

LICKING VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

THE VALLEY VIEW

Every adult helping every child learn and grow every day.



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Licking Valley Winter Games



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The month of February gave Valley administrators their own version of the "Olympic Winter Games". Do we dismiss early? Do we have a two hour delay? Do we cancel school for the day? When should planned events be rescheduled? Where can we put all this snow?



The Licking Valley School district used one calamity day on January 8, 2010 and then the snow came and came and came some more, causing school to be canceled February 9, 10, 11 and then again February 16, 17.

"The Board of Education" recognizes that the preparation of a calendar for the instructional program of the schools is necessary for orderly educational planning and for the efficient operation of the District. The Board shall determine annually the total number of days when the schools will be in session for instructional purposes. These days are based on the number of days required by the State to receive school aid.



Prior to each school year, the Board shall approve the contingency plan the Superintendent prepares for make-up of lost school days that cannot be waived according to State provisions.

Licking Valley currently has one day to make up for the 09-10 school year.

It is as follows:

Monday, March 29, 2010 This is the first day of Spring Break.



By law, Ohio school districts must provide a school calendar that includes 180 instructional days for students, minus two days out to reimburse teachers for additional hours spent in parent-teacher conferences that occur after their regular contract day. That means that most school districts have scheduled 178 student days into their annual calendars. By law, Ohio school districts were given

five calamity days, often referred to as snow days, for which they could close school due to various conditions that may make it unsafe for students to travel to or be at school, and this includes severe weather conditions as well as other circumstances such as power outages, etc.

With passage of Ohio House Bill (H.B.) 1, which included Gov. Strickland's education reform package, **the number of calamity days has been reduced for the 2010-2011 school year from 5 days to 3 days.** This is

an important point, and there is a great deal of confusion about this aspect of the change. The change does not apply to this school year, it applies next school year (2010-11) and the way the law reads, it ONLY APPLIES TO THE 2010-11 school year; we don't know yet how many calamity days districts will be allotted for succeeding years. Because this is determined by law, there will have to be an act of the state legislature signed by the governor to determine the number of calamity days for the 2011-12

school year and beyond. When that occurs, we will let you know what they have decided.



**8th Grade Girls
Basketball Team
Undefeated**



Licking Valley's 8th grade girls basketball team capped an undefeated season on Saturday, February 20, by beating Whitehall 42-20 in the Mid-State League Tournament. Valley went 14-0 in the regular season, then won all three games in the MSL tournament.

**LV MIDDLE SCHOOL MURDER
MYSTERY DINNER THEATER**

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**Friday, March 12, 2010
6:00 P.M.**

**Marne United Methodist Church
763-4333**

**Saturday, March 13, 2010
6:00 P.M.**

Christ Lutheran Church, 522-4505

Reservations must be made in advance by calling each respective church office. For more information, please contact Kathy Mehler, MS Play Advisor, 763-3396.

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**Licking Valley
36th Pre-Kindergarten Clinic
Wed., April 14, 2010
Thur., April 15, 2010**

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.

Kindergarten students must be 5 on or before August 1st.

Please call the LV Primary Elementary at 763-2865 to make an appointment for your child.



LV Wrestling Panthers

On Saturday, February 20 the Panthers wrestling team did more than just advance from sectional to district competition; they sent 10 wrestlers through to the next level (the most ever) and won the team sectional title for the first time in at least 15 years. Congratulations to Coach Tate and the wrestlers!

Licking County Foundation Presents Superintendent With Grant

On February 22, Superintendent Dave Hile was presented with the Tibbie Leslie Travel Grant from the Licking County Foundation's Governing Committee. The grant is for the purpose of travel for Mr. Hile's China Exchange Initiative sponsored by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE), the Buckeye Association of Administrators (BASA) and the Ohio Association of Secondary School Administrators (OASSA).



Mr. Hile was one of only 10 selected for the State of Ohio for this program. In November a guest administrator from China spent a week in our district observing our school system. Mr. Hile will go to China for two weeks in April to study the Chinese education system. This is a very exciting opportunity to make a connection with a Chinese educator, build what will be a long, friendly and mutually productive personal and professional relationship that will benefit both the Chinese educator and the Licking Valley Schools.

