

LICKING VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOLS

# The Valley View

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David Hile, Superintendent



Pictured left to right:  
Sherry Crum, Licking Valley Intermediate School Principal;  
Chris Fisher, 4th Grade Teacher and her husband, Jay Fisher.

## Licking Valley DOW Excellence in Education Award Winner

For 25 years, the DOW Chemical Co. has awarded teachers in Licking County for their excellence in classroom teaching. The award focuses on math and science education where possible. Honoree Christine Fisher has been in education for 23 years and said it is an honor to receive the award for her work as a fourth grade teacher in the Licking Valley School District. "It's very humbling because there are lots of great teachers at my school," she said. "It means I'm able to make a difference."

Mrs. Fisher said being able to develop math and science skills in today's world is crucial. "So much of what we're going to is dependent on having math and science skills," she said.

Congratulations Mrs. Fisher!

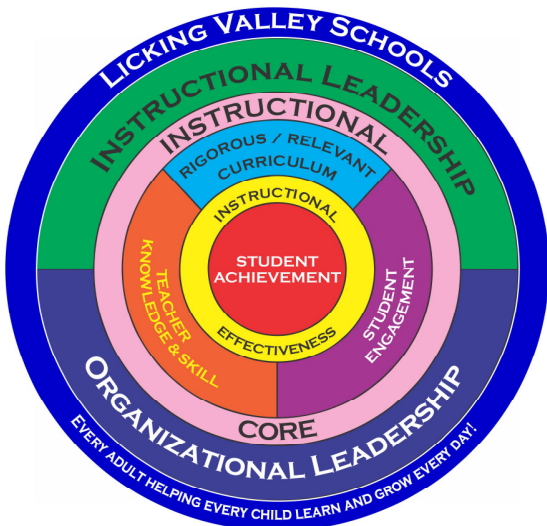
**"Every adult helping every child learn and grown every day."**

## LV Girls Golf Team Heads to District Competition

The Licking Valley Girls Golf Team is winding down the best season in school history, setting school records for individual and team scoring as well as wins with 56. Monday, September 24th they became the first LV Golf Team to qualify to the District Golf Tournament, to be held at Pickaway Golf Club on October 1st. The top 3 teams and top 3 individuals from the District qualify to the State Tournament at OSU. The team is led by MSL 1st Team Selection Tori Johnson, MSL 2nd Team Selections Courtney Goodin and Allie Breymaier, MSL Honorable Mention Carissa Cline, Gina Carpenter, Sportsman Award Winner Averri Rice, Jennie Blosser, Haley Smith, Maggie Baechle and Morgan Gossett.



***Congratulations to the LV Girls Golf Team!***



## 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 **Jan Clayton, Coordinator of Student Services, 763-2897.**

### **Middle School Renaissance Leaders 2012-2013**

Students are chosen by applications submitted along with meeting the minimum 3.0 GPA requirement, teacher recommendations, leadership ability and responsibility.

#### **6th Grade**

Ian Gant  
Mackenzie Meadows  
Josh Rhymer  
Seth Thompson  
Colin Kozlowski

#### **7th Grade**

Kyle Rice  
Chandler Richert  
Ashley Schmoll  
Dylan Carr  
Noah Hersey  
Jordan Aronowitz  
Keri Felumlee  
Bradley Schumaker

#### **8th Grade**

Hailey Smith  
Grant Shumaker  
Fischer White  
Lexie Sidwell  
Chelsea Kettering  
Nick Buchbinder  
Kaitlyn Ford  
Brody Camp

### **8th Grade Gettysburg Trip**

The Licking Valley School Board has approved the 2013 8th grade Gettysburg trip. We leave from the middle school early on Sunday, May 5th and return to the middle school Wednesday evening May 8th. The first deposit of \$125.00 per person is due on or before November 16, 2012. Remember, you are not registered for the trip until a deposit is received and our space is limited to 220 individuals. Please make checks payable to Licking Valley Middle School. We highly encourage adults to go as chaperones for their son/daughter. If you do decide to go as a chaperone, please make an appointment at the district office to be fingerprinted. The cost of fingerprinting is included in the cost of the trip. We have been chosen again for the honor of placing a wreath on the "Tomb of the Unknowns" at Arlington National Cemetery. Applications for any student wishing to take part in the ceremony will be distributed in December and due in January. If you have any questions about the trip please contact Mr. Hageman at, [hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12oh.us](mailto:hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12oh.us) or call him at the Middle School, 763-3396.

