

The Valley View

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LOCAL SCHOOLS

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David Hile, Superintendent

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Classes for parents with children
Infants (born after 7/31/12) to Age 5

Winter Class Date & Time:

Sat., January 25, 2014

February 1, 2014 snow date

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

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

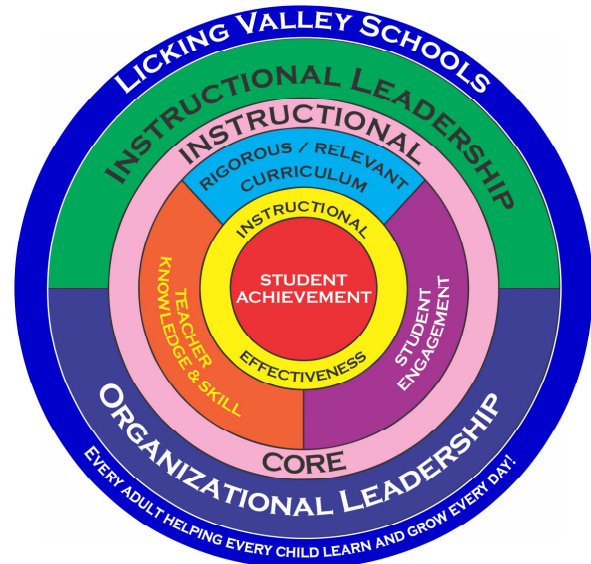
By attending class you will receive:

- **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

**Parents/Caregivers - Register for Classes by calling
763-3525**



Licking Valley Athletic Boosters

Tickets are now available for the 2013-2014 "300 Club" at \$20.00 per ticket. Membership entitles you to participate in drawings for cash prizes. Contact Jo Lynn Torbert, 763-3525, or Luann Fulk, 763-3703 to purchase a ticket.

- (40) \$ 50.00 Weekly Prizes
- (6) \$ 25.00 Year End Prizes
- (4) \$ 50.00 Year End Prizes
- (5) \$100.00 Year End Prizes
- (1) \$150.00 Year End Prize

Total Payout: \$3,000.00

No Flu for You!

Flu Information for Parents

Flu season is upon us. We all want to avoid the flu. Here are some suggestions to keep you and your child from getting sick this flu season:



Flu Prevention



1. Vaccination. Everyone over the age of 6 months should get a flu vaccination every year. The vaccine may be a nose spray or shot. It's not too late to get a flu vaccine this school year.



2. Wash your hands. Hands should be washed frequently with soap and water or an alcohol hand rub.



3. Cover your cough and sneeze. Everyone should cough or sneeze into a tissue or their sleeve. The tissue should be thrown away immediately and hands washed.



4. Good health habits. Getting enough sleep, exercising, eating a healthy diet, drinking plenty of fluids and avoiding stress and people who are sick will help keep you and your family well this flu season.

What if YOU have the flu?

Flu can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. People who have the flu often feel some or all of these symptoms:

- Fever or feeling feverish/chills
- Sore throat
- Muscle or body aches
- Fatigue (tiredness)
- Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children than adults.
- Cough
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Headaches

If you or your child has these symptoms, you should stay home from work, child care or school until fever-free (without the use of fever-reducing medication) for 24 hours.

Some groups of people, such as pregnant women, the very young and old and those with chronic illnesses, are at greater risk of complications if they get the flu. Those people should contact their healthcare provider for treatment as soon as possible if they have these symptoms.

**Note: children 18 years of age or younger should never be given aspirin when they have flu symptoms due to the risk of Reye's Syndrome. Use one of the other fever/pain reducing medications such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen instead.*

If your healthcare provider prescribes an anti-viral medication for you, take it as prescribed until it is all gone.



The Benefits of Parent Involvement

Researchers have evidence for the positive effects of parent involvement on children, families, and school when schools and parents continuously support and encourage the children's learning and development (Eccles & Harold, 1993; Illinois State Board of Education, 1993).

