



The Valley View

Licking Valley Local School District

Licking Valley High School

Wes Weaver, Principal
Shane Adkins, Assistant Principal
100 Hainsview Dr. N.E.
Newark, OH 43055
740-73-3525

Licking Valley Middle School

Scott Beery, Principal
Jeff Neiger, Assistant Principal
1379 Licking Valley Rd. N.E.
Newark, OH 43055
740-763-3396

Licking Valley Elementary School

1510 Licking Valley Rd. N.E.
Newark, OH 43055
Primary: Todd Carmer ,Principal
740-763-2865
Intermediate: Sherry Crum, Principal
740-763-2031



MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2008

Orientation and Open House Schedules

AUGUST

- 18 Freshman Parent Orientation 7:00 P.M.
- 19 Freshman Orientation 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.
Kindergarten Parent Meeting 6:30 P.M.
1st Grade Open House 7:00 P.M.
7th Grade Open House 7:30 P.M.
- 20 High School Grades 10, 11,12 9:00 A.M.
Schedule pick-up/Pictures
- 20 3rd Grade Open House 6:00 P.M.
4th Grade Open House 7:00 P.M.
8th Grade Open House 7:30 P.M.
- 21 Kindergarten Open House 10:00-11:30 A.M.
6th Grade Orientation 6:30 P.M.
2nd Grade Open House 6:30 P.M.
5th Grade Open House 6:00 P.M.

School Lunches 2008-2009

Grades K-5	\$1.75
Grades 6-12	\$2.00
Adults	\$2.00
Milk	\$.40
Breakfast	\$1.00

Student Fees

Instructional fees will be collected as follows:

Grades K-5	\$20.00
Grades 6-12	Fees are as noted on student's class schedule.

Licking Valley Welcomes Middle School Principal

The Licking Valley Board of Education hired Scott Beery as Middle School Principal at the June 9th Board of Education meeting.

Scott began his teaching career at Berne Union High School as a 7th/8th grade Science teacher in 1988 and then moved to Newark High School where he has been a Health & Wellness teacher for the past 19 years. He served as the head Football Coach at Newark from 2002-2007 as the Wildcats posted back-to-back Ohio Capital Conference Championships and qualified for the Division I State Playoffs in 2005 for the first time in 30 years. Scott was awarded the Licking County Foundation's Leaders for Learning Award in 2003-2004 and was named a Franklin B. Walter Outstanding Educator recipient in 1998. He is a graduate of Lancaster High School, received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Ohio Wesleyan University, and earned his Masters of Education degree in administration from Ashland University in May of 2007. Scott and his wife Sandi are the parents of a daughter and son-in-law (Bobbi and Mark Phillips) and the proud grandparents of Ryanne Phillips who all live here in the valley. When not at school, Scott enjoys spending time with his family and running (having just completed his second marathon this past May). Scott is very much looking forward to being a part of the Licking Valley community and serving the great students and staff of the Licking Valley Local School District.



**Licking Valley Local School District
2008-2009 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

DATE	EVENT
Thurs., Aug. 21, 2008	Certified Professional Dev. Day (inclusion)
Fri. Aug. 22, 2008	Local Staff Orientation Mtg.
Mon., Aug. 25, 2008	First Student Day (full day)
Mon., Sept. 1, 2008 – NO SCHOOL	Labor Day
Fri., September 12, 2008 <u>EARLY DISMISSAL</u>	HS/MS 12:30 P.M. ELEMENTARY 1:30 P.M.
Fri., Oct. 17, 2008 – NO SCHOOL	12 month employees only (COTA Day)
Fri., Oct. 24, 2008	<u>End 1st nine weeks</u> 43 days in session
Mon., Oct. 27, 2008	Begin 2 nd nine weeks
Fri., October 31, 2008 <u>EARLY DISMISSAL</u>	HS/MS 12:30 P.M. ELEMENTARY 1:30 P.M.
Fri., Nov. 7, 2008 – NO SCHOOL	Veteran's Day (Class. Employee Holiday)
Thurs., Nov. 27 and Fri., Nov. 28, 2008 – NO SCHOOL	Thanksgiving Recess
Mon., Dec. 1, 2008 – NO SCHOOL	Comp. Day for P/T Conferences
Fri., Dec. 19, 2008	End-of-day: Winter Break Begins
Mon., Dec. 22, 2008 through Fri., Jan. 2, 2009 NO SCHOOL	Winter Break
Mon., Jan. 5, 2009	School Resumes
Thurs., Jan. 15, 2009	<u>End 2nd nine weeks</u> 45 days in session
Fri., Jan. 16, 2009 – NO SCHOOL	
Mon., Jan. 19, 2009 – NO SCHOOL	Martin Luther King Day
Tues., Jan. 20, 2009	Begin 3 rd nine weeks
Fri., January 30, 2009 <u>EARLY DISMISSAL</u>	HS/MS 12:30 P.M. ELEMENTARY 1:30 P.M.
Mon., Feb. 16, 2009 – NO SCHOOL	President's Day Recognition
Fri., March 20, 2009	<u>End 3rd nine weeks</u> 43 days in session
Mon., Mar. 23, 2009	Begin 4 th nine weeks
Mon., Mar. 30 through Fri., Apr. 3, 2009 NO SCHOOL	Spring Break
Fri., Apr. 10, 2009 – NO SCHOOL	Comp. Day for P/T Conferences
Fri., May 15, 2009 <u>EARLY DISMISSAL</u>	HS/MS 12:30 P.M. ELEMENTARY 1:30 P.M.
Mon., May 25, 2009 – NO SCHOOL	Memorial Day
Sun., May 31, 2009	Graduation Day
Thurs., June 4, 2009 LAST STUDENT DAY	<u>Last day 4th nine weeks</u> 47 days in session
Fri., June 5, 2009	Teacher Work Day

