

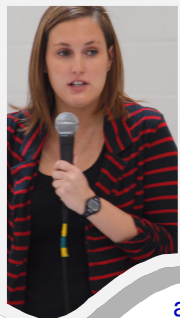
The Valley View

Licking Valley Local Schools

David Hile, Superintendent

Anti-Bullying Week

Laura Linden
School Counselor
Licking Valley Elementary



During the week of January 28th students at Licking Valley Intermediate participated in Anti-Bullying Week. Laura Linden, Elementary School Counselor organized and led the weeks activities. Students dressed for a theme each day.

Monday was wear green for:
Go help a classmate, tell an adult
if you see bullying!

Tuesday was wear red to:
Stop Bullying Now!



Wednesday was wear yellow to:
Caution bullies that there are people ready
to report incidents of bullying!

Thursday was wear black to:
Block out name calling!

Friday was school spirit day because:
We are a team against bullying!



Teachers spent time each day talking with students about bullying. Students also participated in an assembly on Tuesday where they learned how to be good bystanders if they saw bullying happen. All school staff, students and parents were invited to take an online survey about their views on bullying at Licking Valley.

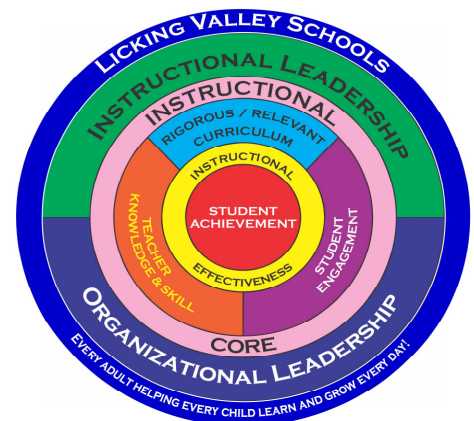


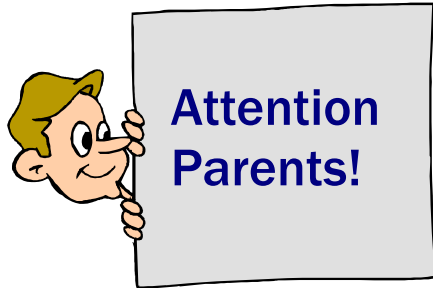
Licking Valley
39th Pre-Kindergarten Clinic
Wed., April 10, 2013
Thur., April 11, 2013

The pre-kindergarten clinic is instrumental in assuring that potential problems, which might interfere with a successful school experience for kindergarten students, will be identified and remediated as soon as possible.

Please call the LV Primary Elementary at 763-2865 after March 1, 2013 to make an appointment for your child.

Kindergarten students must be 5 on or before August 1st and a resident of the district.





Attention Parents!

High School: 763-3721
Attendance: 763-2118

Middle School: 763-3396
Attendance: 763-3935

Primary Elementary: 763-2865

Intermediate Elementary: 763-2031

Attendance:

The end of the first semester was January 17th, 2013, and we would like to take a moment to remind you that Ohio State Law requires every child between the ages of 6 and 18 be enrolled in school and his or her attendance monitored. When your child is absent from school, please call the attendance line at his/her building (available 24 hours a day) and let us know. Please make sure that upon his/her return to school that he/she has a written excuse from you, the parent, or a doctor in order for this absence to be excused. If no note is received your child is considered unexcused. When a student accumulates five (5) unexcused days in a row, or seven (7) in a thirty- day period of time, or twelve (12) in a school year, charges of delinquency and/or contributing to the unruliness of the student may be filed in Juvenile Court. The success of your child in the classroom depends on him/her being in class every day. Please make every effort to ensure your child is healthy, well-rested, and prepared to be at school each day.

Fee Reminder:

It is hard to believe we have entered the second half of the 2012-2013 school year. If you have not yet paid your student's school fees, please do so as soon as possible. The balance due is located in the upper right hand corner of your student's grade card for middle and high school students. Elementary student fees are \$20.00. If you need to make partial payments or other payment arrangements need to be made, please call your student's school. The E-Z pay system is also a great way to pay on your student's school fees, lunch account, etc.

- ◆ **Seniors must have all fee obligations paid before graduation.**
- ◆ **Open Enrollment students will not be considered for renewal unless all fees and balances due have been paid.**

Thank you for your prompt attention.



