tuition at BOCES and summer school.	\$531,355	\$628,430		\$628,430	
<u>LIBRARY/AUDIO VISUAL</u>					
Includes salaries for librarian and assistant, books, AV supplies and equipment.	\$147,548	\$156,073		\$156,073	
<u>COMPUTER INSTRUCTION</u>					
Includes funds for technology coordinator and lab aides/assistants, hardware and software, and supplies.	\$538,928	\$530,993		\$530,993	
<u>GUIDANCE/ATTENDANCE</u>					
Provides school counselor services along with their clerical help, supplies and travel.	\$215,755	\$223,920		\$223,920	
<u>HEALTH SERVICES</u>					
Includes the salaries of the nurses and school doctor as well as costs of their offices.	\$132,578	\$137,774		\$137,774	
<u>PSYCHOLOGIST SERVICES</u>					
Includes the expenses for our school psychologist, supplies, travel, etc.	\$83,977	\$84,808		\$84,808	

Proposed 2026-2027 Budget & Vote

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2026-2027)

	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>ADMIN.</u>	<u>2026-27 PROGRAM</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u>
<u>SOCIAL WORK SERVICES</u>					
Includes expenses for our school social workers, supplies, travel, etc.	\$78,162	\$81,682		\$81,682	
<u>CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES</u>					
Includes costs for non-athletic student activities such as yearbook, musicals, student council, advisors, etc.	\$157,273	\$168,540		\$168,540	
<u>ATHLETICS</u>					
Includes coaching salaries, equipment, official's fees, supplies, etc.	\$240,630	\$274,449		\$274,449	
<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>					
Includes costs of transportation such as salaries, vehicle parts, insurance, bus garage utilities, rental, etc.	\$875,480	\$823,739	\$0	\$823,739	
<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u>					
Includes costs of retirement, social security and insurance for all employees.	\$4,333,308	\$4,391,044	298,591	3,785,080	307,373
<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>					
Principal and interest payments on all debt (building, buses, etc.) included here.	\$3,088,831	\$3,888,781			3,888,781
<u>INTERFUND TRANSFERS</u>					
Funding for Capital or Debt Reserve	\$0	\$0			
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	\$20,667,582	\$22,001,161	\$1,372,465	\$14,965,939	\$5,662,757
2025-26 TOTALS (for comparison)		\$1,333,579	\$1,477,917	\$14,397,795	\$4,791,870
INCREASE IN TOTAL BUDGET		6.45%	-7.14%	3.95%	18.17%
<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>			
<u>REAL PROPERTY TAX ITEMS</u>					
Includes the estimated tax levy and interest/penalties on taxes.	\$3,191,671	\$3,242,538			<i>Basic STAR Exemption Impact</i>
<u>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</u>					
Admissions, transportation for BOCES, preschool transportation and services.	\$1,203,316	\$1,056,000			<i>Budget Proposed for 2026-27</i>
<u>USE OF MONEY & PROPERTY</u>					<i>School Year</i>
Interest earnings, room rental to BOCES	\$93,000	\$88,000			<i>\$22,001,161</i>
<u>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</u>					
Refund of prior year's expenses, sale of excess items, miscellaneous items	\$339,227	\$216,000			<i>Basic STAR Tax Savings</i>
<u>STATE SOURCES</u>					<i>using 100% Equalization Rate</i>
NYS Aid	\$13,039,487	\$14,352,333			\$361.00
BOCES Aid, Tuition w/ DBL, Medicaid Reimbursement	\$1,578,000	\$1,815,000			
<u>INTERFUND TRANSFERS/FEDERAL SOURCES</u>					
Transfers from Debt Service, encumbrances, Federal sources, reserves, etc.	\$497,881	\$506,290			
<u>APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE</u>					
Portion of unreserved fund balance estimated to be available to reduce property taxes	\$725,000	\$725,000			
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$20,667,582	\$22,001,161			
INCREASE		6.45%			

Proposed 2026-2027 Budget & Vote

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2026-2027)

2026-27 Property Tax Report Card

020702 - Genesee Valley Central School		
Contact Person: Erin Ostrander	Budgeted 2025-26 (A)	Proposed Budget 2026-27 (B)
Telephone Number: (585)268-7900		
Total Budgeted Amount, not including Separate Propositions	20,667,582	22,001,161
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount ¹	3,186,671	3,218,538
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	116,364	126,269
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ²	0	0
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable	0	0
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	3,303,035	3,344,807
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	0	0
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions ³	3,251,140	3,313,726
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	3,186,671	3,218,538
I. Difference: (G - H); (negative value requires 60.0% voter approval) ²	64,469	95,188
Public School Enrollment	600	600
Consumer Price Index		2.63%

¹ Include any prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

² Tax levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion under the School Tax Levy Limit and may affect voter approval requirements.

