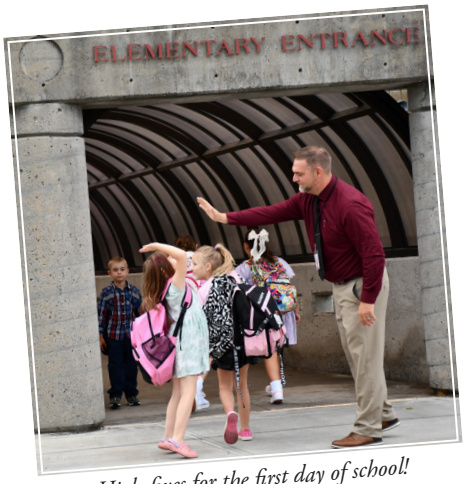
STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fall 2026

Culture of Excellence

STARTING THE YEAR WITH STOCKBRIDGE SCHOOL SPIRIT!



High-fives for the first day of school!



All smiles during recess!



Homecoming Bonfire!







Fun and excitement during the Pep Rally!





The Boys and Girls Soccer teams both celebrate winning the Golden Cup during Soccer Under the Lights!

Our Mission

Culture of Excellence: Empower ALL students through exemplary educational experiences to safely learn and grow.

Our Vision

SVCS is student-centered, where ALL children, staff and the community are valued, acknowledged and actively involved.

7-12 PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Stockbridge Valley Parents and Community,



As we begin another academic year, I want to take this opportunity to not only highlight the amazing things we have accomplished, but also to allow us to be open to new opportunities. Whether it is taking a new class, trying out for a new sport, or attending a school club, these opportunities may open a new adventure for you. This year, we continue fostering a safe, inclusive, and engaged learning environment where all can have success!

Here at SVCS, we continue to host many events. Our Drama Club Musical "Annie" will be held on November 13 and 14, while our PTSO Bazaar is scheduled for November 21. In addition to these wonderful events, we continue to host many athletic events as well. I encourage you to continue to stay involved, volunteer, and participate in our school activities. As our community continues to support one another, we provide opportunities to build a bright future for everyone.

As I reflect on the first few weeks of school, I encourage you to be part of your child's academic journey. Our goal is to give every student the tools, environment and guidance that they need to succeed. Academic progress and check-ins were recently mailed out. We encourage you to review these with your child, celebrate the accomplishments and identify areas of growth. It's important for students to take that responsibility and attend academic support during after school hours. Being a strong advocate for themselves and their learning is an essential part of the process.

Warm regards,

Dan Tucker
7-12 Principal

STOCKBRIDGE VALLEY WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBERS!



Karly Evans
7-12 Agriculture Science/ Technology Teacher



Chastity Norton
Food Service Helper



Stephen Russell
Music Teacher



Alexandra Weaver
Teacher Assistant



Taylor McNamara
Long-Term Ag Science Teacher

K-6 PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear SVCS Elementary Families,



It's hard to believe we are already well into October! The first few weeks of school have flown by, and I'm thrilled to report that the school year is off to a fantastic start. Our classrooms are full of energy, enthusiasm, and a strong sense of purpose. It has been a privilege to serve the community as the Elementary Principal and Director of Special Education. I look forward to focusing on helping our students as the continued Director role in both Stockbridge and Madison. As we move towards this transition, please reach out to me with any questions you may have!

Fire Safety Education
This month, we were also thrilled to welcome the Munnsville Fire Department for our annual Fire Safety presentations. Firefighters visited with each grade level to provide important lessons about fire prevention and safety. Students got to:

- See what a firefighter looks and sounds like in full gear
- Practice "Stop, Drop, and Roll"
- Learn about the safe use of lithium batteries
- Tour the fire trucks and explore the equipment
- And yes — even use a real fire hose!

These engaging sessions are always a highlight of October and serve as a powerful reminder of how we can all stay safe in emergency situations. We thank our local heroes for taking the time to teach and inspire our students!

Upcoming Events
Mark your calendars for two exciting events coming soon:

Halloween Parade
Friday, October 30 at 1:15 PM

Families are welcome to join us outside or inside the hallways, weather permitting as our students parade in their costumes. It's always a fun and festive way to celebrate together! We will make the decision as to whether the parade will be inside or outside the day before and post it on ParentSquare so you can plan accordingly.

Veterans Day Breakfast
Monday, November 9 at 9:00 AM



We invite all veterans in our community to join us for a special breakfast and celebration in their honor. If you or a family member is a veteran and would like to attend, please contact the SVCS Elementary Office to RSVP.

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership. SVCS Elementary is a place where students feel safe, valued, and challenged — and we couldn't do it without our amazing school community. Let's keep the momentum going into the rest of fall!

Warmly,

Julie Suber
K-6 Principal





Dear Stockbridge Valley Families,

At Stockbridge Valley, our ultimate goal is to see every student who walks through our doors grow into a confident, capable individual ready to leave their unique pawprint on the world. As the landscape of higher education, technical careers, and civic life evolves, the way we prepare our students must evolve with it.

To meet these changing needs, the New York State Education Department (NYSED) has introduced a transformative educational framework: **the New York State Portrait of a Graduate**.

What is the "Portrait of a Graduate"?