### **Music Notes**

The following students will be representing Licking Valley at the Ohio Music Education Association District 10 Honors Choir Event on Saturday, November 17th at Delaware Hayes High School. The concert is free and open to the public at 3:00 p.m.

#### **High School:**

Demonica Rodgers  
Megan Jones  
Zoey Harvey  
Alex Shell  
David Martin  
Cody Tudor  
Devin Shannon

#### **Middle School:**

Shelby Holbrook  
Emma Doyle  
Kolton Johnson  
Dean Miller

### **October 3, 2012 Licking Valley Community Bonfire 7- 10pm ....**

We will have smores, music and FUN! Let's Get Ready for the Newark Catholic Friendly Athletic Rivalry..

#### **Sponsored by the LVHS Renaissance Students**

*Bonfire will be held in the gravel lot by the baseball diamonds.*





## NEW SCHOOL MEAL REQUIREMENTS

Congress passed the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act last year. As a result, USDA has released new nutritional meal requirements that all districts must meet. These new federal rules

are mandated for the 2012-2013 school year. Knowing that changes were likely to take place, Licking Valley Food Service has already been gradually making many of these changes.

### Biggest Changes:

- Students now will be required to have 1/2 cup fruit or vegetables on their tray for it to count as a full (reimbursable) meal.
- We are now limited as to how much meat/meat alternate (cheese, yogurt, etc.) and grains we can offer. This means main entrees may not be as large as they have been. Remember, though, that there are more fruits and vegetables available than there have been.

### What We're Already Doing:

- Half of all grains offered must be whole grain. Almost all of our grains offered already meet this requirement.
- We must offer vegetables from the following groups each week: dark green, orange/red, and legumes. We then have the option to include starchy and other vegetable. We implemented this change with last year's menu, so students won't see a noticeable difference.

### How You Can Help:

- Encourage your children to try new things at home and school.
- Join your child for lunch and or breakfast anytime.
- If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us. We're here to help!
- Contact Jan Jennings, Cafeteria Supervisor, with questions at (740) 763-2433 or [jenningsj@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](mailto:jenningsj@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us)

## FOOD SERVICE

Jan Jennings, Cafeteria Supervisor

### School Lunches 2012 - 2013

Grades K-5 . . . . . \$1.80  
 Grades 6-12. . . . . \$2.25 (increase)  
 Adults . . . . . \$2.25 (increase)  
 Milk. . . . . \$ .40

### School Breakfasts 2012 – 2013

Free to ALL Students and Staff

## LUNCH PRICE INCREASE EQUITY IN SCHOOL LUNCH PRICING

(Section 205)  
2010 CHILD NUTRITION  
REAUTHORIZATION ACT

On March 19, 2012, USDA published policy memo SP22-2012 Paid Lunch Equity; School Year 2012-2013 Calculations and Tool. The interim rule entitled, "National School Lunch Program: School Food Service Account Revenue Amendments Related to the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010" requires school food authorities (SFAs) participating in the National School Lunch Program to ensure sufficient funds are provided to the nonprofit school food service account for lunches served to students not eligible for free or reduced price meals.

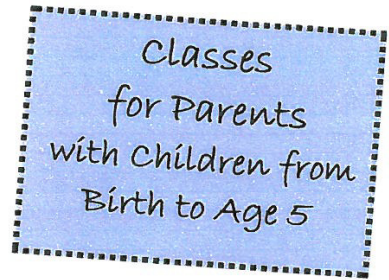
The State of Ohio's average is \$2.51. Because we are below the average, we are required to raise lunch prices a minimum amount (based on their calculation tool). Last year we raised lunch prices 5 cents district-wide. This year we will be increasing lunch prices at the Middle and High School 20 cents. The new cost of a lunch at both of these schools will be \$2.25. We will not be making any increase on the cost of lunch at the elementary at this time. Their lunch price will remain \$1.80. This increase satisfies the state's requirements and we still remain one of the lowest priced meals in the Licking County Area.