³ For 2026-27, include any carryover from 2025-26 and exclude any tax levy for library debt or prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

	Actual 2025-26 (D)	Estimated 2026-27 (E)
Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance	4,342,911	4,103,467
Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance	725,000	725,000
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance	1,072,299	880,046
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget	5.19%	4.00%

Schedule of Reserve Funds

Reserve Type	Reserve Name	Reserve Description *	3/31/26 Actual Balance
Capital	Transportation Equipment Reserve	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	\$619,445
Capital	Capital Improvements Reserve	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	\$630,000
Repair	Repair Reserve	To pay the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment.	\$745,655
Workers' Compensation		To pay for Workers Compensation and benefits.	
Unemployment Insurance	Unemployment Insurance Reserve	To pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund.	\$86,330
Reserve for Tax Reduction		For the gradual use of the proceeds of the sale of school district real property.	
Mandatory Reserve for Debt Service	Reserve for Debt Services	To cover debt service payments on outstanding obligations (bonds, BANS) after the sale of district capital assets or improvements.	
Insurance		To pay liability, casualty, and other types of uninsured losses.	
Property Loss	Reserve for Property Loss	To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover property loss.	\$441,712
Liability		To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover liability claims incurred.	
Tax Certiorari		To establish a reserve fund for tax certiorari settlements	
Reserve for Insurance Recoveries		To account for unexpended proceeds of insurance recoveries at the fiscal year end.	
EBALR – Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	Reserve for Compensated Absences	For the payment of accrued 'employee benefits' due to employees upon termination of service.	\$605,357
Retirement Contribution	Reserve for Retirement Contribution	To fund employer retirement contributions to the State and Local Employees' Retirement System	\$754,234
Retirement Contribution	Reserve for Retirement Contribution	To fund employer retirement contributions to the Teachers' Retirement System	\$150,000
Other Reserve			

Proposed 2026-2027 Budget & Vote

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET PROPOSAL (2026-2027)

PROPOSED 2026-2027 BUDGET & VOTE

The annual vote of the qualified voters of the Genesee Valley Central School District, shall be held on **Tuesday, May 19, 2026** to vote upon the following items:

1. To elect three (3) members of the Board of Education currently held by incumbents Timothy Hand, Michelle Kelley and Jamie Willson. Board seats are “at-large,” meaning the three candidates that receive the three highest votes will fill the terms. The term of office for the three seats are five years, July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2031.
2. To adopt the following propositions:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 – 2026-2027 SCHOOL BUDGET

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

Shall the Board of Education of the Genesee Valley Central School District, Allegany County, New York be authorized to expend the sum not to exceed \$22,001,161 for the school purposes in the 2026-2027 school year and the levy the necessary tax for this purpose?

PROPOSITION NO. 2 – SCHOOL BUS PURCHASE / USE OF TRANSPORTATION RESERVE FUND

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Genesee Valley Central School District, Allegany County, New York (the “District”) is hereby authorized to purchase one (1) sixty (60) passenger school bus plus the ability to carry 2 wheelchairs, at an estimated maximum cost not to exceed (one hundred ninety thousand & 00/100) \$190,000.00 being the aforesaid maximum estimated cost, or so much thereof as may be necessary for use in the transportation program of the District, said funds shall be expended from the District’s Transportation Reserve Fund - 2014, as duly established on May 20, 2014, in accordance with applicable provisions of New York State Law.

PROPOSITION NO. 3 – ANGELICA AND BELMONT FREE LIBRARIES

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Genesee Valley Central School District, Allegany County, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to, and will, levy and collect taxes in the District in the fiscal year 2026-2027 in the amounts, respectively, of \$58,000 for the Angelica Free Library and \$68,269 for the Belmont Free Library to provide public library services, and pay over such funds to the Board of Trustees of each library, respectively.

PLEASE NOTE ONE ELECTION SITE:

BOTH Angelica & Belmont residents must vote at Genesee Valley Central School, pool vestibule (back of school building), 1 Jaguar Drive, Belmont, NY 14813

6/30/26 Estimated Ending Balance	Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2026-27 School Year
\$545,519	To purchase school bus.
\$730,000	Do not intend to use during the 2026-27 school year.
\$745,655	To pay for any unanticipated, emergency repairs to district facilities or equipment.
\$86,347	To help offset unemployment claims to NYS.
\$441,712	To pay for any unanticipated, non-recurring property losses that were not included in the regular operating budget.
\$650,000	To pay employees for accrued unused sick, personal, and vacation time upon termination of employment.
\$704,234	To help offset district expenses to the NYS & Local Retirement System.
\$200,000	To help offset district expenses to the NYS Teachers' Retirement System.

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For a GVCS staff listing, events calendar, details regarding community use of district facilities and other helpful information, please visit us online.

Character

WORDS OF THE MONTH

MAY

Citizenship

a legal status and relation between an individual and a state that entails specific legal rights and duties.

JUNE

Patience

the capacity to remain calm, tolerant, and self-possessed when facing delays, difficulties, frustration, or provocation without becoming annoyed or upset.