Licking Valley Local School District
2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT
Thursday, August 19, 2010	Certified Professional Development Day
Friday, August 20, 2010	Local Staff Convocation Day
Monday, August 23, 2010	First Student Day
Monday, September 6, 2010 - NO SCHOOL	Labor Day
Friday, October 15, 2010 - NO SCHOOL	
Friday, October 22, 2010	End 1st nine weeks - 43 days in session
Monday, October 25, 2010	Begin 2nd nine weeks
Friday, November 12, 2010 - NO SCHOOL	Veteran's Day
Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26, 2010 - NO SCHOOL	Thanksgiving Recess
Monday, November 29, 2010 - NO SCHOOL	Comp. Day for P/T Conferences
Monday, December 20, 2010 through Friday, December 31, 2010 - NO SCHOOL	Winter Break
Monday, January 3, 2011	School resumes
Thursday, January 13, 2011	End 2nd nine weeks - 45 days in session
Friday, January 14, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Teacher Records Day
Monday, January 17, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Martin Luther King Day
Tuesday, January 18, 2011	Begin 3rd nine weeks
Friday, February 18, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Comp. Day for P/T Conferences
Monday, February 21, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Presidents' Day Recognition
Friday, March 25, 2011	End 3rd nine weeks for LVES/LVMS 47 days in session
Monday, March 28 through Friday, April 1, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Spring Break
Monday, April 4, 2011	Begin 4th nine weeks
Friday, April 22, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Good Friday
Sunday, May 29, 2011	Graduation Day
Monday, May 30, 2011 - NO SCHOOL	Memorial Day
Friday, June 3, 2011	Last Student Day - 43 days in session
Monday, June 6, 2011	Teacher Records Day

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Read together 20 minutes every day.

 The Children's Reading Foundation of Licking County

2010-2011 Open Enrollment applications are now available on-line.

**LV Athletic Boosters
Annual Sports Dinner and Auction
MARCH 6, 2010
LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

**Doors Open 4:00 P.M.
Dinner 4:30 P.M.
Live Auction 6:00 P.M.**

Tickets: \$15.00 each or 2/\$25.00

Dinner Catered by The Grill

Call: 763-2542, 763-4966, 763-4446 or 763-3180 to purchase tickets or to make a donation.

Tickets can also be purchased at the Athletic Director's office during school hours.

April 2010

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 EASTER SUNDAY	5 BB Granville V-A/JV-H SB Granville V-A/JV-H Board of Ed 6:00	6 BB River View V-H/JV-A SB River View V-H/JV-A	7 BB Newark Catholic V-H/JV-A SB Newark Catholic V-H/JV-A	8 DICK HOUSTON RELAYS	9 BB Heath V-A/JV-H SB Heath V-A/JV-H	10 ACT TR Granville Inv. MS Solo Ensemble @ River View
11 BB-Baseball SB-Softball V-Varsity JV-Jr. Varsity TR-Track	12 BB Whitehall V-H/JV-A SB Whitehall V-H/JV-A	13 LV FFA 7:00	14 BB Cols. Academy V-A/JV-H Financial Task Force 7:00 Kindergarten Clinic	15 BB Philo V-H/JV-A	16 BB Bexley V-A/JV-H SB Bexley V-A/JV-H HS Spring Musical 7:30	17 TR Hank Smith Inv. HS Spring Musical 7:30
18	19 BB Lakewood V-H/JV-A SB Lakewood V-H/JV-A	20 LV FFA Alumni, Inc 7:30 LV Music Boosters 7:00 Elem Market Day	21 BB Granville V-H/JV-A SB Granville V-H/JV-A C-TEC Shadow Day SECRETARIES DAY	22 EARTH DAY	23 BB Newark Catholic V-A/JV-H SB Newark Catholic V-A/JV-H	24 TR New Philadelphia Inv.
April 19-May 7 OAT Grades 3-8						
25 National Honor Society Induction	26 BB Heath V-H/JV-A SB Heath V-H/JV-A LV Athletic Boosters 7:00 Kindergarten Program @ HS 6:30	27	28 BB Whitehall V-A/JV-H SB Whitehall V-A/JV-H	29 TR LV Invitational	30 BB Cols. Academy V-H/JV-A	State FFA Convention April 30-May 1