

LICKING VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOLS

THE VALLEY VIEW

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David Hile, Superintendent

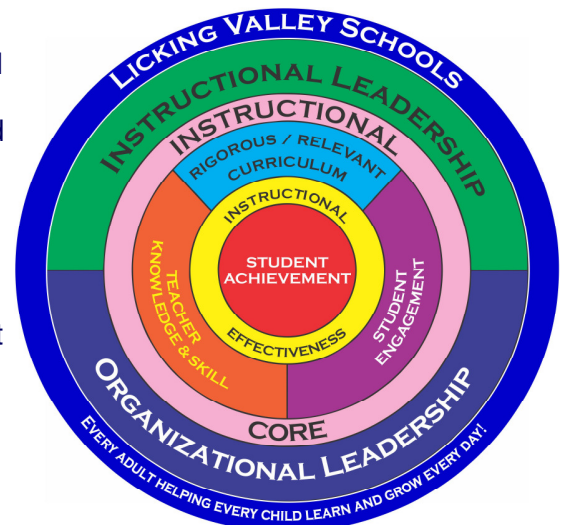
Licking Valley Local Schools Placed on the College Board’s 3rd Annual AP[®] District Honor Roll for Significant Gains in Advanced Placement[®] Access and Student Performance

A Record 539 School Districts Across the Nation Are Honored

The Licking Valley Local School District is one of 539 school districts across 44 of the 50 states in the U.S. and Canada being honored by the College Board with placement on the 3rd Annual AP[®] District Honor Roll for simultaneously increasing access to Advanced Placement[®] course work while increasing the percentage of students earning scores of 3 or higher on AP Exams. Achieving both of these goals is the ideal scenario for a district’s AP program because it indicates that the district is successfully identifying motivated, academically prepared students who are likely to benefit most from rigorous AP course work. Since 2010, the Licking Valley Local Schools has increased the number of students participating in AP by 40% while improving the percentage of students earning AP Exam scores of 3 or higher by 8%. More than 90 percent of colleges and universities across the U.S. offer college credit, advanced placement or both for a score of 3 or above on an AP Exam — which can potentially save students and their families thousands of dollars in college tuition.

“This is an important honor for the Licking Valley School District because it means we are doing a solid job of both preparing students K-12 to take challenging courses and actually convincing more students to take them, which is easier when they feel confident in their ability to succeed academically. It is also one powerful indicator that we are succeeding in our efforts to create a college-going culture in this school district. Every staff member and school board member, every student who stepped up to take an AP course and committed themselves to passing the test and every parent who has encouraged and supported such a student can take great pride in this recognition,” said Licking Valley Superintendent, David Hile.

Our data show that among African-American, Hispanic, and Native American students with a high degree of readiness for AP, only about half of students are participating, often because their school does not yet offer the AP course. We call for continued commitment to expanding the availability of AP courses among prepared and motivated students of all backgrounds. We must be vigilant about fostering greater readiness for AP, and then we must care for students within AP courses by providing support, mentorship and encouragement.



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“We applaud the extraordinary efforts of the devoted teachers and administrators in this district, who are fostering rigorous work worth doing. These educators have not only expanded student access to AP course work, but they have enabled more of their students to achieve on a college level—which is helping to create a strong college-going culture,” said College Board President, David Coleman.

Helping more students learn at a higher level *and* earn higher AP scores is an objective of all members of the AP community, from AP teachers to district and school administrators to college professors. Many districts are experimenting with a variety of initiatives and strategies to determine how to expand access and improve student performance simultaneously.

“There has been a great victory among educators who have believed that a more diverse population could indeed succeed in AP courses. In 2012, AP scores were higher than they’d been since 2004, when one million fewer students were being given access. These outcomes are a powerful testament to educators’ belief that many more students were indeed ready and waiting for the sort of rigor that would prepare them for what they would encounter in college,” said Trevor Packer, the College Board’s senior vice president of the Advanced Placement Program. “While we recognize that there is still much work to be done to prepare students for college, I find myself inspired daily by what they are achieving.”

Inclusion on the 3rd Annual AP District Honor Roll is based on the examination of three years of AP data, from 2010 to 2012, for the following criteria:

Districts must:

Increase participation/access to AP by at least 4 percent in large districts, at least 6 percent in medium districts and at least 11 percent in small districts;

Ensure that the percentage of African American, Hispanic/Latino and American Indian/Alaska Native students taking AP Exams did not decrease by more than 5 percent for large and medium districts or by more than 10 percent for small districts;

Improve performance levels when comparing the percentage of students in 2012 scoring a 3 or higher to those in 2010, *unless* the district has already attained a performance level in which more than 70 percent of the AP students are scoring a 3 or higher.

