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# THE VALLEY VIEW

Licking Valley Local Schools

David Hile, Superintendent

## The Financial Stability of the Licking Valley Local Schools by David Hile, Superintendent

May 18-20  
LVES 5th Grade Students  
Washington D.C. Trip

May 22  
Senior Awards Banquet  
Hosted by HS Renaissance  
3:30 P.M.

May 24  
LVMS Guitar Recital

May 25  
5th Gr. Recognition  
7:00 P.M.

May 26  
LVHS Underclassmen  
Awards  
Hosted by HS Renaissance  
During School Day

May 27  
Mandatory Graduation  
Practice

SUNDAY, MAY 29  
52nd GRADUATION

NO SCHOOL  
May 30, 2011  
Memorial Day Observed

FRIDAY, JUNE 3  
LAST STUDENT DAY

LV Intermediate School  
Grade Cards/Class  
Assignments for 2011-12  
will be mailed  
Week of June 13

MONDAY, August 22, 2011  
FIRST STUDENT DAY

As you know, the world, our nation and our state have been through what many have termed the Great Recession over the past several years. The nation has a \$14 trillion debt, a \$1.7 trillion budget deficit and the state of Ohio has an \$8 billion deficit. When you read or watch the news, you see that many, and sometimes it seems that all, school districts are in dire straits and going back to their communities with new requests for additional operating funds. In this context, I would think that many of you, LV residents, have scratched your head and asked yourselves, "I wonder how the LV Schools are doing financially?" Well, recently, Jo Lynn Torbert, our treasurer, and I have been trying to address that very question with our stakeholders.

Six years ago, we established a Finance Task Force (FTF), which consists of community members and LV staff members. The FTF meets three times per year, fall, winter and spring, and during these meetings, Jo Lynn and I present the current finances of the district and have discussions about where our money comes from and where it goes. We also discuss near-term and long-term plans for pursuing our vision of **every adult helping every child learn and grow every day**. Following this spring's meeting with the FTF, Jo Lynn and I held additional meetings open to the entire staff because we knew they were most likely asking themselves, "I wonder how the LV Schools are doing financially?"

In these meetings we explained our revenue sources, our expenditures and how the recent \$3.1 billion dollar cut to state education funding in Gov. Kasich's budget bill will impact the district. The fact is that the district is experiencing significant losses of revenue in multiple revenue streams, most notably a loss of \$1.2 million dollars over the next four years from the abrupt end to the phase out of the Tangible Personal Property Tax, which was a tax on business inventory and property. Nonetheless, due to long-term, prudent and conservative financial planning and strict control of our expenditures, which has led to the accumulation of an ample cash balance, the Licking Valley Local School District remains on very sound financial footing going forward into the near future. With continued long-term, prudent and conservative financial planning and strict control of our expenditures that cash balance is going to buy us a few more years in the black, giving the economy more time to stabilize and grow, which should benefit the district via our income tax and other revenue streams. The bottom line is that we feel that we have taken the state's stiffest punch to public education funding to date, and we are still standing in the black, moving the district forward educationally so that we can provide our students with an education relevant to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century without asking our community for additional tax dollars to make it happen. In fact, we are proud to report that the Licking Valley Local Schools is at 18 years and counting without asking our community for additional operating dollars, and right now we have no plans to do so in the near future.

## District Newsletter and Annual Calendar Going Green

The May/June 2011 issue of the Valley View newsletter is the last hard copy issue to be mailed. The Licking Valley Local School District will begin distributing the district newsletter via e-mail and posting the newsletter on the district's web site. We will be using our parent e-mail data base to distribute the newsletter. Be sure to let the schools know of any email changes you may have. If you do not have a student in the district and would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail please contact Laura Lahmers at [lahmersl@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](mailto:lahmersl@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us)

The **Licking Valley Annual Report 2010-2011/Calendar for 2011-2012** will not be sent out in the mail this year, but will be available to view on the district's web site in late July or early August.