A Walk in Someone Else's Shoes

By Ann Jeffries, Advocate Reporter



Kayla Bayerl never thought a pair of muddy tennis shoes would make her cry. The seventh-grader had written a letter to WNCI radio host Kelsey Webb for a project, asking her to send some shoes and a letter describing a time in her life when she encountered empathy. Kayla was shocked when a pair of shoes that Webb used during a mud run arrived at Licking Valley Middle School. She was even more stunned when she read the letter that accompanied them. Webb wrote about the death of her stepmother and how her father's empathy during that time helped improve their relationship. At the end of the letter, she wrote that her father had died recently. "You never truly know how a person is feeling until you walk in their shoes." Webb wrote to Kayla, who cried reading the letter aloud. "The only thing you can offer is love and empathy."

The library at Licking Valley Middle School is full of shoes like the ones that Kayla received, many with letters about the effect of empathy. Principal Scott Beery said he hopes the shoes will inspire students to think about how they treat their classmates. "We still have work to do, but I think this has given the kids a clear perspective, in their language, to think about other people and think before they act."

This past spring, the middle school's language arts department began planning its annual summer reading program. With help from Beery, the teachers decided the program's theme would be empathy. The goal was to increase tolerance and prevent bullying, he said. "We are always trying to treat the symptoms of bullying," he said. "But you have to convey and teach kids what empathy is to stop it before it starts."

After reading books over the summer such as "Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key" and "Nightjohn," the students discussed them when they returned to school. To keep the momentum going, language arts teacher Traci Lausberg suggested a school project in which students would write to people they admire and ask them to tell a story about empathy and donate a pair of shoes. During the past few months, they've received shoes from several authors, musicians and TV personalities. Antonio Brown sent a signed pair of pink cleats that he wore for breast cancer awareness. Outdoor Channel star, Lee Lakosky sent a pair of signed camouflaged hunting boots. Some people, such as players from the Cleveland Browns, a NASCAR driver and Donald Trump haven't sent shoes, but they sent signed books, letters or other surprises.

New shoes and letters constantly are arriving at the office. Beery said he hopes the display in the library will continue to grow as students keep talking about empathy.

Nurse's Notes....Bonni Ghiloni, R.N. B.S.N.,

Licking Memorial Health Systems (LMHS) provides registration fee scholarships to children who, without this financial assistance, might not be able to participate in one of Licking County's youth recreational athletic leagues. The LMHS Youth League Scholarship program provides opportunities for area youth to participate in recreational team sports as part of our mission to improve the


health of the community. Participation in recreational team sports provides physical, mental and character-building benefits. To be eligible for the LMHS Youth League Scholarship program:

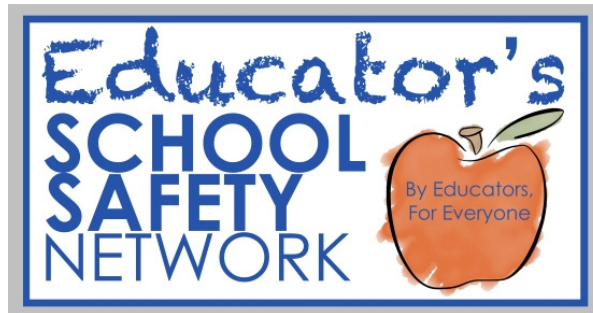
- Athlete must be a Licking County resident.
- Athlete must be age 15 or younger.
- Athlete participates in a minimum of 80% of the scheduled practices and games.

- Participation by a family member in at least one (1) volunteer opportunity during the scholarship season.
- Athlete or parent must have completed the youth league's registration form.
- Application must be completed by a parent, guardian, or head of household, with all requested information provided.

• Application must first be reviewed by the league and recommendation provided before consideration for LMHS assistance.
For a brochure contact Nurse Ghiloni at LVMS, 763-3396, or call the Licking Memorial Health Systems Development Department at (740) 348-4102, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
FEBRUARY IS AMERICAN HEART MONTH 					1 Tri BBK @ Granville	2 VWR @ Watkins JWR @ Whitehall Tri GBK @ Lakewood
3	4 Fr GBK @ Newark	5 Tri GBK Heath H	6 GBK @ Whitehall	7	8 GBK Newark Catholic H DISTRICT-WIDE PARENT MEETING 7:00 P.M. @ LVHS NO SCHOOL	9 JV WR @ Westerville N VWR @ Heath MSL Tourn. Tri BBK Lakewood H 8th Gr BBK MSL Tourn.
10	11 IES P/T Conferences LV Board of Education 6:00 PM	12 PES P/T Conferences MS P/T Conferences Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 PES and IES P/T Conferences MS P/T Conferences	15 NO SCHOOL	16 Tri BBK @ Newark Catholic
17	18 Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL	19	20	21	22 Washington's Birthday	23
24	25	26 Power of Positive Parenting 2nd Session 5:30-7 PM @ IES Cafeteria	27	28	SPRING BREAK MARCH 25-29, 2013	