PARENTS OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENTS

As per School Board policy, parents of out-of-district students must request permission in writing for their child to attend Genesee Valley Central School every year. Letters of request to Genesee Valley Central School for the 2026-2027 school year must be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools no later than August 1, 2026. These requests will be reviewed from July 1 - September 15 each year.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Spring Concerts:

6:30 p.m. – Tuesday, May 12: Choir Grades 7-12 and Band Grades 9-12

6:30 p.m. – Thursday, May 14: Choir Grades 5-6 and Band Grades 6-8

Memorial Day Parades - Monday, May 25:

9:00 a.m. – Angelica

11:00 a.m. – Belmont

The Julia Deichmann Memorial

Flag Day March:

1:00 p.m. – Friday, June 12

Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony:

12:00 p.m. – Wednesday, June 17

Class of 2026 Graduation Ceremony:

11:00 a.m. – Saturday, June 27

PUBLIC NOTICES

FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION

The Annual Fire Safety Inspection Report for the 2025-26 school year is available for public review in the district office. Please contact the school if you have questions.

AHERA STATEMENT

In accordance with the 1986 Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) 29 CFR 763.84(c) the Genesee Valley CSD is required to annually post written notification of all known Asbestos within the school facilities.

The Genesee Valley CSD has NO Asbestos containing building material (ACBM) within any of its facilities as determined by certified personnel, architects and engineers. An official written copy of this statement can be viewed by calling the school at (585) 268-7900.



**GENESSEE VALLEY/BELFAST
SPRING SPORTS BANQUET
JUNE 17, 2026 6:00 P.M. @ GV**



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, May 19	School Vote **GVCS Pool Vestibule Only
Friday, May 22	SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day/SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday, June 16	Last day of Attendance for Grades 7-12
Friday, June 19	Juneteenth Holiday/SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday, June 22	Last Full day of Attendance for Grades PK-6/Bounce Houses
Tuesday, June 23	Students in Grades PK-6 dismissed at 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 24	Students in Grades PK-6 dismissed at 1:00 p.m./Last Day
Saturday, June 27	Graduation at 11:00 a.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES



JAMIE WILLSON

I am planning to seek reelection to the School Board, continuing a commitment to the students, families, and taxpayers of the community.

As a Certified Public Accountant and Director of Finance for Cimolai, I bring valuable financial expertise to board service while maintaining a strong connection to community priorities.

During the current term, I have worked to ensure careful stewardship of district resources while supporting policies that benefit students, staff, and families. This financial background has been especially valuable as school districts face increasing budgetary and operational challenges.

An active member of the community, I believe strong schools are built through open communication, careful planning, and shared responsibility. School Board service is approached with a focus on collaboration and keeping students at the center of every decision.

If reelected, I will continue working to strengthen schools while respecting the trust placed in the Board by local residents.

MICHELLE KELLEY

It is with great enthusiasm that I share my desire to seek reelection to the Genesee Valley School Board. A lifelong member of our district, I live in Angelica with my husband, Nick, and our two daughters, Lyla and Bristol, who proudly attend as elementary Jaguars.

I am currently completing a three-year term on the Board, during which I have served on several subcommittees including Safety & Security, Wellness, Policy, and Budget, Personnel & Negotiations. Throughout my term, I have gained valuable insight into the district's operations and have partnered in key decision making regarding the district's budget and school leadership. I have represented our Board as a voting delegate at the New York State School Boards Association's (NYSSBA) Annual Business Meeting and at Allegany Cattaraugus School Boards Association meetings. In these roles, I have advocated for rural schools by voting against unfunded state mandates and in favor of local control and local decision making.

I believe our school is the heart of our community. My goal is to make fiscally responsible decisions that support student success, empower our educators, and strengthen the partnership between our district and the community. If you value School Board members who listen, care, and consistently show up, I would be honored to earn your support again on May 19!



JEREMY MARSH

My name is Jeremy Marsh, and I am originally from Wellsville, NY. For the past 13 years, I have resided in Belmont, NY with my wife and children. I currently work as a transportation supervisor and mechanic at Belfast Central School. Prior to this role, I worked as a school bus driver for Genesee Valley Central School.

Three of my children currently attend GVCS, and I truly value the welcoming atmosphere that supports both their academic success and social development. As an active member of the community, I have contributed by helping with coaching local sporting teams and participating in various volunteer activities.

I would appreciate your consideration and support in the upcoming school vote. I would like the opportunity to be on the Genesee Valley Central School board so I can continue to have a positive influence towards our school and community.



Elementary "Mutt Madness"

The Genesee Valley Elementary Student Council hosted the "Mutt Madness" competition throughout the month of March. Over the course of three weeks, the elementary school collected donations for the local SPCA.

The contest was divided into three rounds: pet food, cleaning supplies, and toys. In round 1, all grade levels collected 1,728 pounds of pet food. In round 2, the five competing grades gathered 712 cleaning supplies. In the final round, the three remaining grade levels collected 686 toys or boxes of treats.

At the end of the competition, the winning grade level was first grade! As a reward, they received cat and dog shaped cookies along with keychains.

Throughout the contest, Elementary Student Council members worked hard to count, organize and move all of the donations. They also had the opportunity to deliver the large collection of items to the SPCA, where they enjoyed interacting with the animals.

