

The Valley View

**LICKING VALLEY
LOCAL SCHOOLS**

David Hile, Superintendent

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**SPRING
BREAK**

April 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

Licking Valley Local Schools Calamity Days

Licking Valley School District established a school year based on hours. We set our hours to include 5 calamity days just as in the past, thus, just as in the past, if we utilize 6 or more calamity days we will have to make them up. The District did this to protect student instructional time.

The District has used eight (8) calamity days.

Monday, November 17

Tuesday, February 17

Thursday, January 8

Thursday, February 19

Monday, January 12

Friday, February 20

Monday, January 26

Tuesday, February 24

The District has also had six days of a 2-Hour delayed start time:

Tuesday, January 6

Monday, February 2

Friday, January 9

Thursday, February 5

Friday, January 30

Wednesday, March 4

Based upon Policy 8210 the Licking Valley School District will make up two days of missed instruction on March 30th and March 31st, the first two days of Spring Break and the third day on June 3rd at the end of the school year.

Contingency Plan For Make-Up Days

This is our contingency plan based on Policy 8210:

1st priority - The spring Parent-Teacher Conferences Comp. Day (02/13/2015) and/or Presidents' Day (02/16/2015), if applicable.

2nd priority - the first two days of Spring Break will be utilized (3/30/2015-3/31/2015).

3rd priority - days will be added to the end of the school year (beginning 06/03/2015).

Licking Valley Athletic Boosters



All proceeds from this event will benefit projects supported by the Athletic Boosters for the benefit of Licking Valley athletes.

- . Silent Auction
- . Live Auction
- . Dinner Catered by **THE GRILL**

***15th Annual
All Sports
Dinner & Auction***

For Tickets or to Donate:
740-281-4344 740-334-8236

Tickets available in the athletic director's office or from any booster member.

Date: 4/11/2015

Time: 4:00 pm

Doors open at 4 pm, Dinner begins 5:00 pm

Live Auction begins at 6:00 pm

**Dinner Tickets
\$15.00**



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helping schools, scouts, sports, bands, choruses,
performing arts, youth groups, charities and more...

The LVHS International Travel Group is selling **roast-to-order gourmet coffee AND tea** as a fundraiser.

Giving Bean is a gourmet roaster with a variety of delicious whole bean and ground coffees, as well as gourmet cocoa, chai... artisan blended teas, and biscotti.

It's Fresh! - not just the idea of selling something people consume every day, but all of Giving Bean's coffee is **roasted on demand** - so it's as fresh as it can be, unlike most other coffee.

Eco-friendly - Giving Bean is one of a small group of roasters packaging their whole bean coffees in environmentally-friendly bags (they grind beans as well)

Easy support - A couple bags of coffee bought by a supporter can go a long way to help us out! The price of \$12 per bag is competitive too.

Start Date: 3/16/2015 Due Date: 4/16/2015

Product Delivery Date: 7-10 days after orders are due in.

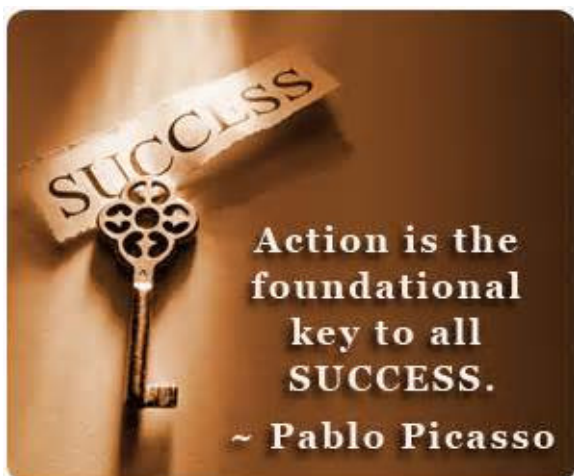
You can order online at <http://www.givingbean.com/>

Characteristics of an Excellent Student

Perfection is not realistic for any of us, and all students are not created equally, but excellence can always be a target that we strive for! What are some essential qualities of an excellent student?