The USDA and State of Ohio have made several changes to the New Meal Pattern Requirements. For a list the upcoming changes, please go to the Licking Valley Website under parent links to view these changes.

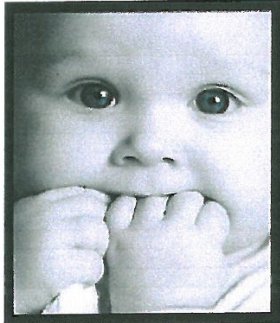
**SADD & FFA Present:**  
**A Community Tailgate**  
**in the Valley**  
**Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00 - 7:15**



**Before the Football game.**  
**Located next to the Soccer Field.**  
**Bring the whole family!**  
**Free food, fun, games, eating contests, tattoos, & books.**



## \*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!

**Fall Class Date & Time:**  
**Sat., October 13, 2012**  
**\*\*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**

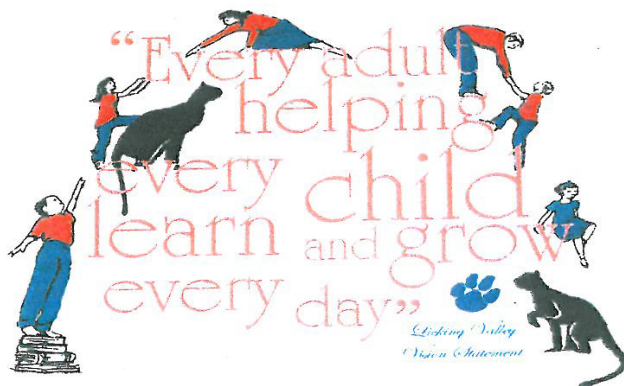
Classes will be held at: LV Primary Elementary School, 1510 Licking Valley Rd. NE, Newark

**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!**



# OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 VOLLEY FOR THE CURE 5:00 PM LVHS Girls VB  3rd Gr Reading OAA	3  LV Custodian Recognition Day	4	5 FB vs Newark Catholic A	6  LV BAND FEST
7	8 Board of Education 6:00 PM  Columbus Day	9 LV FFA 7:00	10	11 Senior College Planning Night 6:00 PM	12 FB vs Columbus Academy @ H Homecoming	13 READY for Kindergarten Classes 10:00 Homecoming Dance
14  National School Bus Safety Week	15 Finance Task Force 7:00 PM	16 LV FFA Alumni, Inc. 7:00 LV Administrators' Recognition Day	17 PSAT	18  FFA Fruit Sale Oct. 18 - Oct 31	19 ACT Boot Camp 10:00 FB vs Bexley @ H Parent Night NO SCHOOL	20
21	22 LV Athletic Boosters 7:00	23 3rd Gr. Fall Concert 7:00 PM	24 State FFA Convention Oct. 24-27	25 IES Student Pics	26 FB vs Heath A End of 1st Nine Wks	27 ACT
		October 22– October 26 Ohio Graduation Tests				
28	29	30 COMMUNITY FRIENDS DAY	31	Licking Valley Sports Calendar can be found on the LVHS Web page under Contents/LV Athletic Dept.		

## Bluegrass Ka-bash

October 13, Flint Ridge Park

Gates open at 10 am • Festivities from 12-8 pm

Rain or Shine • Bring your chairs • 50/50

Food available, door prizes & great music!

Advance ticket sales: \$20 each until 10/6 Contact Stacey Wright to reserve your tickets @ 740.763.3560 or lonepine9039@yahoo.com

Gate ticket price: \$25 Adult ,12 years old & under free

Tickets available at Martin Music, The Cottage Restaurant & Lewis Clark Insurance

Sound by: GBS Productions / Dave Chichester

For directions and additional information:

LVheritage.org • Flintridgeohio.org

## LV High School Renaissance Leadership Class

The Licking Valley Renaissance Leadership class recently organized Licking Valley High School's first RED OUT in support of the American Heart Association. The Red Out encouraged high school students to build healthier lives free from heart disease and stroke. Through the sales of t-shirts to the high school students and staff, the middle, intermediate and elementary buildings and the Licking Valley community, Licking Valley High School was able to donate \$6,151 to the American Heart Association and Red Out last week's football game against Granville!! This was the first Red Out event for Licking Valley and the donation made by the high school to the American Heart Association was the second highest so far this year throughout the entire state of Ohio! A special thank you to Tricia Phelps and her Renaissance Leadership students for organizing this successful event!