According to Henderson and Berla (1994), "the most accurate predictor of a student's achievement in school is not income or social status but the extent to which that student's family is able to:

1. Create a home environment that encourages learning
2. Express high (but not unrealistic) expectations for their child's achievement and future careers
3. Become involved in their children's education at school and in the community

Benefits for the Children

1. Children generally achieve better grades, test scores, and attendance.
2. Children have better self-esteem, are more self-disciplined, and show higher aspirations and motivation towards school.
3. Children consistently complete their homework.
4. Fewer children are placed in special education and remedial classes.
5. Children's positive attitude about school often results in improved behavior in school and less suspension for disciplinary reasons.

Other Benefits

1. Parents have stronger ties and commitment to the school.
2. Parents increase their interaction and discussion with their children.
3. Consistent parent involvement leads to improved communication and relations between parents, teachers, and administrators.

Mark McDaniel
Director of Student Services

Search for Children with Disabilities

School districts throughout Ohio actively participate in an effort to identify, locate and evaluate all children with disabilities birth through age 21. By disability, we mean conditions such as multiple disabilities, hearing impairment, visual impairment, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, emotional disturbance, cognitive disability, specific learning disability, speech and/or language disability, autism and traumatic brain injury. Many children with disabilities are not visible because they do not function in the main stream of the community. Also, many unidentified children with disabilities are preschoolers. Parents may not be aware that programs and services are available. If you know of a child with a disability, please contact:

**Kelly Roudabush, School Psychologist, 763-3105 or
Mark McDaniel, Director of Student Services, 763-2897**

LVHS

National Honor Society News

Talent Show

The National Honor Society is hosting the annual Talent Show on Wednesday, November 27th at 1:30 in the high school auditorium. We are looking forward to hearing the talents of Aaron Banks, Fionna Carr, Devin McArtor, Jacob Palmer, Theresa Selfe, Nathan Stanson, Autumn Swartz, Cody Tudor, Zoe Weaver and Wyatt Worketter. The \$1 admission charge will be donated to support the local YES CLUB. Best of luck to all performers!

Families Helping Families

The Licking Valley High School National Honor Society would like to thank everyone who has graciously sponsored children for this year's Families Helping Families, supported by the Licking County Job and Family Services. As a district we have adopted 52 children! The National Honor Society students are looking forward to delivering the gifts to Job and Family Services on December 12th. In addition, we will be spending the day at the Salvation Army on December 19th to assist families who are picking up gifts for their children.

Ski Club

The Licking Valley Ski Club is gearing up once again for another season on the slopes! All passes have been purchased and pictures for the student IDs will be taken prior to Thanksgiving Break. Participants may begin using their passes the day Snow Trails opens. The \$85 fee for participants riding the charter bus is due to Miss Dudgeon in the high school or Mr. Hageman in the middle school by December 13th. The charter bus will pick up students from the middle school and then depart from the high school at 2:45 pm and return by 11:00 pm. The dates for the charter bus trips are: January 10th, 17th, 24th, February 7th and February 21.

Eighth Grade Gettysburg Trip:

The first deposit was due November 15, but it is not too late to get a deposit in to secure your spot on the trip. We encourage parents to go as chaperones. If you are going as a chaperon please contact the district office to make an appointment to get fingerprinted. There is no additional cost for the fingerprinting. The applications for students who wish to place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns will be passed out after we return from the Christmas break. Any questions please call or email Mr. Hageman; hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

Local High Schools Unite for Common Cause

Licking Valley High School to host a White Out with Johnstown-Monroe High School to support the American Heart Association

Contact: Tricia Phelps
phelpst@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

What is normally two schools competing against each other will become two uniting for a common cause – fighting heart disease and stroke. Licking Valley High School will host a White Out with Johnstown-Monroe High School at the Friday, January 31st home basketball game.

The White Out encourages all event attendees to wear white to raise awareness of the nation's No. 1 killer – heart disease. The schools are selling white 'Get Fired Up' t-shirts leading up to the game for \$10 each to raise money to fund the fight against this deadly disease. The event is being organized by Licking Valley High School's Renaissance Leadership Students and the cheerleaders at Johnstown-Monroe. The Renaissance students and cheerleaders are serving in leadership roles to plan the white out event as part of their service to their school and community.



During the 2013-2014 basketball season, several local high schools throughout Licking County and Central Ohio are hosting White Out events to raise awareness around heart disease and stroke, encourage students to raise funds to support the American Heart Association, while focusing on community service. All funds raised are dedicated to research, community education and advocacy efforts. To support Licking Valley's White Out contact Tricia Phelps- phelpst@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us.