1. The excellent student.....**Asks Questions**. When they don't know or understand, they ask for clarification or more information.
2. The excellent student is a.....**Hard Worker**. Learning to work hard pays off in all areas of life.
3. The excellent student is.....**Involved**. Extra-curricular activities can build confidence and provide other learning opportunities.
4. The excellent student is a.....**Leader**. Schools need strong peer leadership and those skills carry over into real life. Leaders set an example and motivate others.
5. The excellent student is.....**Motivated**. Motivated students want to learn. They want to do their best and be their best.
6. The excellent student is a.....**Problem Solver**. Being able to solve problems is a valuable skill that many employers are looking for today.
7. The excellent student.....**Seizes Opportunities**. They take advantage of their opportunities to learn and fully develop their potential.
8. The excellent student is a.....**Solid Citizen**. Good citizens follow rules and guidelines. They are polite, respectful, and well-behaved.
9. The excellent student has a.....**Support System**. They have a group of people around them who have their best interests in mind. They guide, push, and encourage the student to succeed.
10. The excellent student is.....**Trustworthy**. Trust allows others to have confidence in them and give them special opportunities they may not get otherwise.

These are a commendable set of qualities for all students to strive for. Students who develop these essential qualities will be more successful at school and in life. They will be our future teachers, CEO's, politicians, doctors, lawyers, and parents. These students will leave a positive imprint on their neighborhoods, communities, families, and friends.



“Excellence is the gradual result of always striving to do better.”

- Pat Riley

“Chase excellence, success will follow.”

♦ Rajkumar Hirani

Attention Licking



Valley Parents!



Do you have a child coming to Licking Valley Kindergarten in the Fall?

(child must be 5 years old by August 1st)

We ask that all incoming Kindergarten students register. Please call 763-2865. Notice the new location and times below!

Kindergarten Clinic Date:

April 10th from 8:30-3:30

at Licking Valley Primary School





Let us help you get
your child...

READY!



Classes for LV Parents
with Infants
(born after 7/31/13)
Toddlers
& Preschoolers

Licking Valley Parents/Caregivers Register for Classes NOW!

By attending class you will receive:

- * **TRAINING** on how children learn and grow!
- * **FREE BOOKS** to help with learning!
- * **FREE "TOOLS"/ TOYS** to make learning fun!
- * **FREE CHILDCARE** for children 12 months or older while you attend classes

(Note: Parents/Caregivers in the 0-1 class may bring their infant to class)



SPRING CLASS DATE:

Saturday
April 11, 2015

Babies and toddlers are born learning.
Getting ready for school starts at birth!

Classes will be held at:
LV Primary Elementary School,
1510 Licking Valley Rd. NE, Newark

Class Time Schedule:

9:30-10:00 - Orientation for first time parents
(Materials will be distributed)

10:00 - 11:30 **READY!** Classes for all parents



Register for Classes by Calling: 763-3525

If you have any questions, email us at:

ready4k@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

Sponsor a Scholarship

Each spring Licking Valley High School hosts a senior honors program, which recognizes student academic achievement. Many local organizations and individuals fund scholarships for students based on specific criteria. For example, scholarships can be based on GPA, involvement in a school group, or an essay submitted by a student.

For the upcoming senior honors program in May of 2015, we are looking for scholarship sponsors. Any size donation is appreciated and will help a Licking Valley senior pursue their future goals.

Scholarship sponsors can create their own scholarship based on criteria they feel important, or the counseling office can match an already existing award (ex. Senior Science Award) with the sponsor's name and donation. Scholarship sponsors will be given the opportunity to present their scholarship to the student during the program. If you are interested in funding a scholarship for Licking Valley seniors, please contact high school counselor Courtney Lichtenauer by phone at 763-3407 or by email at LichtenauerC@Lickingvalley.k12.oh.us.



SPRING BREAK: APRIL 1, 2, & 3

April 4	FFA Auction
April 9	Dick Houston Relays
April 10	NO SCHOOL
April 10	Kindergarten Clinic
April 11	READY for KINDERGARTEN
April 11	Athletic Boosters
	Dinner Auction
April 13	Board of Education Meeting
April 17 & 18	LVHS Spring Musical
April 26	LVHS National Honor Society Induction
May 2	PROM
May 9	Jr. Olympics
May 11	Board of Education Meeting
May 14	All District Choir Concert
May 25	NO SCHOOL Memorial Day
May 31	GRADUATION
June 3	LAST STUDENT DAY

Sports schedules can be found at:

www.lickingvalleyathletics.com



Licking Valley Athletic Boosters Scholarship

\$500 to one male athlete

\$500 to one female athlete

Applications and requirements are in the school guidance office.

Applications should be returned to the Guidance Office by May 1st.

Any questions please contact the Guidance Office or any Booster Officer.

Angie Staggers, President
Kelli Hopkins, 1st Vice President
Jeff Collins, 2nd Vice President
Charity McFarland, Treasurer
Denise Locke, Secretary



MUSIC NOTES



Congratulations to the LVHS Women's Choir for receiving an Excellent (II) rating at OMEA District Large Group Contest.