When these outcomes have been achieved among an AP student population made up of 30 percent or more underrepresented minority students (Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian/Alaska Native) and/or 30 percent or more low-income students (students who qualify for free or reduced-price lunch), a symbol has been affixed to the district name to highlight this work.

About the Licking Valley Local School District

The Licking Valley Local School District is a public K-12 school district located in eastern Licking County in the Village of Hanover, Ohio. The district serves 1,924 resident students residing in four separate townships and the Village of Hanover, and 174 open enrollment students. The district is proud of the hard working community that surrounds and supports it, and of its entirely new and renovated school facilities that have been built and maintained in partnership with the community. At Licking Valley, we realize that it takes a community to educate a child and that’s why our vision is that of every adult helping every child learn and grow every day.

About the Advanced Placement Program[®]

The College Board’s Advanced Placement Program[®] (AP[®]) enables willing and academically prepared students to pursue college-level studies — with the opportunity to earn college credit, advanced placement or both — while still in high school. Through AP courses in 34 subjects, each culminating in a rigorous exam, students learn to think critically, construct solid arguments and see many sides of an issue — skills that prepare them for college and beyond. Taking AP courses demonstrates to college admission officers that students have sought the most rigorous curriculum available to them, and research indicates that students who score a 3 or higher on an AP Exam typically experience greater academic success in college and are more likely to earn a college degree than non-AP students. Each AP teacher’s syllabus is evaluated and approved by faculty from some of the nation’s leading colleges and universities, and AP Exams are developed and scored by college

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faculty and experienced AP teachers. Most four-year colleges and universities in the United States grant credit, advanced placement or both on the basis of successful AP Exam scores — more than 3,600 institutions worldwide annually receive AP scores. In the last decade, participation in the AP Program has more than doubled and graduates succeeding on AP Exams have nearly doubled. In May 2012, 2.1 million students representing more than 18,000 schools around the world, both public and nonpublic, took 3.7 million AP Exams.

About the College Board

The College Board is a mission-driven not-for-profit organization that connects students to college success and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the College Board was created to expand access to higher education. Today, the membership association is made up of over 6,000 of the world's leading educational institutions and is dedicated to promoting excellence and equity in education. Each year, the College Board helps more than seven million students prepare for a successful transition to college through programs and services in college readiness and college success — including the SAT® and the Advanced Placement Program®. The organization also serves the education community through research and advocacy on behalf of students, educators and schools. For further information, visit www.collegeboard.org.

News From the Middle School

Gettysburg:

The first deposit was due Nov. 16. If you were unable to get a deposit in it is not too late. Please send you check made out to LVMS as soon as possible. Also, if you are going as a parent chaperone please make an appointment with the district office to get fingerprinted. If you have any questions please call Mr. Hageman at the middle school 763-3396 or email him at: hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

**The applications for students wanting to place a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown's will be available in December.

Renaissance:

The Middle School celebrated Academic Excellence during a Renaissance Talent Show on Nov 16. The student body was entertained by over twelve talented acts ranging from stilts to comedy. Over three hundred students earned a GPA of 3.0 or better for the first nine weeks.

Granville Creno's Pizza will be providing a pizza party for 65 students earning a 4.0.

27th Annual Community Friends Day

On Tuesday, October 29th, the Licking Valley Schools welcomed over 150 parents, grandparents and friends to our annual Community Friends Day. It was a wonderful opportunity to promote the district's many positive happenings with visits to all four of our buildings; high school principal, Wes Weaver, speaking about 1:1 computing; a special luncheon provided by our Primary Panther Parents; entertainment provided by our high school choir and band; and door prizes donated by generous area businesses. This is a tradition that started 27 years ago and we want to thank everyone who made this day special for our/ your students.

High School Physical Education Students In Action:

Ice Skating.....



Athletic Training and Physical Therapy majors visit Capital University.....





*Parents/Caregivers - Register for Classes!

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 (Parents with Children under 12 months are allowed to bring their child to class.)



*** Eligibility:** Your child must live in the Licking Valley School District, and not be old enough to enroll in school.