The Licking Valley Local Schools Strategic Plan By Dave Hile, Superintendent

The Licking Valley Local Schools has a strategic plan in place that guides our work and informs our decision-making. We are entering year four of this five-year plan, and it is important for us to consistently monitor our progress on our goals and mission to realize our vision. Below you will find Goal 1 and its action plan consisting of 10 action steps with a column describing the things we have done or will be doing in 2008-09 to accomplish each step. Each of the next six months we will publish a goal and its action plan with a description of the initiatives we are pursuing to accomplish each goal. You can also find the entire strategic plan update on our website (https://www.edline.net/pages/Licking_Valley_Local_SD) in the Superintendent’s Corner. If you have questions about any of our goals and/or strategic initiatives, please don’t hesitate to call me at 763-3525.

Vision Statement

To become the highest performing school district in Ohio and a leader in quality education.

Mission Statement

The Licking Valley Schools and community will ensure academic achievement for all students in preparation for a successful tomorrow.

GOAL 1

Licking Valley School District will employ and maintain a high quality staff.

<p>1. Increase and maintain salary schedules to a level, not less than the top 1/3 of other comparable Licking County districts, to attract the best candidate in all positions.</p>	<p>Negotiated items.</p>
<p>2. Increase monetary compensation for continuing education for all employees.</p>	<p>Negotiated items.</p>
<p>3. Establish a human resource department.</p>	<p>With all administrators trained in Ventures for Excellence and doing their own hiring, this step has become unnecessary.</p>
<p>4. Ensure all staff responsible for hiring will use a uniform, research-based instrument and process for screening and hiring new employees.</p>	<p>All administrators are trained in Ventures and implementing it effectively. We will need to do retooling every two years to maintain our skills and inter-rater reliability.</p>
<p>5. Provide newly hired employees training in district-wide initiatives (quality, Pathwise) within their first two years of employment.</p>	<p>We trained a number of employees in Pathwise and Quality tools the first two years, but we need to offer these trainings to the teachers hired in the last two years. We also need to make sure all new teachers have and understand the new curriculum maps and quarterly assessments .</p>
<p>6. Establish and implement a method of sharing opportunities and information gained from professional development.</p>	<p>1. Each year select teachers report to the Board on their Track II assessment projects. 2. Teachers are sharing best practices in regular grade level/dept. mtgs. 3. The principals, superintendent and director of student services spend the first hour of each monthly meeting sharing with each other their work and initiatives impacting the instructional core. 4. All classified depts. are meeting quarterly to communicate and share best practices.</p>
<p>7. Focus professional development for school-wide personnel around specific data-defined areas that will impact student achievement.</p>	<p>1. Curriculum Mapping 2. Develop. of aligned QAs and short-cycle assess. 3. Weekly, monthly and quarterly grade level/dept. meetings 4. NWEA MAP Assess. training for teachers and admin. 5. Bus mgmt. train. for all drivers scheduled for Aug. 2008 6. Spec. ed. IEP 101 training for all spec. ed. teachers 7. Aides inclusion train. 8. Ventures teacher and admin. selection train. for all admin. 9. Downey Walk-Thru Train. for all admin. 10. Cambridge Strategic Plan. Train. 11. Differentiated instruction train for elem. teachers and admin. and MS teachers.</p>
<p>8. Incorporate personal, professional development that is aligned with content standards, evaluation track, IPDP, department, building or district goals.</p>	<p>Same as action step 7 above.</p>
<p>9. Establish job-specific evaluations for each position in the district.</p>	<p>All are in place and have been implemented, but having implemented them we have found that many need to be reviewed and improved in order to be better aligned to their job descriptions. We found it necessary to modify the nurse's instrument and the psychologist's instrument</p>
<p>10. Review evaluation instruments for effectiveness every two years.</p>	<p>Job descriptions will be reviewed during the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years. Per the negotiated agreement, we must review the teacher assessment instrument this year prior to negotiations.</p>

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Did You Know?

- Licking Valley has hired the following staff for 2008-2009:

Nicole Vandesommers, HS English

Aimee Crabtree, HS Math

Erik Arnett, HS Math

Christopher Clark, HS Social Studies

David Haberman, HS PE/Health

Robin Miller, HS PE/Health

Amanda Yates, HS Science

Emily Schmitt, Kindergarten

Kellie Caplin, Elementary Art

Rhonda White, MS Technology Class

Scott Beery, MS Principal



More Life Church will be giving away **FREE** backpacks full of school supplies to the **first 200 students present** on

Friday, August 15th, starting at 5:30pm

at our future home, the **Old Madison Elementary**, located at 1718 East Main Street in Newark.

Over 200 backpacks (34 for each grade - Kindergarten thru 5th) will be handed out on a **First Come - First Served** basis on August 15th. Each bag will be filled according to each grades' supply list provided by the Licking Valley Elementary. **Backpacks will be given to LV students PRESENT between Kindergarten and 5th grade.**



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