Congratulations to the Licking Valley students that attended the Ohio Music Education Association District 10 Honors Choir at Delaware Hayes High School on Saturday, November 16. they were: Jada Bowers, Amber Wireman, Chase Keener, Andrew Selfe, Carly Hurst, Salina Posey, Fiona Carr, Haylie Schmoll, Zach Hone, Mikey Truex, Oren Greeley and Jon Day.



Santa's Cocoa House

WHEN: December 4, 2013

WHERE: Licking Valley High School Library

TIME: 6:00-8:00 PM

You don't need to fly, it's okay to waddle,

The penguins are ready for Christmas, full throttle!

So jump on an iceberg and set sail this way

To Santa's Cocoa House, where penguins Read and Play!

Please join us for a wonderful time of reading, making a craft,

Having your picture taken with Santa, and so much more!

Please remember to bring a canned good, for a local food pantry, a snack to share, (a dozen cookies or a bag of treats) and a stamped, self addressed envelope for Santa's letter to YOU!

Call Tracy or Charlene at 763-3551 to register.

The Penguins & Santa are waiting!



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NEW GRADING SYSTEM AT LICKING VALLEY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

November 15th, marked the end of the first trimester for Intermediate staff and students. Our building made the switch from quarters to trimesters this year in order to accommodate changes in our building grading policies. We have also made several changes in our grade cards in order to better communicate student achievement with our families. Grade cards will be sent home with students on Friday, November 22nd. The first trimester Renaissance assemblies will take place on Wednesday, November 27th.

The new grade cards will look very similar to the midterm reports that were sent home in October. Students will receive a letter grade in each academic subject area, which will reflect the student's performance on assessments in that subject. The grade cards will also include a "personal achievements/work habits" section that will include information about work completion, behavior, effort, and cooperation. In the past, these factors could be included in grades in a variety of ways that could skew the picture of a student's achievement. By reporting these factors separately, we are giving a clearer picture of each individual learner. The letter grade will reflect only the student's mastery of the concepts taught, while the work habits section will communicate information about behavior and responsibility.



You Are Invited to Attend Triple P!

Laura Linden, Elementary Guidance Counselor

Kids don't come with an instruction manual so when it comes to parenting, how do you know what's best and what works?

The Triple P - **Positive Parenting Program** is one of the world's most effective parenting programs because it's one of the few that's been scientifically proven to work. Over more than 30 years, Triple P has helped hundreds of thousands families around the world deal with issues ranging from temper tantrums to disobedience, bedtime dramas to homework battles, schoolyard bullying to teenage rebellion.



Parents are invited to join Laura Linden, Elementary School Counselor, and AJ Hoffman, Assistant Principal, for a Triple P Breakfast the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Date: Wednesday, December 18th

Wednesday, January 15th

Time: 9:00 am - 9:30 am

Place: Primary Cafeteria

*The December discussion will be about stealing. We will go over some suggestions to help you teach your child to be honest and trustworthy and ask before they take things.

*The January discussion will be about children who are being bullied. We will go over some suggestions to help your child manage bullying and what actions to take if your child is being bullied.

Donuts and coffee will be provided!

Please cut and return this section to your child's teacher to RSVP by November 18th.

Parent name (s) _____

Homeroom Teacher _____



ARTBEAT Is Coming!

JANUARY 8, 2014

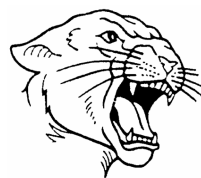
This year the Middle School and Elementary Art and Music departments are collaborating to bring you ARTBEAT! The gallery hop will take place Wednesday, January 8, 2014 in the halls of Licking Valley Elementary and Middle School. This fun filled night will include musical performances as well as art activities. The students and teachers are working hard to get prepared to bring you ARTBEAT. Hope to see you there!

Licking Valley Athletic Boosters 14th Annual All Sports Dinner and Auction March 7, 2014

**The Athletic Boosters are putting together a video presentation and are asking parents to loan any pictures they have taken at sporting events to use in the video. All pictures will be returned.