**Licking Valley Local Schools
District-wide Parent Meeting
Friday, February 8, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

Licking Valley High School Auditorium

The Licking Valley School District is hosting a district-wide parent meeting featuring Dr. Amy Klinger of the Educators' School Safety Network. Dr. Klinger is a nationally-recognized school safety expert. With over 24 years of experience as an educator and administrator, she brings a practitioner's perspective to the critical concerns of school crisis response, with expertise in active shooter response, crisis planning and preparedness, vulnerability assessment and mitigation, as well as lockdown enhancements, Dr. Amy Klinger combines a knowledge of law enforcement procedures with the practical experience of educational administration.

Dr. Klinger is an Assistant Professor of Educational Administration at Ashland University and is the Director of Programming for the Educators' School Safety Network

Dr. Klinger will present some of the research from past school shootings and lessons learned, explain Licking Valley's vulnerability and intruder assessments, our new lockdown enhancements, and other school security improvements. Licking Valley school administrators and local first responders will also be there to answer parent questions.

This meeting follows two days of training for Licking Valley staff by Dr. Klinger and company held on September 28, 2012 and February 8, 2013. Student training will follow these sessions.



Classes for parents with children
 Infants (born after 7/31/11) to Age 5
Spring Class Date & Time:
Sat., April 20, 2013

****10:00-11:30**

*Parents/Caregivers - Register for Classes!

**If you are attending READY! for the first time you must attend an Orientation Class from 9:30 -10:00

By attending class you will receive:

- **FREE 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

If you have any questions, email us at:

ready4k@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

Register for classes by calling 763-3525

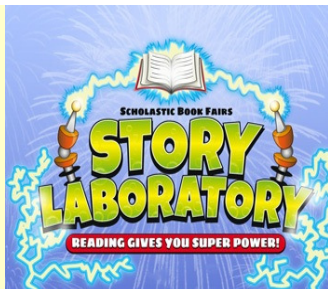
IT'S BOOK FAIR TIME!!!

Start saving your pennies!!!

The Elementary will be having Book Fair on the following dates.

Intermediate: Feb 4th -7th
 Primary: Feb 11th - 14th

The Book Fair will also be open during Parent/Teacher Conferences on Feb. 11th, 12th, and 14th.



Cafeteria News



CAFETERIA MILK STATEMENT

Licking Valley Local Schools offers the following milk options:

- 1% White Milk
- Fat Free Chocolate Milk

Milk substitutions are not made for lactose intolerant students, however, 8 oz. water is available to all students.

Sub Bus Drivers

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 before being considered for an interview.

Please call Mickie Archer at 740-763-3525 for details.



**STUDENTS
 AGAINST
 DESTRUCTIVE
 DECISIONS**

Share the Love

Suicide Prevention Awareness Night

Friday, February 15, 2013

6:30-9:30pm

All area High Schools are welcome to participate at Newark High School.

Reach out to those you love, eat pizza, hear from survivors and earn prizes.

Students can get materials in the LVHS office for sponsors and see Mrs. Adkins, HS English teacher for more information.

A really powerful way to spend 3 hours of your life!

SADD Fashion Show

Saturday, March 2, 2013

7:00 P.M.

LVHS Auditorium

The Licking Valley High School SADD Chapter is sponsoring a fashion show. Senior students will be modeling prom styles.

The SADD students are looking for sponsors for door prizes to be awarded during the fashion show. If you are interested in donating, please contact, Beth Adkins, adkinsb@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us would like to donate, or call 763-3721.

PANTHERS LACROSSE

Registration is ONLINE ONLY: LVLacrosse.com

Registration Deadline: Feb. 25TH

Fees include league fees where applicable, home game officials, coaches compensations, jersey rental and seasonal team supplies. Due to the local growth and extreme success at the high school level last year, we are pleased to announce that starting NOW we are building a team to play at the middle school level at Licking Valley for this spring.

This is a developmental team and no experience is necessary!



News From the Middle School

The 2013 eighth grade trip to Gettysburg is quickly approaching and we would like to remind parents of some important details of the trip so that you can plan accordingly.



150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg

Dates: May 5, 6, 7, 8, 2013

Charter buses will leave from in front of the middle school at 6:00 A.M. Sunday morning. There will be an informational meeting April 18, 2013, at 7:00 P.M. in the middle school gym to discuss final details of the trip.