We truly appreciate all the help and support we received throughout this event. A special thank you goes out to the custodial staff for helping move items, the transportation drivers for delivering them, Mrs. Edmister's class for making the cookies, the teachers for supporting the event, and all the generous families who donated.

All donations are sincerely appreciated by the Elementary Student Council, Genesee Valley Central School and the SPCA.



Members: Kendall, Riley, Gramm, Cooper, Ryan, Laryssa, Aisling, Savannah, Nolan



JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize Leah Burrows as our first female junior firefighter to graduate the program!

Leah is now taking her BEFO (Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations) classes as she works toward becoming a full-fledged member of the Angelica Fire Department.

Throughout her time in the program, Leah has demonstrated outstanding dedication, determination, and a true passion for serving her community. She is an incredible example to others, successfully balancing sports, school, and her commitment to the fire service.

We are proud of all she has accomplished and excited to see what the future holds. Congratulations, Leah!



The 2025-26 Archery Club had a fantastic year with 17 young archers qualifying for States which were held in Syracuse, NY on March 13. With 120 archers shooting at once, the venue can be overwhelming. The noise and the congestion of people is anxiety waiting to happen. With that in mind, we had 8 archers shoot their personal best on the big stage. What a feat to be accomplished by Jackie Hudson, Jacob Mechetti, Addison Hall, Brayden Graves, Ryan Graves, Kendall Pierce, Josh Mitchell, and Hunter Mitchell. Excellent work!

We had 3 archers qualify for Nationals, which will be held in Louisville, KY May 6-8. To qualify, archers needed to place in the Top 10 of their age and gender group. There were 600 archers from



all over NYS, so to be in the Top 10 is awesome. Braylen Heitman finished 3rd in the Boys HS division, winning a \$1000 scholarship that will be put away for college. Awesome!!! Jackie Hudson was 7th in the MS Girls Division, and Haley Snapp was THE BEST in the elementary girl's division—#1! (Just amazing!)

Wish these archers good luck if you run into them! They will be sent off with a celebratory walk through the halls of GV.

Thank you to the parents again for your support and for getting your archer to practice in the AM. Special thanks to the Kohlton Pierce family for donating the t-shirts for the kids—it is greatly appreciated!

The administration of Genesee Valley Central School announces the following students, grades 7-12, have been named to the Honor Rolls for the 3rd 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.

THIRD QUARTER HONOR ROLL LIST:

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL:

12th grade: Tayla Brenna, Logan Callahan, Ethan Davenport, Bryce Davis, Jacey Davis, Mason Fanton, Byron France, Joseph Frawley, Larry Geffers III, Ryker Holmes, Nolan Hunter, Amani Kaffan, Meara Kelley, D'Andre LaClair, Ian MacKenzie, Christina McAuley, Tristan Metatos, Xander Murray, Roy Osgood, Logan Rice, Cayleigh Shipman, Kenton Shultz, Lannden Tilton, Whitney Young

11th grade: Kylee Christensen, Tanner Herdman, Trent Hutchison, Addison Middaugh, Ollie Stevens, Maks Stocking, Kayla Wedge

10th grade: Ada Griffin, Jasmine Henriquez, Alayna McCullen, Paizlee Tilton, Mackenzie Turybury

9th grade: Boone Fanton, Gracyn Graham, Finn Hunter, Kylee Kear, Ainsley Marciano, Anthony Marra, Ella Schoonover, Madelynn Scott

8th grade: Allison Geffers, Killian Stocking, Tye Vargas-Frezza

7th grade: Jasper Fanton, Evan Kermott, Zachariah Lyon, Madyson Mahoney, Fiona Marble, Lillian Mountain, Karson Osterhout, Isabella Snapp, Attica Weinblatt

HIGH HONOR ROLL:

12th grade: Graham Bradt, Cole Cochran, McKenna Jefferds, Jade Sallazzo, Justine Willson

11th grade: Addison Bradt, Landyn Burrows, Roderich Clarke, Alivia Crossley, Derick Grantier, Bryan Kear, Zackery Mapes

10th grade: Regina Dougherty, Morgan Grooms, Leah Hutchison, Lena McNinch, Spencer Rambaran, Andra Shultz, Rowan Vossler

9th grade: Braedon Callahan, Elizabeth Grantier, Kymberli Perryman, Liviya Rice, Isabelle Waters

8th grade: Alaina Cleveland, Amelia Edmund, Corbin Norton, Jaxson Wyre, Braelyn Zwiefka

7th grade: Laci Dean, Brockten Fanton, Hadleigh Graham, Brayden Graves, Melody Johnson, Avery Jones, Olivia McCullen, Malia Scott, Blake Sheridan

HONOR ROLL:

12th grade: Cree Bulkley, Kasey Ganoung

11th grade: Hailee Allen, Ash Bauer, Riley Blarr, Caylin Brenna, Mya Clark, Damon Davis, Parker Davis, Elivia McIntyre, Dominick Miller, Ian Miller, Chilaleah Ormsby, Ruthlyn Patrick, Trenton Whitesell

