



A weekly email update for the Conestoga Valley School District Community

September 24, 2026



October Calendar

This time next week it will be the first day of October! To the left are some important dates to mark down on your calendars and the complete district calendar can be found by clicking the button below.

[District Calendar](#)



Conference Video

Photo of the Week

Last Friday, CV held its second-annual Common Ground Conference, a professional development opportunity for all our teachers. The conference celebrates our district's commitment to inclusive, responsive, and future-ready education in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Department of Education's (PDE) Common Ground Framework.

This year, the conference kicked off with a panel featuring Conestoga Valley parents Ozodkhon Marahimova, Andres Naranjo Ulla, and Inalvis Duran Matos. Grounded in PDE's Cultural Awareness Competencies, this session brought community voices directly into our staff space to discuss unique cultural backgrounds and experiences, educational hopes, and meaningful family partnerships.

Check out a short video recap of the day by clicking the button to the left.

You're Invited!

CV is hosting a community forum on October 6, 2026. You're invited to attend a (free) screening of the documentary *Multiple Choice*, followed by a community conversation. This film challenges the traditional "college-for-all" mindset and highlights how career-based learning prepares students for life.

The [documentary's official website](#) provides additional information on the film.

The event is open to anyone in the CV community. We hope to see you there!

Message From Food Services



Don't forget that **families can reapply for free/reduced meal status any time throughout the school year!** If you believe your school-aged child(ren) may qualify for free or reduced-price meals this school year and have not yet submitted the application to the school, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible.

[Get more information on our website.](#)

In addition, **the 30-day grace period ends Oct. 2, 2026.** This grace period allows students who qualified for free or reduced price meals the previous school year to (temporarily) keep receiving those benefits for the first 30 days of the following school year, but you must reapply to continue receiving those benefits for the remainder of this school year.

CV's Student Artists



We're a little over one month into the new school year and we've already some truly impressive art produced by our students across all grade levels.

September Art Department Report

Visit Oregon Dairy Next Month!

Mark Those Calendars!

Free Learning Activity at Oregon Dairy, October 8-14th.



Brownstown Elementary Kindergarten classes have partnered with Oregon Dairy to put together a Letter Hunt for children in the community. Our kindergarten students hid alphabet pictures throughout the store for other children to find. Be sure to stop in at the service desk before you begin so that you can get a recording sheet for your child. When you are finished, return to the service desk for a prize. This activity will take place, October 8th – 14th. ...and it is free!

The Oregon Dairy has other fun things happening that weekend as well!

We hope you will come out to Oregon Dairy Supermarket and enjoy this learning opportunity with your child!



The [Buckskin Activities Alliance's](#) (BAA) annual Makers Market & Vendor Fair is slated for Saturday, Nov. 7, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at CVHS.

Interested in being a vendor at the event? The cost is \$55 per vendor space. To make registration easier, applications can be completed online by clicking the button below. Vendor space will be confirmed once the application and payment are received.

This marks one of the BAA's biggest fundraisers of the year, so don't miss out as either a vendor or a visitor!

[Vendor Application](#)

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



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!

[Archived Issues](#)

CV Cares

more in this area of the newsletter.

CV Youth Boys Lacrosse is holding a [free clinic on Oct. 19](#).



[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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