# High School Academic Awards 2010-2011

On Sunday, May 22nd and Thursday, May 26th Licking Valley High School Renaissance will be hosting the Senior Awards Banquet and the Underclassmen Awards Banquet. Renaissance will be recognizing students who have achieved 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year honors in addition to departmental awards, and scholarships for seniors. Seniors that will be recognized at the May 22nd Senior Awards Banquet should receive an invitation by mail; RSVP is necessary. All underclassmen students are eligible to attend the Underclassmen Awards Banquet which will take place at 1:00 p.m. on May 26th.

## FIRST YEAR AWARDS

### Freshmen

Abigail Bailey  
Skyler Barnhart  
Isabella Brechbill  
Caleb Britton  
Emily Brunson  
Danielle Buchbinder  
Charles Burwell  
Blake Butler  
Seth Canter  
Nathan Carpenter  
Christopher Carson  
Bryce Cartwright  
Kayla Duvall  
Emily Fleming  
Grant Garber  
Celena Gilmore  
April Ginnery  
Ty Griffith  
Marshal Hall  
Matthew Hartshorn  
Hunter Hartshorn  
Celeste Hinerman  
Justin Holman  
Austin Hunter  
Natalie Hurst  
Hannah Hykes  
Megan Jones  
Weslee Kelly  
Carrie McArtor  
Joseph McClain  
Montana Mentz  
David Mohler  
Cierra Moore  
Eulisa Moore  
Sara Moran  
Scott Morris  
Morgan Nethers  
Mazie Powell  
Craig Prince  
Nicole Rafferty  
Ronald Richardson, III  
Shelby Robinson  
Devin Shannon  
Austin Skeese  
Montanna Stanley  
Cassi Stein  
Destinee Strohacker  
Callie Torbert  
Dakota Tudor  
Skylar Ulry  
Gabriel Valentine  
Ryan Vlachos  
Seth Walpole  
Brady Wilson  
Brittney Wilson  
Wyatt Wortkottter  
Jessica Wright  
Sykora Zabel

## FIRST YEAR AWARDS

### Sophomores

Brittany Baker  
Caleb Brown  
Michele Cox  
Paige Estep  
James Galloway, III  
Steven Hess  
Aubrey Keyse  
Aaron Kinney  
Tyler Kuhnes

David Martin  
Emily May  
Courtney Mayes  
Thomas Wogan  
Dexter Wollenburg

## FIRST YEAR AWARDS

### Juniors

Landon Adrian  
Shelby Amos  
James Ball  
Thomas Calendine  
Rachael Cotrell  
Nathaniel Crosby  
Tiffany Darnes  
Taylor Friend  
Morgan Linn  
Leeann Mohler  
Chelsea Sammons  
Kaitlin White

## FIRST YEAR AWARDS

### Seniors

Russell Jewell  
Tyler Ross

## SECOND YEAR AWARDS

### Sophomores

Michale Adam  
Halley Anderson  
Zachary Anderson  
Eric Bell  
Brooke Bennett  
Brock Bradley  
Andrew Buchbinder  
Mackenzie Butler  
Taylor Carmer  
Devin Carr  
Aurora Chalfant  
Chandler Cook  
Cara Dillon  
Samantha Eckhart  
Joshua Ellis  
Taylor Ellis  
Clayton Embrey  
Abigail Evans  
Meghan Fracker  
Jessica Gayheart  
Hunter Hall  
Ashley Haren  
Emily Harrington  
Zoey Harvey  
Donald Helton  
Marissa Hupp  
Kassia Johnson  
Lacie Keyse  
Marissa Klein  
Jennifer Lake  
Philip Lehman  
Ashley Marinik  
Drew McArtor  
Hayden McClain  
Nathan McCown  
Mara Miltimore  
Ross Nash  
Caleb Nethers  
Josie Nethers  
Olivia Pettet  
Averi Rice  
Rachel Roberts  
Kailey Rutherford