10th grade: Arianna Anticola, Baylee Babbitt, Victor Baxter, Leah Burrows, Cierra Davenport, Ryley Frank, Dean Frawley, Ryan Jadwin, Enajah Koontz Gibbs, Brett Lewandowski, Gabriel Marble, Jacob Mechetti, Mackenzie Newman, Zachary Ryan

9th grade: Kori DeLude, Allie Marsh, Jocce Morton, Corbin Pease, Addyson Sekoll

8th grade: Harper Bell, Sawyer Brown, Audrey Clark, SusanMarie Dorrett, Avery Geoppner, Jackie Hudson, Braelynn Jordan, Nadia McEvoy, Abigail Montgomery Collins, Rae Scholes, Natalie White

7th grade: Alyx Allison, Brayden Besant, Grayson Burt, William Campbell, Serenity Easton, Alyssa McGaughey, Paul Mitchell

HONOR ROLL FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING BOCES:

HIGH HONOR ROLL:

12th Grade: Graham Bradt, Tayla Brenna, Logan Callahan, Ethan Davenport, Mason Fanton, Joseph Frawley, Nolan Hunter, Meara Kelley, D'Andre LaClair, Ian MacKenzie, Christina McAuley, Tristan Metatos, Logan Rice, Jasmine Rounds, Whitney Young

11th Grade: Landyn Burrows, Derick Grantier, Tanner Herdman, Trent Hutchison, Bryan Kear, Maks Stocking

HONOR ROLL:

12th Grade: Cree Bulkley, Cole Cochran, Bryce Davis, Kasey Ganoung, Larry Geffers, III, Jade Sallazzo, Cayleigh Shipman, Kenton Shultz, Justine Willson

11th Grade: Hailee Allen, Mya Clark, Damon Davis, Parker Davis, Elivia McIntyre, Dominick Miller, Ian Miller, Chilaleah Ormsby, Mason Thomas

Future Plans

Ayeron J. Bentley	UNOH - Heavy Equipment & Construction/Workforce
Graham A. Bradt	Alfred State College - Surveying & Geomatics Engineering
Tayla M. Brenna	Alfred State College - Graphic & Media Design
Cree T. Bulkley	Workforce
Logan T. Callahan	St. Bonaventure University - Business Administration
Cole C. Cochran	Workforce
Ethan J. Davenport	Alfred State College - Business Administration
Bryce D. Davis	Workforce - Law Enforcement
Jacey E. Davis	SUNY Niagara County Community College - Massage Therapy
Zachary M. Davis	Monroe Community College - Law Enforcement
Mason C. Fanton	University of Northwestern Ohio - Agricultural/Heavy Diesel Technologies
Joseph M. Frawley	Workforce - Culinary
Kasey D. Ganoung	Workforce
Larry D. Geffers III	Dutchess Community College - Aviation Maintenance
Brady W. Hamilton	Alfred State College - Computer Science/Cyber Security
Ryker A. Holmes	JCC+St. Bonaventure - History Education
Kaden M. Huffer	Alfred State College - Automotive Technology
Nolan R. Hunter	St. John Fisher - Pharmaceuticals
Izak J. Hutchison	Alfred State College - Carpentry/Construction
McKenna L. Jefferds	Equine Studies & Management - College/Workforce
Meara J. Kelley	Alfred State College - Nursing
D'Andre W. LaClair	Workforce
Raymond E. Lance III	Workforce - Police Academy
Ian R. MacKenzie	Workforce - Construction
Christina L. McAuley	Workforce
Abbygail N. Meigs	Monroe Community College - Nursing/Injection Therapy
Charlotte E. Mejia	University at Buffalo - Biology
Tristan D. Metatos	Alfred State College - HVAC
Rylee J. Ordway	Workforce - Hairdresser
Logan M. Rice	United States Air Force
Riley J. Rogers	Alfred University - Sports Health Sciences
Jade E. Sallazzo	Workforce
Cayleigh A. Shipman	Empire State University - Criminal Justice
Kenton E. Shultz	St. John Fisher - Neuroscience & Behavior
Lannden L. Tilton	Alfred State College - Business Administration
Justine E. Willson	Workforce - Culinary
Madolyn A. Young	Workforce - MTS
Whitney F. Young	Daemen University - Physicians Assistant

GENESSEE VALLEY ATHLETIC WALL OF FAME

Genesee Valley Central School is now accepting nominations for the Athletic Wall of Fame, which honors individuals or teams who have significantly contributed to the athletic programs of Angelica Central School, Belmont Central School, or Genesee Valley Central School.

To nominate a deserving individual or team, please complete the Wall of Fame Nomination Form by Tuesday, May 19.

For additional information, please contact Athletic Director Raegan Ryan at rryan@genvalley.org.



**ACCESS THE
NOMINATION
FORM HERE**



Spring Edition

By: Carolyn Wright

The spring season kicked off with a flash as GV FFA and Agriculture students prepared for the maple season. This year, the Natural and Physical Science class took the lead tapping and collecting sap. The class worked together to add another 3/16" gravity fed line into our system which brought our tap count to 70 (48 buckets and 22 taps on lines). GV agriculture students helped collect and process just under 500 gallons of sap this year. We were able to work with Brown's Sugar Shack to process our first batch of sap while we finished setting up the sugar shack at the school. All in all, we ended the season with about 6.5 gallons of syrup. The students tasted the finished product and voted on which sample of syrup to submit for the NY AG in the Classroom Maple Contest and are eagerly awaiting the results.

