

The Pleasant Valley Pride



A District-Wide Update from the Superintendent's Office

Dear Pleasant Valley Community, Families, and Staff,

As we head into the final weeks of the 2025–2026 school year, our buildings are absolutely buzzing with energy, achievement, and celebration. From academic milestones and history-making musical triumphs to memorable field trips and preparation for commencement, our students and staff continue to showcase what it truly means to be "PV Proud".

This newsletter brings you a brief look at the wonderful highlights from across our entire district as detailed in our May building reports. Thank you for your unwavering partnership and support throughout this incredible year!

Pleasant Valley Elementary School (PVE)

- **Key Celebrations & Milestones:** A big congratulations to our April Students of the Month: Henry Mackes (Kindergarten), Aneta Gentles (1st Grade), and Harper Gilbert (2nd Grade)! We also celebrate our April Staff Members of the Month: Amanda DeSerio (Support Staff) and Katie Jarrow (Professional Staff).
- **Spring Traditions:** PVE successfully hosted Pre-K Tours on May 1st and the "Ready Set Learn" event on May 5th to welcome future bear cubs. Kindergarteners also touched hearts with their adorable "Thank You for Helping Me Grow" musical performances.
- **Enriching Field Trips:** Students explored fantastic venues this month! Kindergarten traveled to Klein Dairy Farms , 1st grade visited the Lehigh Valley Zoo , 2nd grade discovered geological wonders at the Lost River Caverns , and our Life Skills classroom enjoyed an immersive day of pretend play at ImagiNation.
- **Looking Ahead:** We look forward to the Class of 2026 Grad Walk through the halls on May 27th , Reflex Math Fluency parties , and gearing up for our upcoming Cub Summer Academy. Note that the last day of school is **June 4th**.

Pleasant Valley Intermediate School (PVI)

- **Major Milestone (Official PBIS Status):** PVI is officially an approved PBIS school, successfully establishing a foundational Tier I level of core rules, positive rewards, and proactive behavioral teaching building-wide.
- **Attendance Champions:** We continue tracking ambitious attendance goals. For the month of April, Grade 3 took the crown with a 94.96% attendance rate! Kudos to the top classrooms of Ms. Secara, Mrs. Lukashewski, and Mrs. Ammermann.
- **Student Recognition:** Congratulations to the May Grade Level Students of the Month who will be honored at a breakfast on May 28th: Amelia Dunnigan (Grade 3), Anna Hagerty (Grade 4), and Makenna Farmer (Grade 5).
- **Academic & Cultural Events:** Our gifted and talented students will participate in the unique Fairy Tale Mock Trials at the Monroe County Courthouse on May 22nd. We also

celebrate the successful conclusion of the PSSA testing blocks and beautiful Spring music concerts.

Pleasant Valley Middle School (PVMS)

- **Academic Pride (98% PSSA Attendance Rate):** Our middle school students truly rose to the occasion during the PSSA season, achieving a stellar 98% attendance rate due to their ultimate commitment to arriving on time, staying focused, and keeping devices charged. Excellent work!
- **Club and Academic Success:** The PVMS library hosted its first Chess Club Competition, crowning Victor Chheng as the 1st place winner. Additionally, our Ecology Club, the Sandy Loamers, secured the absolute highest score in the Ponds section at the Monroe County Jr. Envirothon!
- **Student Honors:** Hats off to our outstanding Students of the Month: Kaden Van Note (6th Grade), Katie Rivera (7th Grade), and Ella Bruckman (8th Grade).
- **8th Grade Transitions:** 8th graders enjoyed a magical "An Evening Under the Stars" semi-formal dance on May 8th. The 8th Grade Move Up Ceremony is scheduled for Friday, May 22nd, as they prepare to transition to high school.

Pleasant Valley High School (PVHS)

- **History-Making Music Performance:** The PV High School Concert Band scored an incredible 95.5 at the Hershey Festival—the highest score ever achieved in PV history! Both the Concert and Jazz bands took home 1st Place and superior ratings.
- **Career & College Readiness:** Students participated in valuable enrichment trips, including Junior Jumpstart, Career Exploration Day at NCC Pocono Campus, and St. Luke's Immersive Health Day for future medical professionals. On May 1st, we proudly celebrated over 35 seniors on Decision Day as they committed to colleges, trades, or the military.
- **Commencement & Senior Events:** Seniors enjoyed a wonderful Prom at Penn's Peak on May 16th and the Triple A Awards on May 19th. The district-wide Graduation Walk takes place on May 27th, culminating in the formal Graduation Ceremony on Friday, May 29th.

Pleasant Valley Bears Academy (PVBA)

- **AP Testing Hub:** Throughout the past month, the PVBA Flex Room successfully transformed into a hub of academic excellence, hosting proctored AP Testing for our entire student body. We are proud to support both our brick-and-mortar and cyber students as they reach for their highest goals.
- **Student of the Semester:** The excitement is building for the upcoming PVBA Students of the Semester Breakfast, set to take place in the Flex Room on May 22nd to celebrate the extraordinary achievements of our honorees alongside their families.
- **Focus on Graduation:** The PVBA staff remains relentlessly focused on student success, providing personalized guidance and clear expectations to ensure every academy senior

crosses the finish line and is fully prepared to step into their future at graduation on May 29th.

With proud and warm regards,

Dr. James Konrad

Superintendent

Pleasant Valley School District

Upcoming Events:

Date	School Building	Event / Activity
May 22	PVM	8th Grade Move Up Ceremony
May 26	PVI / PVH	Grade 5 Dodgeball Tournament & High School Top Ten Dinner
May 27	All Buildings	District-Wide Senior Grad Walk
May 28	PVH	High School Senior Sunset
May 29	All Buildings	Half Day dismissal for all students / Class of 2026 Graduation Ceremony
June 4	All Buildings	Last Day of School for Students (Half-day dismissal)
June 8	All Buildings	Last Day for 10 Month Staff
June 10	PVI	PV Summer Cub Academy Begins (K-6)