

Vision Statement: Every adult helping every child learn and grow every day.



The Valley View

School Closings

Screening for Gifted Identification

The Gifted Department of the Licking County Educational Service Center will be conducting screening for gifted identification in the visual and performing arts, specifically in areas of painting, sculpting, drawing, vocal music, instrumental music, dance or drama. According to Ohio law and district policy, students in grades kindergarten through 12th may be nominated for assessment for gifted identification. Between the months of December and February, nominated students will be evaluated using a checklist of gifted behaviors and, for those who earn a qualifying score on the checklist, a demonstration of the student's talent in fine arts.

Parents, teachers or students may nominate possible candidates for evaluation. Forms are available from the district or school office, or on the Licking County Educational Service Center Web site at www.lcesc.org/Gifted/gifted.html.

Additional information will be sent to parents of nominated students in early December. If you have questions, please contact Colleen Boyle, gifted coordinator, at (740) 349-6094 or by e-mail at cboylle@laca.org.

When a decision is made to close school, it is made known to the radio/TV stations listed below. We ask that parents and students NOT contact the schools but listen to these stations. We need to keep the school lines open to make contact with the radio and TV stations, employees, etc.

It is impossible for us to know the condition of all roads or turn-a-rounds even when a road check is conducted. The decision to delay or close school will generally be made by 5:45 a.m.

If you think your particular situation is too dangerous for your children, please keep them at home. If you call the school and inform them of your situation, your child will be counted as an excused absence and will be allowed to make up any work missed. If the buses do not travel your road, students will not be counted absent.

- WCLT..... T100
- WHTH101.7
- Sunny 95/Oldies 107.9
- Smooth Jazz..... 104.3/103.5
- WTVN 610 AM
- ABC 6 Fox 28
- WBNS 10 ONN
- NBC 4 WHIZ
- NewarkAdvocate.com

The Licking Valley School District has recently implemented the Leader Alert system to further help communicate to staff and parents information about any situation that may arise. This is a new product that will allow Licking Valley Schools to automatically contact groups of staff and parents via phone and/or email in the event that a message of some type needs to be relayed.

Leader Alert gives us the ability to send a voice or email message to every parent in our district with information about any situation that might arise. ***This includes snow days, early releases, and any emergencies that might occur in our schools.*** Here's how it works: We have taken the information parents have provided us and created a contact list for every student in the district that contains a parent phone number, parent cell phone number, and email address. We have loading this data into the Leader Alert system which enables the district to



send messages as needed. When the message is sent, your phone will ring, and once you answer and say hello

you'll hear a recorded message from Superintendent Hile. You'll be asked after the message is completed to press 1 on your phone to acknowledge the call. In addition, you should receive an email message. You don't need to reply to the email. That's all there is to it. We will use this system as needed to keep our parents notified, AND we'll be using the system soon to make daily calls to parents of students that are unexcused from school as a reminder that your student was not in school and that an excuse is needed.

The system was tested on November 13. If you did not receive the test message and are concerned that we do not have your current information, please contact your school secretary as soon as possible so that we can update our records.

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 5 and its action plan consisting of 9 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.

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Mission Statement

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

GOAL 5

The Licking Valley School District will achieve high student performance within the district.

1. Develop and implement high school alternative programs for students.	1. Star Program 2. Peer mentoring 3. HS-10th Period Tutoring Program 3. Freshman Mentoring Program 4. LVHS After-School Work Program
2. Implement individual student recognitions (at a minimum) at mid-year and end-of-year.	1. LVHS Renaissance Program. 2. Quarterly Academic Recognition Programs 3. Middle School Renaissance Program
3. Implement individual student achievement goal setting in math and reading for grades 3-8 and 9-12.	Occurs as necessary.
4. Implement an advisory program that matches students with a single consistent advisor in grades 6-8 and 9-12.	1. Guidance counselor in all building since 2007-08 2. HS academic Majors Program still in planning stage - implementation 2009-10.
5. Develop intervention programs for students in K-5 designed to prevent dropping out of school.	1. IAT process improved in 2007-08 to better design and measure academic interventions for struggling students. 2. Academic intervention programs implemented in Primary and Intermediate building in 2007-08 utilizing state intervention funds. 3. Big Brothers/Sisters in Intermediate building in 2008-09. 4. Primary Pathways Program for Parents/Parenting Skills in 2008-09. 5. Adding additional duty monitors in elementary building in 2008-09 to free educational aides for academic intervention.
6. Implement a literacy program that is consistent for all LVLS students in grades K-3.	1. Houghton-Mifflin Reading Program implemented in 2007-08 2. DRA II assessment program in place K-5 3. NWEA Assessment System in place K-2 with intent to grow to K-8 4. SRI, Reading Counts and Scholastic Reader being utilized consistently.
7. Implement an annual record-keeping system that charts student progress.	EdLine implemented in 2007-08.
8. Track preschoolers vs. non-preschoolers to determine need for creating a pre-school.	We definitely need a pre-school opportunity in our district, but right now we do not have the requisite space available to house it.
9. Develop a K-12 career planning program.	We have pockets of activity occurring across grade levels, but we do not have a coherent program in place K-12. We are meeting with CTEC in July 2008 to discuss what we can do to pull together a coherent K-12 program.