On March 21st, sixteen GVCSD FFA members competed at the Finger Lakes CDE Invitational at Penn Yan Academy. We had students compete in Agriculture Mechanics, Forestry, Maple, Veterinary Science, Food Science, and Tool ID. In the Agriculture Mechanics contest Mason Fanton placed

4th. In the maple contest Sawyer Brown placed 10th, Jaden Brown placed 5th, and Derick Grantier placed 1st overall. In the Tool ID contest Henry Ordway placed 9th and Killian Stocking placed 12th overall. I am very proud of the accomplishments and continuous improvement shown by GVCSD FFA members.

March came to a close with the NYS Agricultural Mechanics and Meat Evaluation Contests held at SUNY Cobleskill on March 26th. Eight GVCSD FFA members attended to compete. Derick Grantier, Mason Fanton, Victor Baxter, and Jaden Brown competed in Agricultural Mechanics and Addison Middaugh, Sarah Dorrett, Chilaleah Ormsby, and Regina Dougherty represented GV in the Meat Evaluation contest. Both teams saw incredible improvement from previous years with the Agricultural Mechanics team finishing 16th in the state and the Meat Evaluation team coached by Billy Murphy taking 5th place in the state with a 12th place individual finish by Addison Middaugh.

In May, twenty-three GVCSD FFA members will attend the NYS FFA Convention held in Buffalo, NY. They will compete in Food Science, Maple Production, Tool ID, Forestry, Veterinary Science, and Sr and Jr. Quiz Bowl. This year we also have the honor of 3 GVCSD FFA members meeting the qualifications for the NYS FFA Empire Degree. Mason Fanton, CayLeigh Shipman, and Addison Middaugh will be presented with this honor on Saturday May 16th.





NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION

Congratulations to Bryce Davis, Graham Bradt, and Meara Kelley on their induction into the National Technical Honor Society at the CTE Center at Belmont!

This honor recognizes their outstanding skill, leadership, and dedication within their career and technical education programs. Your hard work and commitment have truly paid off – well done!



GENESEE VALLEY STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Seven Genesee Valley Central School students were inducted into the National Honor Society at a ceremony held on March 20. The NHS recognizes students who demonstrate academic excellence and a commitment to scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

New members include (L-R) front row: Addison Middaugh, Addison Bradt, Alivia Crossley, Kayla Wedge; (L-R) back row: Ryker Holmes, Lannden Tilton and Kylee Christensen.

The ceremony featured a guest speaker — GVCS alum Michael Harrington, Class of 2016, who spoke on the topic of service. Michael currently serves his community as a patrolman for the Village of Bath Police Department.

Congratulations to our newest NHS members!

Examination Schedule: June 2026

Students must verify with their schools the exact times that they are to report for their State examinations.

June 9 Tuesday	June 10 Wednesday	June 17 Wednesday	June 18 Thursday	June 19 Friday	June 22 Monday	June 23 Tuesday	June 24 Wednesday	June 25 Thursday	June 26 Friday
7:45 A.M.	7:45 A.M.	7:45 A.M.	7:45 A.M.	Juneteenth Holiday Observed	7:45 A.M.	7:45 A.M.	7:45 A.M.	7:45 A.M.	RATING DAY
English Language Arts*	Algebra II*	Algebra I	Life Science: Biology Living Environment		Checkpoint B Spanish Exam	U.S. History & Government	Physical Setting/ Chemistry	Physical Setting/ Physics	
11:45 A.M.	11:45 A.M.	11:45 A.M.	11:45 A.M.		11:45 A.M.	Geometry			
Physical Science: Chemistry* (NYSPI2SLS)	Physical Science: Physics* (NYSPI2SLS)	Global History & Geography II	Earth and Space Sciences Physical Setting/Earth Science						



GV Drama Club Presents: A Wonderful Journey to Oz

What an incredible run of *The Wizard of Oz*! Our students brought energy, heart, and dedication to every rehearsal and performance, culminating in a truly memorable production for our school community. From the vibrant sets and creative costumes to the outstanding performances on stage and the tireless work behind the scenes, this show was a celebration of collaboration and talent.

We are especially proud to share that this year's production was recognized with several Meritorious Achievement Awards—honors that highlight strong, high-quality work that stands out among non-professional productions:

- **Meritorious Achievement in Performance and Movement** – Awarded to the Cast for their expressive acting, choreography, and stage presence
- **Meritorious Achievement in Overall Production Value** – Donna Slawson, Nathan Slawson, Mandy Tawil, Caleb Durant, and Ryan McMurray for the cohesive vision and execution of the entire production
- **Meritorious Achievement in Costume Design** – Erin

Graham, Mandy Tawil, and Donna Slawson for creative and well-executed costuming that enhanced character and storytelling

- **Meritorious Achievement in Scenic Design** – Theatre Production and Exploration Class, Advanced MakerSpace, and Design for Entertainment for their innovative and collaborative set design work

These recognitions reflect not only talent, but also the countless hours of effort, creativity, and teamwork invested by our students and staff.