### LV FFA Soil Team Moves on to Districts

The Licking Valley FFA rural and urban soil teams competed in the county soils contest on September 20<sup>th</sup> on Mike McArtor's farm near Smith Chapel. In the contest, members must classify slope, erosion of topsoil, soil texture, soil depth, and air and water movement to determine the best conservation methods for a particular area. Teams compete in two categories urban and rural. Urban members evaluate the area for housing, landscape, and access roads while the rural teams evaluate for farming practices.

Judging teams from Utica and Johnstown also competed in the county contest. The Licking Valley FFA rural, and urban teams placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall.. Top finishers from Valley in the rural were 1<sup>st</sup>-Josh Ellis, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Sarah Moran, 3<sup>rd</sup>-Charlie Burwell, 4<sup>th</sup>- Ronnie Richardson and 5<sup>th</sup> Trent McArtor. Cara Dillon was the top individual from Valley in the urban division placing 1st in the county. Ryan Vlachos placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sarah Gearhart 3<sup>rd</sup> and Hannah Gearhart 5<sup>th</sup>. The teams will be advancing to the district competition involving schools from Knox, Licking, Franklin, Fairfield, Pickaway, and Ross counties on October 2 in Pickaway County. The county contest is hosted by the Licking County Soil and Water Conservation Services with awards being sponsored by the Moundbuilders Kiwanis Club. The top members and teams will be recognized at the annual Soil and Water Banquet in October.

## NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK OCTOBER 15-19, 2012

### Motorists should remember:

- Slow down and be alert, especially in residential areas and school zones. Children are unpredictable.
- Watch for children at intersections and near the road – especially in the morning and after school hours.
- Take extra care when entering or exiting driveways.
- Beware of children darting out from between parked cars.
- Be careful when following or approaching a school bus, especially near school bus stops.
- All 50 states require motorists in both directions on undivided roadways to stop for school buses that have stopped to let children enter or exit the bus.
- Don't pass a school bus on the right.

**In general just slow down and pay attention to the road. Do not text or distract yourself with any device.**

### Parents and children should remember:

- Try to cross streets at corners, using crosswalks and traffic signals when available.
- Don't run into a street or between parked cars.
- Get to the bus stop early and stand well back from the curb, especially when the bus is approaching.
- Walk in front of the bus so the driver can see you. Don't board the bus until the driver says it's okay.
- If you drop something, tell the bus driver. Don't reach for anything under or in front of a bus where a driver might not be able to see you.
- Don't talk to strangers at a bus stop, and don't get into a stranger's car.



# Veteran's Day Breakfast

In recognition of Veterans Day 2012, Licking Valley community Veterans and individuals in the community currently serving in the military are invited to attend a Veterans Day breakfast on Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. in the Licking Valley High School commons area. Following the breakfast there will be a performance by Licking Valley students in the auditorium. The event will end around 10:00 a.m. Parking spaces will be provided for you with signs to direct you into the building. If you are able to attend this event, please RSVP by November 5th. Call the Licking Valley District Office at 763-3525 or reply via e-mail to [phelpst@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us](mailto:phelpst@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us)

If you would like to include a picture of your veteran in the Veterans' Day program, please e-mail or send in a copy of the picture by Thursday, November 1st. Be sure to mark the name of the Veteran and your name/address on the photo and include information about the veteran.

## “BUSTER THE BUS” Visits Elementary Classrooms

Licking Valley bus drivers had a special guest to help them with Bus Safety this year. “Buster The Bus” made special appearances in each class room, kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade to teach the children proper bus safety rules. Each year Licking Valley bus drivers go into each elementary classroom to teach rules and safety tips. They do special evacuation drills, so the children know what to do in case an emergency arises and they have to be evacuated out the back door of the bus. The drivers teach the children that they need to be at the bus stop 5 minutes before their pick-up time and where they should stand (designated place of safety) while getting on and off the bus.



