November 16-20, 2026

Good Afternoon,

Happy Sunday to everyone!

This is our final week before our Thanksgiving break. This week begins our winter sports tryouts, preparing for concerts, and finishing up the fall sports season with our football team advancing to play this Friday against Gardner-Edgerton High School. We would love a record-breaking attendance at this week's football game to cheer our Jaguars to VICTORY! The Valley continues to have a successful 2026-2027 school year.

Looking forward to a great week ahead,

Dr. Holder

**Learning Schedule for the Week:**

Monday: Silver Block Day

Tuesday: Blue Block Day

Wednesday: Silver Block Day-Late start-classes begin at 8:20

Thursday: Blue Block Day

Friday: Silver Block Day

**Clubsgiving:**

It's that time of year again! Student Council's annual Clubsgiving potluck dinner is Wednesday, November 18th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Commons. Clubsgiving is a fun and relaxing way to spend time with your club and mingle with other clubs. There will be club bonding activities and our famous pie-eating contest!

For the potluck, StuCo will provide chicken strips, silverware, plates, & napkins. We ask that attendees bring a food item to share.

***If you do not label your dishes/serving utensils with your name we cannot guarantee that you will ever see them again - please label if you want them back!***

PLEASE SHARE THE SIGNUP LINK WITH YOUR MV CLUB, SPORT, OR ACTIVITY.

Clubsgiving Participation sign up -This lets us know how much meat/bread to provide.

Clubsgiving FOOD sign up HERE - This lets us know who is bringing what side dishes.

ALL STUDENTS MUST SIGN UP ON BOTH FORMS!

*Club & activity sponsors are invited to attend!* However, it is not required in order for your members to be there. We would love for you to join us if you're available!

**ACT Score Reports Returned Tuesday:**
Students who took the ACT in October, will receive their scoring guide on Tuesday in Seminar. Students will have already been able to check their scores online, but the report adds additional details that can be discussed as a family about future decisions.

**KS Communities That Care Survey - Thursday (11/19), During Seminar:**
Students, who their parents opted them in to take the Communities That Care survey, will do so on Thursday, during Seminar. The survey will be administered in the Media Center.

**CTEC News:**

Please read about the great things happening at CTEC:https://app.smore.com/n/7urb6

**Special Education:**

Special Education students/parents of special education students will find an attached flyer with important information.

**Physicals for winter sports participants:**

Our Winter Sports season starts tomorrow! Please remember that this year KSHSAA Physicals will be uploaded by families into BOUND for all of our student athletes at Mill Valley High School. Student athletes can now begin the registration process on BOUND for the 2026-2027 Winter Season. Uploading your physical will be included as part of the registration process. All physicals must be dated after April 1, 2026.

***Your student will need to submit their physical into Bound in order to participate in a KSHSAA sponsored sport or activity. If a student's physical is not submitted***

***on Bound, they will be unable to participate in that activity/sport until it is completed.***
If family has circumstances that prevent the uploading of a physical, please reach out to amber.richter@usd232.org.

Physical paperwork can be downloaded at this website:
https://mvhs.usd232.org/athletics

**S1 Finals Opt Out:**

Paperwork for students to complete to opt out of first semester finals will be available in the counseling office on Tuesday, December 1. Signed paperwork is due back to the counseling office on Tuesday, December 8. Students may opt out of TWO finals IF: 1) they have earned an A for semester in the class and 2) have 4 or fewer absences for the semester.

**Congrats to our Jaguars:**

**Band:**

Congratulations to the following students for auditions and earning a spot in the East Central Kansas Music Educators District Band.

Shriya Mihir – Flute

Jimmy Nai – Clarinet

Enoch McLeod – Trombone

Keaton Wilste - Piano

**Choir:**

Congratulations to the following 24 choir students earning placements in the ECKMEA District Honor Choirs. They will perform on Saturday, December 5th at SM Northwest High School:

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| Addi Alexander | S2 |
| Charlie Barrett | S2 |
| MJ Barton | B2 |
| Eva Bruggeman | S1 |
| Mason Cormany | T1 |

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| Teddy Danielson | T2 |
| Annabelle Gerstenkorn | S2 |
| Lenna Hansen | A2 |
| Lacey Jennings | S1 |
| Maylee Mixon | A1 |
| Jack Musil | B2 |
| Jack Niewohner | T1 |
| Joe Nimoh | B2 |
| Amalia Oropeza | A1 |
| Ayira Otieno | A2 |
| Will Ottesen | B2 |
| Alaina Pirie | S2 |
| Brodey Ross | T2 |
| Lillian Sickel | A2 |
| Genevieve Smith | S1 |
| Amelia Summerskill | S2 |
| Lucy Suman | A2 |
| Zoe Wendel | A2 |
| Davion Wright | T2 |

**Football**:

Our Jaguar Football team had an outstanding win this past Friday versus the Olathe North Eagles. Even when the momentum seemed to shift, the Jags stayed consistent and were able to get a crucial stop at the goal line that turned the tables in their favor. From that point on, our boys never looked back and finished the game with a score of 48-14 and secured the 6A Sectional Championship. Next week, the Jags will be facing off against the Gardner-Edgerton Trailblazers. Please join us this coming Friday, November 20th at 7:00pm as we continue our pursuit of a state title!

**"Oklahoma" = Excellence!**
Congratulations to all involved in the excellent performance of "Oklahoma"! Our students were incredible and thank you to all staff members who were part of the show

**Relay for Life, Thrift for a Cure:** Thank you to all students and staff who helped with the thrift event on Saturday. Many community members participated and helped raise money for the American Cancer Society.

**Robotics Team Competes at Piper:** Our High School Robotics Team competed in the Piper tournament on Saturday. This was the Team's second tournament of the season, and they look to continue with the positive progress they have gained so far this year.

**Counseling Message:**

**2nd Semester Schedule Changes**

Just a reminder…
When students were asked to choose their courses last spring, they were asked to choose with intention since they wouldn't be allowed to change their schedules. This is true for 2nd semester courses as well. The following are the requests that would be considered.

1. Addition to an Application/Audition Course: A teacher may request a student to be added to their application/audition class if it doesn't conflict with other year-long course obligations.
2. A student has failed a year-long course, and the teacher recommends they move to another course.

**ACT Prep Class**

Please click on the link below for the latest information regarding ACT Prep Classes hosted by Power Prep.
http://actprep.info/millvalley

Thank you,

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