This production would not have been possible without the commitment of our cast, crew, pit, and production team, along with the continued support of families, volunteers, and our school community. Strike day was a powerful reminder that theater is a full-circle experience—our students showed just as much pride in taking it all down as they did in putting it together.

Thank you to everyone who played a role in making this journey to Oz such a success. We are so proud of all that was accomplished and look forward to what's ahead for GV Drama!



High School Youth & Government Conference Albany, NY

From **March 12–14**, Genesee Valley's High School Youth and Government students traveled to Albany to participate in the annual conference held at the New York State Capitol. This experience provided students with an authentic opportunity to engage in the legislative process in the very setting where state laws are created.

In preparation for the conference, students researched, drafted, and submitted two pieces of mock legislation. Both bills were formally presented and debated within the Capitol building, offering students firsthand experience in public speaking, collaboration, and civic engagement. Notably, one of our bills was vetoed by the Youth Governor and selected for the **Veto Override process**, giving our students valuable insight into an additional and often overlooked aspect of how government functions.

In addition to their legislative work, two of our students explored the Judicial Program and are eager to return next year as Genesee Valley's first student attorneys—an exciting expansion of our program.

We are especially proud to recognize **Morgan Grooms**, who was honored as an **Outstanding Delegate**, and **Addison Bradt**, who was selected—for the second consecutive year—to attend the prestigious **Conference on National Affairs (CONA)**.

This year's conference also marked the **90th anniversary of the High School Youth and Government program**, making the experience even more meaningful for all who attended.

As always, our students represented Genesee Valley with professionalism, leadership, and integrity. We are incredibly proud of the way they served both our school community and New York State.



WE HAVE EXTENDED THE DEADLINE!

We're forming a committee to plan our 30th Anniversary celebration throughout the 2026-2027 school year, and we'd love to involve community members, families, alumni, and staff. Please consider joining us.

If you're interested in being part of the committee, please complete the interest form by May 15. You can scan the QR code to fill it out online.



Lead Testing



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- Lead testing is an important part of preventive care in your child's early years. Lead exposure can harm a child's growth, behavior, and ability to learn.
- Healthcare providers should complete a blood lead test for Children at age 1 year and again at age 2 years, as well as additional testing for children at risk of lead exposure.
- Testing is especially important if your family moves into a home built before 1978 or completes a renovation project.
- There is no safe level of lead in the body, routine testing helps detect exposure early and protect your child's health and development.

Let us know if you are interested in having your child(ren) screened for lead poisoning, or if you are pregnant and would like a screening.



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Lynn Manning Memorial Scholarship GOLF TOURNAMENT





JULY 10
 FRIDAY | 2026
 Registration 8:00AM
 9:00AM Tee Off

Wellsville Country Club

for more info
www.genvalley.org

\$500
 Foursome

Scramble Format Includes golf, cart, and lunch & dinner provided

Course Games
 Basket Raffles
 50/50 Raffle

WELLSVILLE COUNTRY CLUB
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 WELLSVILLE, NY 14895

Allegany County Department of Health
 7 Court Street
 Belmont NY, 14813
 585.268.9250

Public Health

Summer Immunizations

for the 2026-2027 School Year



Upcoming Dates:

- June 23rd
- June 30th
- July 7th
- July 14th
- July 21st
- August 4th
- August 11th
- August 18th

Clinics will be held at the Allegany County Office Building in Belmont, NY

A healthy school year starts here. To get your kids ready for next school year, make sure they are up-to-date on their physicals and required immunizations. This is especially important if your child is starting Pre-K, Kindergarten, 6th, 7th or 12th grade. We now also provide physicals for schools, work, and sports by appointment for a \$60 fee.

For questions about whether your child has the required immunizations or needs a physical, please check with your child's healthcare provider.

You may call us at 585-268-9250 and press 3 for the Clinic to schedule an appointment.

Happy Retirement!



Linda Warner

Linda Warner was encouraged to apply for a study hall monitor position at Angelica Central School in 1985 — and is now retiring after a 41-year career in the district.

Over four decades, Linda wore many hats: study hall monitor, teacher aide, bus driver, special education aide, office help, and 1:1 aide to a student she describes as life-changing. For the past 12 years, she has served as the school's receptionist, welcoming students, staff, and visitors through the front doors each morning.

"I have loved being the keeper of the phones, doors, and front entrance," Linda said. "If you love what you do, it does not feel like work — and I can honestly say, it has not."

In retirement, Linda looks forward to spending more time with her husband and family.

Chris Horton

After over 34 years, Chris Horton is closing a chapter that has taken him through some of the most significant changes in the district's history — including the merger of Angelica and Belmont, the addition of new sports and curriculum, and the growth of extracurricular programming.