Angie Staggers, President
Granger McLaughlin, Vice President
Denise Locke, Secretary
Charity McFarland, Treasurer

RoseAnn Nethers, Auction Co-Chair
MaryAnn McLaughlin, Auction Co-Chair
Kim Christian, Auction Committee
Shana Shumaker, Auction Committee
Jeff Collins, Auction Committee



PANTHER HAPPENINGS

NOVEMBER

25 Athletic Boosters 6:30 PM

NOVEMBER 28, 29, DECEMBER 2

THANKSGIVING BREAK

DECEMBER

- 9 Board of Education 6:00 PM
- 10 Middle School Winter Concert 7:00 PM
- 11 High School Winter Concert 7:00 PM
- 16 Mrs. Bock's 1st & 2nd Grade Christmas program 7:00 LVHS Auditorium
- 18 Mr. Nethers 1st & 2nd Grade Christmas program 7:00 LVHS Auditorium
- 19 4th Grade Holiday Program 7:00 PM Elementary Building

**DECEMBER 23rd thru
JANUARY 3, 2014
WINTER BREAK**

Sports schedules can be found on the Licking Valley web site:

www.edline.net/pages/Licking_Valley_Local_SD

Click on the following links:

- Buildings
- Licking Valley High School
- Licking Valley Athletic Department



**THE LICKING VALLEY
HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW
DATE: DECEMBER 14, 2013
TIME: 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
PLACE: LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

The Licking Valley High School After Prom Committee is sponsoring the Licking Valley Holiday Craft Bazaar. Join them for a day of easy holiday shopping with local craft vendors. It's the perfect place to find all the gifts you need for the holidays. See what your local vendors have to offer as you enjoy delicious food, music, and holiday fun.

If you are interested in reserving a space, please contact Cheryl Schmoll at 740-349-1997.





Join Indian Mound Mall and LV Music Boosters
November 16 - December 24

**Win a \$50 Visa Rewards Card for yourself and
\$500 for the LV music programs**

*Bring your receipts to the mall office – each receipt is one entry –
and designate the LV Music Boosters as your non-profit organization.
A new winner is drawn every week during the five week event!*

For more information, go to www.indianmoundmall.com



LV MUSIC BOOSTERS + KROGER REWARDS = \$\$

It's fast! It's easy! It's free!!

Music Subs Make Great Lunches!

**Next Sub Order Due
December 10**

*\$1 from every \$5 sub
goes to your student account*

**Pickup is Tuesday, December 17
in the Band Room**



MUSIC BOOSTERS

Who is a music booster? YOU! That's right, you are and anyone who supports music is a music booster. Support can be as simple as attending a concert to being an officer in the music booster organization.

Although raising money is our chief concern, the Music Boosters organization also has a huge role in supporting the students in other ways. From transportation to providing food, managing events to chaperoning trips, the parent group is invaluable to the success of the instrumental music program. If you haven't already, please become a member today and be part of the unique and fun environment.

The Licking Valley Music Boosters invite you to join our team. We meet the third Tuesday of every month in the Licking Valley High School Band Room at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Contact Us:

Amy Hooper, President	ameshoop@hotmail.com
Chris Fisher, Vice President	fisherc@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us
Lisa Melrose, Secretary	melrosem@windstream.net
Nancy Moran, Secretary	nlmoran@gmail.com

Contact Lisa Melrose to order subs or volunteer to work the basketball concession.

Contact Chris Fisher to help in the concessions for football, Bandfest, Indoor Drumline, and Jazzfest.

Amy Hooper coordinates volunteers for the various competitions., but you can contact any of the officers to join the Music Boosters and volunteer to help at any of their activities and events.

14th Annual Licking Valley Athletic Boosters Dinner & Auction

March 1, 2014

Doors Open: 4:00 pm.

Dinner: 4:30 p.m.

Auction: 6:00 p.m.



Tickets: \$15.00 each

Tickets available from the Athletic Director during High School hours or contact any Athletic Booster Officer (Charity McFarland, Angie Staggers or Granger McLaughlin) or Auction Committee Member (Kim Christian, Rosanne Nethers, Mary Ann McLaughlin, Shanna Shumaker, Julie Goodin or Jeff Collins).

All proceeds from this event will benefit the Athletic Boosters General Fund.

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