Cost: \$375.00 per person. The checks should be made payable to LVMS. This year there is room for a total of 216 individuals. Currently 185 are registered for the trip. There have been a number of individuals that have expressed interest in going but have not submitted a deposit. We suggest that you submit some portion of a deposit to reserve your spot. The date for us to give our final list to the company that handles the reservations is rapidly approaching.

Chaperones: We highly encourage parents to go as their son/daughter's chaperone. We also have had grandparents, aunts, uncles and older brothers/sisters go as chaperones. The age requirement is they must be at least 24 years-old. If you are going as a chaperone on the trip you need to get an appointment made at the district office to get a background check. This is not an additional cost to you, but you will need to have your driver's license and call for an appointment time. The number is: 763-2911 or 763-3525

Rooming: Rooming sign-up sheets will be passed out in March. At this time students will be instructed to submit their request within the week. The room should include their adult chaperone, themselves and two (2) friends for a total of four (4). We will do everything we can to honor their request but please understand that the room must have an adult and we would prefer that the adult is someone they are familiar with. If your son/daughter is going and you are not going with them, we ask that you help with the rooming process by helping them decide who their adult chaperone will be.

Grades/behavior: Please remind your son/daughter about the agreement that was signed and how important it is for them to be ever mindful of their grades and behavior so they do not lose their privilege of going on the trip.

Applications for placing the wreath on the Tomb of the Unknowns:

The applications have been offered and are available on our web page and Edline for any student who would like to be selected for this honor. The deadline for the applications is Thursday, February 14, 2013.

If you have any other questions please call the middle school at: 763-3396 or email Mr. Hageman at:

hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

LVHS GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

It is time to begin scheduling for the 2013-2014 school year. The process will be different for your student this year than it has been in the past.

Sophomores will have a whole group informational meeting about scheduling on **Tuesday, February 5** with the counselors. Each student will then have an individual scheduling meeting with their counselor between February 13-19. Students will discuss their career interests, PLAN (practice ACT) results, MyMajors (career interest inventory) results and academic history with their counselor and work to select an academic major for their junior and senior year. We will also work with the student to select courses based upon their major of choice and their remaining graduation requirements.

Tuesday, February 26 at 7:00 P.M., we will have an informational meeting for sophomore parents in the school auditorium. We will be discussing the academic majors program and providing each parent with their student's individual PLAN scores, MyMajors results, academic transcript, major and course selection. Parents will be invited to make individual appointments with their student's counselor if they have any questions or concerns or would like to make any changes.

We are asking that all scheduling changes and counselor meetings relating to majors and scheduling be done by Friday, March 8.

All sophomore students will select a major and courses for next year. Those who are later accepted to C-TEC will have their schedule pulled at the time that decision is made.

Post-Secondary Educational Options Thursday, February 7 at 6:00 P.M. LVHS Auditorium

Students who are interested in participating in the PSEO program next year should attend with a parent. The PSEO program allows students in 9th through 12th grade to attend classes on a college campus to earn college credit while in high school. This is a State of Ohio program and the state requires attendance of a parent or guardian at this informational meeting, in order for a student to participate. If you have attended one of these meetings in a previous year, you do not need to come again, unless you are looking to refresh yourself on the information.

Licking Valley also offers multiple Advanced Placement (AP) courses and a Kenyon Academic Partnership (KAP) English course in which it is possible for high school students to earn college credits. We will also be discussing these options. Attendance at the meeting is not required for participation in AP or KAP, although we do think it is beneficial.

8TH GRADE: Tuesday 2/12/13 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. @ MS - High School Counselors will be available to meet with students and parents during MS parent/teacher conferences.

Please contact your student's counselor with any questions you may have.

Courtney Lichtenauer, School Counselor (Last names A-K)
lichtenauerc@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us
763-3407

Shona Garver, School Counselor (Last names L-Z)
garvers@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us
763-2158

PIZZA HUT



Bring your friends and family to eat or carry out

February 12th, 2013

4-8 P.M

At the Heath Pizza Hut

Located at 846 Hebron Road

**100% tips and 10 % of the sales will support your
Licking Valley High School Renaissance!**

**Please attend and your name will be entered into a drawing.
There will also be a bake sale going on.**

**Come out, enjoy great pizza, desserts,
and support your fellow students!!**

Bring this flyer with you and present it when you check out!

Before you



THINK

T = Is it True?

H = Is it Helpful?

I = Is it Inspiring?

N = Is it Necessary?

K = Is it Kind?