Congratulations to the LVHS Mixed Choir for receiving a Superior (I) rating at OMEA District Large Group Contest and qualifying for STATE.



OMEA State Large Group Contest will be held April 24 or 25 at Jackson High School in Massillon.

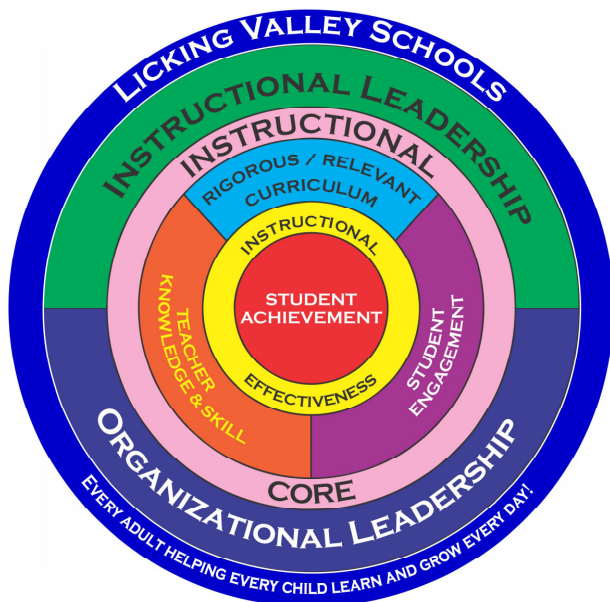


The All-District Choir Concert will be held in the LVHS Auditorium on May 14 at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free!

New Educational Options Program at LVHS

We are excited to announce that under our Educational Options Policy, the Licking Valley Schools is launching a new **Educational Options program**. This program will provide new and exciting opportunities for all LVHS students. We have partnered with ACE Digital Academy, an online curriculum and education provider to offer up to 200 online courses to our high school students. This program is designed to meet two basic needs. One need is to help the roughly 7% of our students who do not graduate each year. Many of these students are, for one reason or another, unable to succeed in the traditional high school instructional program and environment. This online option will provide them with an **alternative to the traditional high school** program and give them another avenue to earn their Licking Valley High School diploma. We would like to bring back to Licking Valley our students who are currently enrolled in other online, community and charter school programs, and students who have dropped out of LVHS but who really want a diploma from Licking Valley High School. If you know a former LV student who didn't graduate, please share this information with them. Licking Valley currently loses almost \$350,000.00 annually to community and charter schools such as Newark Digital Academy when our students drop out and enroll in those schools, and the vast majority of them never acquire a diploma of any kind.

The other need is to offer **additional internet-based elective courses** to all of our students. These electives include various foreign languages such as French, German, Japanese, Latin and Mandarin Chinese. There are also electives such as art history, business and technology, Microsoft Office Software courses, career exploration and various Advanced Placement (AP) courses not currently available at the school. There is also an online ACT Preparation course available through this program. We will also be able to offer **credit recovery** and **summer school** courses through the Educational Options program!



If you are interested in Educational Options, either to complete your high school diploma or for the elective options, please contact **Mrs. Aimee Twiggs**, Licking Valley High School teacher and Educational Options Coordinator, to take advantage of this exciting new educational opportunity. Mrs. Twigg's email address is twiggsa@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us. You may reach her by phone at 763-3721.



**LVHS National Honor Society
Induction Ceremony
Sunday, April 26th
High School Auditorium
Refreshments 6:30 P.M.
Ceremony 7:00 P.M.**

All are welcome to join and honor the newly inductees!

Senior Academic Awards

Thursday, May 21st

6:00 P.M.

High School Auditorium

**Licking Valley
High School
Spring Musical
Little Women**

**April 17 & 18
7:30 PM**

Tickets are \$8.00

Children 5 and under are free.

**Call 763-2275 or email
myersj@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us**

5th Grade

**Washington, D.C. Trip
October 7-9, 2015**

**ATTENTION: CURRENT 4TH
GRADE PARENTS!**

We will be holding an informational parent meeting, for current 4th graders, on **Thursday, April 23rd at 6:30pm** in the Elementary cafeteria. We will discuss trip expectations, cost and payment arrangements, and chaperone commitments. There will be time for Q & A at the end. We are looking forward to meeting with you!

**The Licking Valley
Athletic Boosters
300 Club**

Tickets are still available for the 2014-2015 "300 Club" for \$20.00 per ticket. Membership entitles you to participate in several drawings for cash prizes. Proceeds benefit all Licking Valley student athletes.