Through it all, Chris says the students have remained at the center of it all. He is grateful to the district for giving him the flexibility to be present for his own children during their school years.

"Nothing has been more important than the students," Chris said. "Each year brought a new class — watching them grow, mature, and graduate has been the greatest reward."

In retirement, Chris plans to spend time in woodcraft and aviation, on his own schedule.



Paula Roberts

Paula Roberts began her career in 1994 as a substitute teacher at Angelica Central School. Over 30 years later, she is retiring from Genesee Valley Central School as an administrator — a journey she describes as both humbling and deeply meaningful.

Throughout her career, Paula has remained committed to serving her home district and community. She is quick to credit the teachers, staff, administration, parents, and students who make Genesee Valley what it is.

"Genesee Valley has the best students around," Paula said. "It's this team approach to education that makes it such an awesome school — I appreciate being a part of it."

Darla Babbitt

Darla Babbitt started kindergarten at Belmont Central School in 1968, graduated from there in 1981, and later watched all three of her children follow the same path — starting at Belmont and graduating from GVCS.

Darla began substituting at the school in 1996 and was hired permanently as a teacher aide in September 1997. Over nearly 30 years, she worked primarily with students in grades PK–5, building relationships across generations of families in the district.

"I'm looking forward to retirement," Darla said, "and spending time with my husband, children, and 8 grandchildren, ages 2-16!"



MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Character Word of the Month: Citizenship	Please Note - Sports Schedules will be on GV Website					SAT Test
					1	2
3	4	5:30 p.m. - Board of Education Budget Hearing & Regular Meeting, Room 1121	6	7	NYSSMA Solo Festival at Fillmore End of 4th Mid-Quarter Grades 6-12	NYSSMA Solo Festival at Fillmore
10	11	Spring Concert: 6:30 p.m. - Choir Grades 7-12 and Band Grades 9-12	13	Spring Concert: 6:30 p.m. Choir Grades 5-6 Band Grades 6-8	Progress reports mailed home Grades 5 & 6 Springville Jazz Band Festival, 8:00-3:00 p.m.	Springville Concert / Marching Band Festival
17	18	12:00-8:00 p.m. - Annual District Vote, ALL GVCS District residents vote at GV Pool Vestibule	20	21	Schedule Change: NO SCHOOL Building Closed	23
24	MEMORIAL DAY School Building Closed 9:00 a.m. - Angelica Parade 1:00 p.m. - Belmont Parade	Accept Vote Results	22	29		30
31		25	26	27	28	30

JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Character Word of the Month: Patience	Fine Arts Banquet - 6:00 p.m.					SAT Test
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Please Note - Sports Schedules will be on GV Website		Regents Exams 5:30 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting, Room 1121	Regents Exams		1:00 p.m. - The Julia Deichmann Memorial Flag Day March	ACT Test
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	End of 4th Marking Period Grades 5-12 End of 3rd Marking Period Grades K-4 Last Day for students in Grades 7-12	Regents Exams 12:00 p.m. - Kindergarten Graduation	Regents Exams	JUNETEENTH School Building Closed	20
21	Regents Rating Day Last Full Day for students in Grades PK 3-6	Regents Exams 5:30 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting, Room 1121 1:00 p.m. Dismissal for Grades PK 3-6	Regents Exams 1:00 p.m. Dismissal for Grades PK 3-6	Regents Exams		Regents Exams/ Rating Day Last day for staff Senior Class Lunch & Graduation Practice 10:30 a.m. - HS Concert Band Rehearsal for Grad.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
28	29	30			July Reminder: ACT Test - July 11, 2026	

Genesee Valley Central School

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Central Administration:

Dr. Paige Kinnaird, Superintendent
Erin Ostrander, School Business Official
Sara Donlon, 7-12 Principal
Sarah Taylor, PK-6 Principal
Adreanna Wight, CSE/CPSE Chairperson
Paula Roberts, Dean of Students
and Curriculum Coordinator

Board of Education:

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Timothy Hand
Michelle Kelley
Jamie Willson
Shawn Grusendorf
James Cartwright
Rylee Ordway, Student Rep

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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 member, staff member, taxpayer of the Genesee Valley community, or have a student attending GVCS.
- All applicants are required to complete a training session prior to receiving their membership, please contact Tory Rounds for more information – (585) 268-7900.
- Students attending GV and individuals under the age of 18 may not use the fitness center without adult supervision.
- Members are responsible for ensuring equipment is cleaned after each use by wiping it down. GV provides sanitary wipes for this purpose.
- For more rules, please refer to the list at the Fitness Center.

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.

SUNSCREEN AT SCHOOL!
Keeping Kids Safe & Sun Smart!

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION LAW SAYS:
Students are allowed to carry and use topical sunscreen products that are **approved by the FDA** at school with written permission from a parent or guardian.

NEED A LITTLE HELP?
Students who are unable to apply sunscreen themselves may receive assistance from **unlicensed school personnel**, but only if:
• The parent or guardian has **given permission**, and
• The school has **authorized** the assistance.

Reference:
Article 19, Section 907
Use of Sunscreen