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

Winter Class Date & Time:
Sat., January 26, 2013
****10:00-11:30**

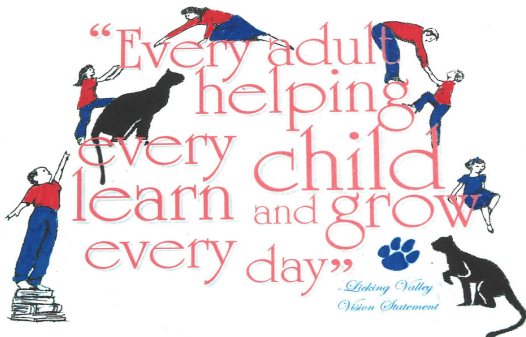
****If you are attending READY! for the first time you must attend an Orientation Class.**
9:30-10:00 Orientation Class for New Parents
(Materials will be distributed)
10:00-11:30 READY! Classes for all parents

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

If you have any questions, email us at:
ready4k@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us
Register for classes by calling
763-3525



Read 20 minutes a day!



**Licking Valley School District
Families getting READY! together
for school success!**

Sub Bus Drivers

The Licking Valley Local School District is in need of sub bus drivers. If you are interested, please contact: Mickie Archer, Transportation Director, 763-3775, or at archerm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us.



Minimum Qualifications:

- High School diploma.
- Complete application on Ohio REAP (www.ohreap.net)
- Complete Interview
- Complete a BCII (Bureau Criminal Identification & Investigation) & FBI (Federal) background check
Cost: \$50.00 and can be done at the District Office.
- Physical examination and drug testing. Random drug testing thru out employment.
- Purchase permit packet from Deputy Registrar - Cost:\$25.50.
- Complete pre-service training – 15-18 hours classroom instruction.
- Schedule written test (BMV Examiner Station). Permit is not valid until all the written tests are passed.
- Successfully complete pre-service on-bus driver instruction 12 hours minimum by certified on-bus instructor.
- Schedule skill test (approximately 90 minutes). Pre-Trip, Off Road, On Road
- Purchase C.D.L. (Deputy Registrar) Cost \$42.00
- Certificate (pre-service). Apply on line for Pre-Service Certificate (Application for training Certificate form).
- Apply for annual driving certificate issued by County, City, or Local Board.
- Complies with drug-free workplace rules and board policies.
- Satisfy any other polices or practices required by the local school district.
- Ability to assist students with disabilities.
- Ability to cope with stressful traffic, weather conditions, and passenger distractions.
- Demonstrates maturity and the ability to work with students and their families.
- Ability to work cooperatively and collaboratively as a member of a high-performing team.
- Have a positive attitude.
- Is willing to make a positive contribution to achieving the district's Mission, Vision and Goals.
- Demonstrates flexibility and a willingness to accept changes.

Book Fair and Artisan Show

December 10th - 14th
Sponsored by LVHS Media Center

Students and Local Artists will
feature their works along with a
Book Fair.

Open Mon., Wed., Fri.,
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Open Tues., Thur.
8:00 AM - 6:00 pm

Come shop with us!

Santa's Cocoa House
December 5th 6-8 PM
LVHS Media Center

To register your child contact:
LVHS Media Center, 763-3551

DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Licking Valley Sports Calendar can be found on the LVHS Web page under Contents /LV Athletic Dept. http://www.edline.net/pages/Licking_Valley_High_School						1 Varsity Wrestling @ Cambridge HS Play 7:00 PM Auditorium
2 HS Play 2:00 PM Auditorium	3	4 GBK Utica H C-TEC Sophomore Hands-On Day MS Winter Concert 7:00 PM BBK @ Lancaster	5 HS PLAN Test SANTA'S COCOA HOUSE 6 - 8 HS Library	6 BBK @ Licking Heights HS Winter Concert 7:00 PM Auditor.	7 GBK Cols Acad. H	8 ACT Testing BBK Bexley H
9	10 Board of Education 6:00 PM HS Library	11 LV FFA 7:00 BBK @ Big Walnut	12	13 GBK @ Northridge	14 BBK @ Cols Acad.	15 LV Middle School Wrestling Winter Classic
High School Book Fair and Artisan Show in Library M-W-F till 3:00 PM T-TH till 6:00						
16	17 Mrs. Bock's Gr. 1&2 Holiday Program 7:00 PM HS Aud.	18 BBK Whitehall H LV FFA Alumni, Inc. 7:30 PM	19 Varsity WR Quad Meet	20 Mr. Nethers Gr.1&2 Holiday Program 7:00 PM HS Aud.	21 GBK Heath H	22 BBK Granville H Varsity Wrestling LC Meet @ Licking Heights
23	24 LV District Office is closed for the day.	25 Christmas Day	26 WINTER BREAK LV District Office is closed for the day.	27	28 GBK @ Big Walnut	29
30	31 LV District Office is closed for the day.	JANUARY 1 New Year's Day	2 WINTER BREAK	3 GBK Lakewood H	4 BBK @ Heath	5 BBK Coshocton H GBK @ Newark Catholic



Notes From The Music Department

On Saturday, November 17, 2012, eleven Licking Valley students participated in the 2012 Ohio Music Education Association District 10 Honors Choir Festival at Delaware Hayes High School.