Shawn Sapp  
Jared Schindler  
Alexandrea Shell  
Ryan Shepherd  
Abraham Smith  
John Stephens  
Nathanael Thompson  
Taylor Tolley  
Nicholas Toomey  
Whitley Trusler  
Joanna Tudor  
Marley Young

## SECOND YEAR AWARDS

### Juniors

Ashley Archer  
Aaron Bachelor  
Kyle Blosser  
Evan Cockrell  
Tasha Geer  
Amanda Jewell  
Cody Lang  
Cirsten Lindsey  
Victoria Mordaunt  
Paul Nuzum  
Madison O'Hara  
Brittany Pfouts  
Megan Redman  
Shane Richards  
Lauren Richardson  
Zachary Roberts  
Rickey Wilson

## SECOND YEAR AWARDS

### Seniors

Justin Beck  
Austin Careins  
Paige Estep  
Megan Fitzgerald  
Lissa German  
Adam Gossett  
Elizabeth Mascari  
Veronica Nott  
Seara Wilson  
Cory Workman  
Regan Yontz

## THIRD YEAR AWARDS

### Juniors

John Barrett  
Nathan Bauer  
Michael Bowden  
Melodie Clay  
Kourtney Cline  
Kevin Copley  
Samantha Crain  
Kindle Crossley  
Tyler Cunningham  
Kyle Evans  
Jacob Griffith  
Tyler Harble  
Tara Hill  
Marcie Hindel  
Trace Johnson  
Savannah Justus  
Shyla Krearer  
William Lee  
Rian Lees  
Stephana Lollo  
Drake McArtor  
Matthew McClain

Zane Mealick  
Katelyn Melrose  
Tamara Melrose  
Alexis Mitchell  
Tori Montgomery  
Jordan Moore  
Nathan Moore  
Leigha Moran  
Caleb Myers  
Zachary Nagy  
Taylor Osborn  
Hayden Ourant  
Brandon Paul  
Jeni Romine  
Kerry Shannon  
Lauren Snyder  
Avery Stalnaker  
Jessica Stephens  
Shayna Stolte  
Jessica Strelecky  
Kaylee Strohacker  
Payton Teter  
Trent Ware  
Benjamin Wilson  
Thor Wolford  
Jenny Wright

## THIRD YEAR AWARDS

### Seniors

Tesse Griffith  
Kirstie Harman  
Tracy Keck  
Kassandra Klein  
Lyndsey long  
Jeremiah Moore  
Ryne Morgan  
Samantha Sforza  
Shawna Toomey  
Lauren Troyer  
Kelly Wills

## FOURTH YEAR AWARDS

### Seniors

Kelsey Boyer  
Jeffrey Cline  
Brittany Curry  
Hanna Dodson  
Julia Dougherty  
Stephen Fadley  
Treovr Glossdr  
Bryant Haren  
Matthew Hart  
Mariah Hess  
Katelyn Hottz  
Paige John  
Alexander Oakley  
Morgan Overbey  
Aundrea Partin  
Daniel Pfeffer  
Justin Price  
Josef Romine  
Jacqueline Sawyer  
Sarah Siegrist  
Ashley Smith  
Jakob Stallworth  
Paige Swearingen  
Mariah Swisher  
Mitchell Toomey  
Graciana Wolford

May 20 8:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. May 21 10:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M. LVHS Media Center Art Show  
Local artists and students will be showcasing and selling their art. The public is welcome to attend.



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**2011 Junior Olympics**



**LICKING VALLEY  
NIGHT AT THE  
SETTLERS  
JULY 1, 2011  
7:00 P.M.**

**Come and enjoy an evening out at  
the ballpark with the family.  
Games are played at  
Don Edwards Park.**

**“Panther Pride”**



**2nd Annual Panther Scholarship 5K Run** was held Saturday, April 30th.

Check us out on Facebook by searching Licking Valley Annual Panther Scholarship 5K Run.  
Proceeds provide scholarships for the Class of 2011.