Music Boosters
6th Annual Yard Sale
February 6, 2009 High School Commons
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Now accepting donations. (Please no clothing, shoes or exercise/sports equipment) For item pick-up call Libby Teter, 740-349-8579, 740-763-3061, or e-mail CritterCabin@RR.com
 Proceeds benefit all music programs at Licking Valley.

DECEMBER 2008

We're are on the web:
www.edline.net/pages/licking_valley_local_sd

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7 PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY	8 B MS BK Bexley H G MS BK Bexley A LV Board of Education 6:00	9 MS Winter Concert 7:00 B BK Tri Bexley H LV FFA 7:00	10	11 PLAN Test HS Winter Concert 7:00 B MS BK Lakewood A G MS BK Lakewood H	12 G BK Tri Whitehall A	13 ACT B MS WR LV Winter Classic B BK Tri Lakewood A
14	15 Mrs. Bock's Gr. 1 & 2 Concert @ HS 7:00 B MS BK Whitehall H G MS BK Whitehall A	16 LV FFA Alumni, Inc. 7:30 Music Boosters 7:00 4th Gr. Concert @ ES 7:00 G BK Tri Heath H	17 Mr. Nethers' Gr. 1 & 2 Concert @ HS 7:00	18 B MS BK Heath A G MS BK Heath H	19 B BK Tri Whitehall H	20 B BK Tri Utica H G BK Tri NC A
21	22 LV Athletic Boosters 7:00	23 G V/JV BK Johnstown H	24 CHRISTMAS EVE District Office Closed	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 District Office Closed	27 B V/JV BK Canal Winchester H
WINTER BREAK						
28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE			
WINTER BREAK						

Flying Colors Public School Preschool

Flying Colors Public School Preschool offers early learning experiences to give children an academic advantage toward their elementary education.

Licensed by the Ohio Department of Education, Flying Colors offers preschool and kindergarten-based programs for children 3 to 5 years old. Classes are located at the Career & Technical Education Center, Licking Heights West Elementary School, Jackson Elementary School in the Lakewood District, and the main campus is in Newark at 119 Union Street.

Children attending Flying Colors come from districts in Licking County, as well as Heath City School District and Granville Village School District. Half-day or full-day programs are offered. Fees are on a sliding scale, based on the number of family members and their income and if the child has special needs.



Staff members include a school psychologist, speech therapists, occupational therapists and physical therapists. Adaptive physical education services also are offered.

To register for Flying Colors Public School Preschool or to request an appointment to visit the school, call (740) 349-1629.



Holiday Celebration!

December 10, 2008

9:00- 10:15 A.M.

Licking Valley High School

Come and join the Licking Valley Concert Band for a morning full of holiday cheer, as they hold their first annual Holiday Celebration. Designed for children ages 5 and younger. Activities include:



Craft & Snack



Instrument Petting Zoo



LVHS Band Concert

Tickets are \$3.00 per child and are pre-sale only. Contact Angie French, 740-364-8345 or Angie.french@ijus.net to order your tickets.

Licking Valley students from the band and parenting classes will lead the children through the various activities and Santa Claus will read a special musical version of the poem, "Twas the Night Before Christmas".

District Directory

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SCHOOL ZONE
20 MPH
 LICKING VALLEY ROAD
 7:00 A.M.-9:00A.M.
 &
 2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M.

January 2009

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 District Office Closed	3
WINTER BREAK						
4	5 B MS BK NC H G MS BK NC A	6 G BK Tri Granville H	7	8 B MS BK Granville A G MS BK Granville H	9 B BK Tri Heath A	10 G BK Tri Cols. Academy A
11	12 HS Financial Aid Night B MS BK Cos. Academy H G MS BK Cols. Academy A LV Board of Education 6:00	13 8th Gr. Guitar Recital 7:00 LV FFA 7:00 B BK Tri NC H	14	15 G MS BK Bexley H B MS BK Bexley A V/JV WR Cols. Academy, LV, Bexley A	16 G BK Tri Bexley H NO SCHOOL	17 B BK Tri Granville A
18	19 NO SCHOOL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY	20 Elem. Market Day LV Music Boosters 7:00 LV FFA Alumni, Inc. 7:30 G BK Tri Lakewood A	21	22 MS WR LV, Granville, Whitehall A V/JV WR LV, Granville, Whitehall A MS B BK Lakewood H MS G BK Lakewood A	23 B BK Tri Cols. Academy H	24 SAT G BK Tri Whitehall H
25	26 B MS BK Whitehall A G MS BK Whitehall H LV Athletic Boosters 7:00 LV Financial Task Force 7:00	27 G BK Tri Utica H B BK Tri Bexley A	28	29 V/JV WR Heath, Lake- wood, LV H MS WR Heath, Lakewood, LV H B MS BK Heath H G MS BK Heath A	30 G BK Tri Heath A 2 Hr. Early Dismissal ES 1:30 HS/MS 12:30	31 G V/JV BK Bishop Rosecrans A B BK Tri Lakewood H