The Portrait of a Graduate shifts our focus beyond traditional metrics alone. It outlines six core attributes, skills, and mindsets that a student must develop by the time they graduate. This framework ensures that a Stockbridge Valley diploma represents a well-rounded, resilient individual prepared for modern life.

Every Stockbridge Valley Graduate will be nurtured to become a(n):

1. **Academically Prepared Learner** — Grounded firmly in core learning standards.
2. **Creative Innovator** — Able to think flexibly and build solutions to unexpected problems.
3. **Critical Thinker** — Equipped to analyze information, evaluate evidence, and make logical connections.
4. **Effective Communicator** — Skilled at sharing ideas confidently across speech, writing, and digital media.
5. **Global Citizen** — Dedicated to acting ethically, responsibly, and with community pride.
6. **Reflective & Future-Focused Individual** — Focused on personal goal-setting and long-term mental and emotional well-being.

What Does This Mean for Your Child Right Now?

We want to reassure our community that **current graduation and credit requirements remain exactly the same for this school year**.

New York State is rolling this framework out in careful phases over the next several years, with full implementation and transcript integration arriving closer to the end of the decade. Right now, Stockbridge Valley is in the **awareness and reflection phase**. Our focus is on evaluating our current programs, training our faculty, and beginning meaningful conversations with our Cougar families.

You will gradually start to see these six themes integrated into classroom projects, student self-reflections, and community events. We will also be seeking your vital input as stakeholders in the near future to ensure our local implementation stays true to the values of Munnsville and our surrounding communities.

Learn More & Stay Connected

Please find below a reference sheet highlighting the six core areas of the New York State Portrait of a Graduate. We encourage you to review it and talk with your children about how they see these traits in themselves.

Thank you for your continued partnership, trust, and shared commitment to excellence. Together, we are building a bright, successful future for every single Stockbridge Valley Cougar.



NHS Thanksgiving Food Drive

Dear SVCS Family,

We hope that this letter finds you in good health and spirits! As the holiday season approaches, we are announcing that our annual food drive to support the First Congregational Church of Munnsville will begin on Monday, November 2nd, and end on Tuesday, November 17th.

NHS members and 'Inductees' will stop by your student's classroom daily to collect donations.

Please keep the following in mind when sending donations in with your students:

- **Donations are to be non-perishable, as there is no cold storage here at school or at the Church.**
- **The Food Pantry does not accept items in glass containers.**
- **It is important to check expiration dates, as expired donations are discarded.**

In this season of gratitude and giving, we greatly appreciate the overwhelming dedication that our SVCS Family continues to show in supporting our local families.

Best wishes this holiday season!

Students of the SVCS Chapter of the National Honor Society

Stockbridge Valley Drama Club proudly presents



November 13th and 14th, 2026 - 7:00pm
Charles E. Stratton Auditorium

Tickets can be purchased online at
https://our.show/svcsdrama
or scan the QR Code

SVCS AG PROGRAM & FFA CHAPTER OFF TO AN EXCITING START!

The SVCS Agriculture Program and FFA chapter had a busy and exciting start to the school year!



Stockbridge Valley FFA Fall Harvest Fundraiser

The Stockbridge Valley FFA chapter recently held its annual Fall Harvest fundraiser, offering locally grown mums and a variety of apples to our school community. Students played an important role in preparing for the fundraiser, including organizing and handling mums, assisting with orders, and preparing products for customer pickup.

This fundraiser provides students with valuable hands-on experience in horticulture, agricultural business, teamwork, and customer service. It also allows our FFA members to connect with the community while supporting agricultural education and future chapter activities.



Agricultural Education in Action – Pheasant Education

Another exciting highlight has been our students' involvement in agricultural education and community outreach. Stockbridge Valley Wildlife students recently participated in Ag Day at SUNY Morrisville, an event that welcomed approximately 400 second-grade students from surrounding school districts.

Our students hosted an interactive pheasant education station, teaching younger students about ring-necked pheasants, their characteristics, and wild bird feather identification. This opportunity allowed our students to take on leadership roles, practice public speaking, and share their agricultural knowledge with younger generations.

Our FFA chapter also participated in a healthy snacks station led by FFA member McKenzie Davis. Students learned about healthy food choices while creating their own snack robots. This activity was made possible through a National FFA Living to Serve grant McKenzie received after attending the Washington Leadership Conference.

We are excited to continue providing students with hands-on learning experiences, leadership opportunities, and meaningful connections to agriculture throughout the school year.



HEALTH SCREENINGS

Reminder from the Health Office:

The district's School Health Services program supports your student's academic success by promoting health in the school setting. One way we provide care for your student is by performing the health screenings as mandated by the State of New York.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision

- Distance and near acuity for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing

- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Pre-K or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.

Scoliosis

- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for all girls in grades 5 and 7, and boys in grade 9.

A letter will be sent home if there are any findings on the screening done at school that would cause concern or need medical follow-up. Please call the school's Health Office if you have any questions or concerns.

New York State law also requires a health examination for all students **entering the school district for the first time and when entering Pre-K or K, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th grade**.

If you have not yet sent in a copy of your child's health exam, please do so as soon as possible. If we do not receive a copy of the exam, one will be done at the school.

Sincerely,

Mattie Shea, RN
School Nurse



YOUTH SOCCER TEAMS



PRE-K AND K



FIRST AND SECOND



THIRD AND FOURTH A



THIRD AND FOURTH B



FIFTH AND SIXTH





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