Contact Angie Staggers, President of the LVAB, 740/334-3049; Jo Lynn Torbert, 740/763-3525, or Luann Fulk, 740/763-3703 to purchase a ticket. All drawings will occur in June. Prize drawings are as follows:

- (40) \$ 50.00 Prizes
- (6) \$ 25.00 Prizes
- (4) \$ 50.00 Prizes
- (5) \$100.00 Prizes
- (1) \$150.00 Prize

It

is hard to believe we are nearing the end of the 2014-2015 school year. If you have not yet paid your student's school fees, please do so as soon as possible.

Fees are posted on the grade cards. If you are not sure what your student's fees are, please contact the school to find out and to make any arrangements needed to pay fees.



The EZPay system is a great way to pay your student's school fees and lunch account. Parents can access the system by going to:



www.edline.net/pages/licking_valley_local_sd

Click on the Parent tab and choose EZPay online.

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2015- 2016 Open Enrollment Application

The 2015-2016 Open Enrollment applications are now available on the district's web site or in any of the buildings' offices. www.lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

Under Parent tab choose Student Enrollment Information and then the 2015-2016 Open Enrollment application. The Open Enrollment guidelines are also available.

****Renewal applications** are due April 1st. If you have not turned in your renewal application, please do so. Any outstanding school fees need to be paid by May 15th.

****New applications** are due by June 1st.

Attention Parents!

Do we have your current information such as the following?

- ♦ Phone number
- ♦ Cell phone number
- ♦ Address
- ♦ E-mail address
- ♦ Updated custody information

In the event of questions or an emergency it is important that we have the most current data.

Please call the building secretary at your student's respective school to update your information.

Primary ES 763-2865

Intermediate ES 763-2031

Middle School 763-3396

High School 763-3721



BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

The Licking Valley Local School District is looking for sub bus drivers.

All applicants need to fill out an on-line Ohio Reap application at: www.ohreap.net

Please contact Mickie Archer, Transportation Supervisor at 740-763-3525 for more information.

Once Upon a Dream
HOMECOMING/ PROM DRIVE

Sponsored By:

**LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

Sunday April 15th 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Licking Valley High School
100 Hainsview Dr.
Newark, Ohio 43055



For More Information Contact:

Leah Myers (Advisor)
(740)763-3721

Haylie Schmoll (President)
(740)349-1997

onceuponadreamdrive@gmail.com

Once Upon a Dream provides formal wear to girls and guys for their Homecoming and Prom. Through donations of new and gently used young ladies dresses, shoes, jewelry, and purses, along with mens dress shirts, pants, ties, tuxedos and shoes, we are able to turn dreams into realities for High School Freshman through Seniors all over Licking County and Beyond. Even more than an outfit, Once Upon a Dream provides an unforgettable, amazing experience that helps build confidence and beauty in every child that walks through the door. Our mission is to have them leave knowing that they are very special and deserve to have their dream come true. This first drive was extremely successful due to the positive support from the community and generous donations so this will be our second event. Be a part of someone's dream!

Want to make someone's dream come true? You can help by donating:

LADIES

Gently Used or New Formal Dresses
(long or short Prom or Homecoming,
bridesmaids dresses, or any formal gown)
Formal Shoes
Formal Purses
Formal Jewelry

MENS

Black Dress Pants
Dress Shirts
Dress Shoes
Tuxedos
Ties

Monetary Donations

LOOK FOR DROP OFF BOXES AROUND TOWN AND AT LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Licking Valley Elementary

5k and 1-mile color fun run/walk event



Date & Location

Sunday, May 17th Licking Valley Elementary School
1510 Licking Valley Road, Newark, OH 43055

Events

2:00pm check in and day of registration
2:30pm 5k and 1-mile run/walk begins

Registration

Cash or check payable to **Licking Valley Intermediate Panther Parents**. You can also register or donate online by visiting www.lickingvalleyMSCR.eventbrite.com.

Registration Fee

5 and under	FREE
6-12 years old	\$15
13 and up	\$20
Day of event	\$25

The registration fee includes run/walk registration, individual color packet, race bib and pins, and a My School Color Run T-shirt! ***Only guaranteed if you sign up before Friday, May 1st**

Course

The My School Color Run/Walk will feature a 1-mile and 3.1-mile route. Throughout the course participants will experience color splash zones where you will be doused in color. Be prepared to get wet.

Time Limit

The course will be set up for 2 hours. No timing is provided, if you'd like your time, please wear a watch.