Middle School: Shelby Holbrook, Emma Doyle, Kolton Johnson, and Dean Miller.

High School: Demonica Rodgers, Megan Jones, Alex Shell, Zoey Harvey, David Martin,



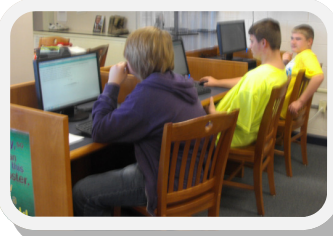


Students Hold Mock Election

On November 6th, 2012 the Elementary and Middle School PACE students helped to organize and facilitate Mock Elections at the Intermediate and Middle Schools. The Mock Elections were organized to make them as realistic as possible. Middle School students all had to fill out an Ohio Voter Registration Form ahead of time in their Social Studies classes. As students came to vote on November 6th, PACE students had to check their registration forms, and then have them sign in just as Ohio voters have to do.



Once they were checked in, students had to log on to a computer, cast their online ballot, and receive their "I Voted" sticker. The stickers were generously donated by the Licking County Board of Elections. At the end of the day, all votes were calculated online and results were announced by PACE students. At the Middle School, Mitt Romney won with 47.3% of the votes, Barack Obama received 46.5% of the votes while 3rd party candidates received 6.2% of the votes.



At the Intermediate building, all 4th and 5th grade PACE students assisted with the voting process. Students helped classes check in and log on to the computers to cast their votes. After students voted, they received their "I Voted" sticker on their way back to class. At the end of the students announced the results. Mitt Romney received 56.3% of the votes while Barack Obama received 43.8% of the votes. While both Mock Elections had different outcomes than the real election, students had a great learning experience on how Democracy works in our country.



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SCULPTURE TO ADORN NEW FIELD HOUSE

The Bowerston Shale Company has donated this beautiful and spectacular sculpture to the Licking Valley Schools for the new field house. The sculpture was designed and hand crafted by the enormously talented clay sculptor, Allen Moran. Allen has designed and sculpted, and Bowerston has donated, all of the brick sculptures that adorn our beautiful facilities. What tremendous gifts to the people of Licking Valley. Bowerston also donated all of the brick used in the construction of the field house, not to mention all of their donations to our other facilities. Bowerston is a generous friend of the Licking Valley Schools and we are so very grateful to them. This sculpture will be located right of the main entrance on the exterior of the building.



Breakfast with Santa



What: GREAT FOOD, X-MAS RAFFLES, & GAMES

When: Dec. 15th ; 9 am - 11:30 am

Where: Licking Valley Elementary School

Help Support **Lady Panthers Basketball**

SKI CLUB NEWS!



The Licking Valley Ski Club signed up over 60 members this year! We are all very excited for the upcoming season. Participants may pick up their pass from the main lobby front desk the day they open if they wish to go up prior to our first trip as a group. Check the Snow Trails website for updates on opening day.

The charter bus payment of \$60 is due no later than Friday, December, 7th. Please make checks payable to LICKING VALLEY SKI CLUB. The charter bus will be making its first trip to Snow Trails on Friday, January 4th. We are not in school, so we will be leaving from the high school at 12:30 p.m. and will return Friday night at 9:30 p.m.

The other scheduled dates for the charter bus riders are January 11th, January 25th, February 1st and February 8th. We will be leaving right after school and will return to the high school at 11:00 p.m. Please contact Miss Dudgeon in the high school or Mr. Hageman in the middle school if you have any questions.

LV BAND AND CHOIR POINSETTIA SALE

Dates: November 19 – November 30, 2012

Delivery: MS orders at LVMS Concert December 4th

HS orders at LVHS Concert December 6th



Name/Phone Number	Burgundy	Marble	Red	White	Pink	Total Qty	Total Due (Qty x 10.00)

Seller's Name: _____ **Grade:** _____
Phone Number: _____