Students are taught to always stay in their seat properly, and to be nice to the other students and not to be a bully. The bus drivers also teach students how to cross the road in front of the school bus and to always stay out of the danger zone. (10 feet around the whole bus).

Ask your child what they have learned and remind them of the importance of bus safety.

### LICKING VALLEY DISTRICT OFFICE

1379 Licking Valley Rd. N.E.  
Newark, OH 43055  
740-763-3525  
David Hile, Superintendent  
Jo Lynn Torbert, Treasurer

### LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Wes Weaver, Principal  
Shane Adkins, Assistant Principal  
100 Hainsview Dr. N.E.  
Newark, OH 43055  
740-763-3721

### LICKING VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Scott Beery, Principal  
Jeff Neiger, Assistant Principal  
1379 Licking Valley Rd. N.E.  
Newark, OH 43055  
740-763-3396

### LICKING VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1510 Licking Valley Rd. N.E.  
Newark, OH 43055

#### PRIMARY

Todd Carmer, Principal  
Andrew Hoffman, Assistant Principal  
740-763-2865

#### INTERMEDIATE

Sherry Crum, Principal  
Andrew Hoffman, Assistant Principal  
740-763-2031

## “Hats On” for United Way

Licking Valley Elementary is working together to provide for and help our community in two amazing ways! **On the Fridays listed below, students have been and will be wearing hats during school for only \$1.00.** This is a special fundraiser organized by the United Way. 50% of the money raised will be given to the United Way and 50% will be given to Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy, an organization which helps with research, advocacy and support for boys that suffer from Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. DMD is a muscle-wasting disease that eventually affects the heart and respiratory muscles. This disease has no known cure. Licking Valley Elementary School has a student that has been diagnosed with this disease.

By wearing hats on these given days (or just by donating to the United Way) we can support many people in Licking County!

- Friday, September 21st
- Friday, September 28th
- Friday, October 5th
- Friday, October 12th



### LV 5th Grade News

The fifth grade band is off to a great start! They have around 75 students who have signed up to play in the band this year, according to Mrs. Bock, the elementary band director. The fifth grade band will be performing at the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Holiday Program, the Spring Band Concert, and Fifth Grade Recognition this year.

The fifth grade teachers are currently looking for donations for the fifth grade Washington D.C. trip that is scheduled for May 15,16,17, 2013. Through the generosity of local philanthropist Lou Mitchell, the trip was partially funded the past few years. In lieu of his passing, funding is being sought from other sources. If you know of any local businesses or any individuals that would be willing to help continue to provide this wonderful opportunity for our



students, please contact the intermediate school at 763-2031. This trip gives students a learning opportunity that cannot be matched, and the teachers would like to continue to send the students on this trip.



# Licking Valley Community Friends Day

Licking Valley is an "EXCELLENT" School District

"Children are our most valuable resource."

Herbert Hoover, 31<sup>st</sup> U.S. President

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Community Friends and Local Businesses:

The Licking Valley Local School District would like to invite you to attend the 27th Annual **Community Friends Day**. The date of this event is Tuesday, October 30th, 2012. The day will begin at the elementary schools and then proceed to the high school and middle school. The schedule for the day's events is included; and we look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,  
**Licking Valley Local Schools**

## Agenda

- 9:30 to 10:40** Elementary school activities and visit to classrooms  
Introduction/Comments by ~~~ Mr. Todd Carmer, Primary  
Elementary Principal  
~~~ Mrs. Sherry Crum, Intermediate  
Elementary Principal
- 10:40 to 11:00** Travel to high school – transportation will be provided  
(Please leave your car at the elementary.)
- 11:00 to 12:45** Introduction/Comments by ~~~ Mr. Jeffrey Neiger, Assistant  
Middle School Principal
- Entertainment provided by our High School Band under the direction of Mr. Bradley and the High School Choir under the direction of Mrs. Myers.
  - Lunch - prepared by the Primary Panther Parents
  - Door Prizes - provided by generous local businesses
- 1:00 to 1:30** Middle School activities and visit to classrooms
- 1:35** Buses depart for the elementary

For more information, please call the Middle School Office at 763-3935.

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Please detach and return to any school office by October 24th

I/We will attend **Licking Valley Community Friends Day**.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of People Attending for Lunch

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_