Volunteer

We are looking for volunteers to assist with the race (check in, water/refreshment stations, color stations, etc.). If you are interested in volunteering, please print your information below.

name: _____
phone: _____
email: _____

Note:

For the safety of all participants, strollers, skateboards, scooters and skates of any kind are prohibited in this event. Waiver of Liability: In consideration of my entry being accepted, I waive any and all claims for myself, my administrators, and my heirs against all officials, sponsors, and organizations connected with the myschoolcolorrun Fun Run/Walk for injury or illness that may directly or indirectly result from my participation in this event. I attest that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event, and am physically fit and sufficiently trained to participate in this event.

Licking Valley Elementary School Fun Run/Walk Entry Form

To guarantee a color packet, race bib, and your shirt, this form must be turned in with full payment by Friday, May 1st (please PRINT neatly)

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____

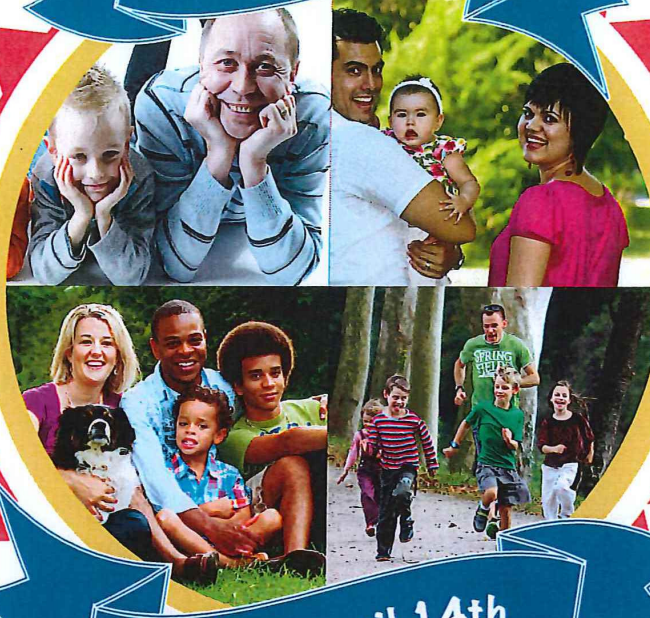
Email: _____

Signature: _____

T-shirt Size: **SELECT ONE**

YOUTH Small Medium Large XL **ADULT** Small Medium Large XL 2XL

The Power of Positive Parenting



Tuesday, April 14th

The Power of Positive Parenting is a **Triple P Seminar** that helps lower the stress of parenting by equipping parents to...

- Create an environment that encourages kids to learn
- Have reasonable expectations for kids
- Help kids take responsibility for their actions

Tuesday, April 14th
6:30PM - 8:00PM
Licking County YMCA
John and Christine Warner
Family Center
470 W Church St., Newark

Food & Drink Provided
Free Gift Card Raffle
Free Childcare for ages
7 and under!

(In order to receive free childcare you must be registered by April 8th)



Please register by April 8th by calling (740) 522-1234 Ext. 22, or emailing us at: triplepseminar@hotmail.com

Please include the number of people attending as well as the ages of the kids needing childcare.



Triple P is a researched based, internationally recognized, multi-level parent support program funded by the Ohio Children's Trust Fund and supported by Mental Health and Recovery, The Children and Families First Council and Our Futures in Licking County.

96% of parents who have tried some of the Triple P strategies have seen an improvement in their child's behavior.

Licking Valley Local School District

2015 - 2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Monday, August 17, 2015	Professional Development Day
Tuesday, August 18, 2015	Local Staff Convocation Day
Wed., Thurs., Fri., August 19, 20, 21, 2015	Professional Development Days
Monday, August 24, 2015	First Student Day
Monday, September 7, 2015 - NO SCHOOL	Labor Day
Friday, October 16, 2015 - NO SCHOOL	COTA Day
Friday, November 13, 2015 - NO SCHOOL	Veteran's Day
Monday, November 16, 2015 - NO SCHOOL	P/T Exchange Day
Thurs., Fri., November 27, 28, 2015 and Monday, November 30, 2015 - NO SCHOOL	Thanksgiving Recess
Monday, December 21, 2015 through Friday, January 1, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Winter Break
Monday, January 4, 2016	School Resumes
Friday, January 15, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Professional Development Day
Monday, January 18, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Marin Luther King Day
Friday, February 12, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	P/T Exchange Day
Monday, February 15, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	President's Day Recognition
Friday, March 25, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Good Friday
Monday, March 28 through Friday, April 1, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Spring Break
Friday, April 8, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Professional Development Day
Sunday, May 29, 2016	<i>GRADUATION</i>
Monday, May 30, 2016 - NO SCHOOL	Memorial Day
Friday, June 3, 2016	Last Student Day
Monday, June 6, 2016	Teacher Work Day