The Valley View

LICKING VALLEY
LOCAL SCHOOLS

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2013

David Hile, Superintendent

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VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

Thursday, November 7, 2013

8:00 AM

Licking Valley High School

Parking spaces will be provided for Veterans with signs to direct you into the building. If you are able to attend this event, please RSVP by November 4th. Call the Licking Valley District Office at 763-3525 or reply via e-mail to phelpst@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us
Please respond by November 5th.



OCTOBER 18



ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 5

The following individuals are running for

Licking Valley Board of Education:

Lucinda Wills

Jackie Caughenbaugh

Tiffany Gordon

National School Bus Safety Week October 21-25, 2013

The Licking Valley Local School District joins school districts and transporting agencies throughout Ohio and the nation in celebrating the importance of National School Bus Safety Week.

This year's theme, "STAND BACK FROM THE YELLOW AND BLACK!" reminds students to be cautious any time they must cross



the street. Students need to cross where they can be seen by the bus driver and also need to watch for traffic. The greatest risk to our children is when they are outside the school bus. Student injuries and fatalities occur as a result of motorists who attempt to pass a stopped school bus with flashing red warning lights while students load or unload.

Nearly one million Ohio students ride on school buses each day and over 15,000 bus drivers are dedicated to providing safe transportation for children in the state. National studies show school buses are the safest method for transporting young people – up to 22 times safer than passenger cars.

"Ensuring the safety of students as they enter and exit the bus is crucial," said *David Hile, Superintendent.* "We are training our bus drivers to be cautious, but we need help from parents to make sure they watch for school buses stopped to load and unload children. No issue is so urgent that motorists cannot wait for a school bus."

Ohio Revised Code 4511.75 requires motorists to stop for a school bus anytime it has stopped to load or unload. In Ohio those buses will display red flashing lights as well as a stop sign on the side of the bus. Motorists may not resume motion until the school bus has resumed motion. Bus drivers in Ohio are required to file reports with law enforcement when motorists pass them. In some communities cameras are being used to facilitate this reporting.

The Licking Valley Transportation Department offers the following tips to remind your child while getting off and on the bus:

Always remain in direct eyesight of the bus driver;

Get to the bus stop in plenty of time;

Take 10 giant steps back from the curb while waiting for the bus and 10 steps when exiting the bus;

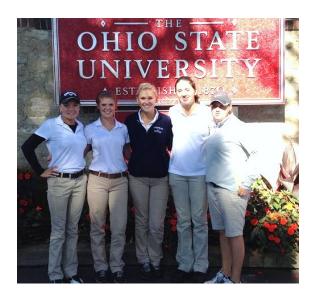
Never try to get anything left on the bus after exiting;

Never reach underneath the bus;

Always follow the driver's directions for how to cross the street;

Be alert to traffic and look both ways;

Always cross in front of the bus, but *only* when the bus driver signals it is safe to do so.



LADY PANTHERS GOLF TEAM

Team members are Tori Johnson, Allie Breymaier, Morgan Gossett, Jennie Blosser, and Haley Smith. Lori Guest is their coach.

The team played October 11th, 12th, in Division II at The Ohio State University Gray Golf Course, Columbus, OH and

The Lady Panthers Golf Team shot a school record 362 at Ohio State's Gray Course to wrap up State Tournament play Saturday October 12th, improving 23 strokes from their day 1 score of 385. Co- MVP's and 1st Team LCL honorees Allie Breymaier and Tori Johnson (LCL Player of the Year) led teammates Morgan Gossett (2nd Team LCL), Jennie Blosser (Honorable Mention LCL), Haley Smith, and Carissa Cline to 10th in the state capping off the best golf season in school history in which they were also LCL Champs (18-0), Sectional Champs (17-0), and District Runner-ups (11-1).

Congratulations Lady Panthers!

DOW EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION 26TH ANNUAL AWARDS

Local districts, plus C-TEC and the Licking County ESC, are asked to nominate a science, math or technology-centered teacher who showed excellence in teaching and leadership in their district, said Barbara Bodart, coordinator of gifted services for the Licking County ESC.

Bodart said common threads she saw among this year's Dow Award winner's were teachers who were hands-on, built good relationships with their students and actively researched to improve their teaching methods.

The winners received an apple trophy and \$250 from Dow.

Dante Smith, a third-grade math and science teacher with the Licking Valley Local School District, was commended for creative projects that included having his students track



the journey of monarch butterflies to Mexico and write to pen pals in that country.

Dante' is an excellent representative of the teaching and learning that goes on every day in class-rooms in the Licking Valley district.

Congratulations Dante'



The Licking Valley Ski Club is gearing up for it's 5th season!

All forms and payments are due to Ms. Dudgeon in the high school or Mr. Hageman in the middle school by Wednesday, November 6th. The ski club will be taking trips on the charter bus up to Snow Trails on January 10th, January 17th, January 24th, February 7th, and February 21.

dudgeonl@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

FFA Soil Teams Place in District and State Meets



The LV FFA soils teams competed in the District 7 soils contest on October1st hosted by the Pickaway County Soil and Water Conservation District.





District 7 consists of schools from Knox, Licking, Franklin, Fairfield, Pickaway and Ross counties. Students on the judging team must identify slope, erosion of topsoil, soil texture, bedrock restrictions and air and water movement to

determine the optimum conservation practices needed for a particular

site. The Rural team, which judges soils for their agricultural use, placed 2nd in the district. The team members placed well as individuals with Charlie Burwell placing 1st overall. Other rural team members were Jocob Roe, Joey Albright, Ronnie Grant Anderson and Addelynn Ware. The Urban team, which



judges soils for housing development, placed 7th. Ashley Dillon was the team leader placing 15th. Other members

were Kayla Duvall, Fischer White, Sam Bell and Hanna Gearhart. The teams qualified for state competition October 12 at Ohio State Farm Science Review with the top 50 teams from Ohio competing for a chance of advancing to national competition in Oklahoma .



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

Date & Time:

Winter Session: January 25, 2014

(snow date Feb 1)

Spring Session: April 26, 2014 **10:00-11:30

**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



The Rural Team placed 11th overall at state competition with Jacob Roe placing 2nd in the state in a field of 189 students. The top 3 teams advance to nationals and LV missed advancing by 100 points out of a possible 1836 points. Members will be awarded for their efforts at the Licking County Soil and Water annu-

al meeting Oct 17th at OSUN's Reese Center. Jacob will be presented a plaque at the

Ohio FFA State Convention in May.



Licking Valley Community Friends Day

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Community Friends and Local Businesses:

Licking Valley is an "EXCELLENT" School District

The Licking Valley Local School District would like to invite you to attend the 28th Annual Community Friends Day. The date of this event is Tuesday, October 29th, 2013. 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.

	<u>Agenda</u>		
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		
and the High Scho Lunch - prepared b	ovided by our High School Band under the direction of Mr. Bradley ol Choir under the direction of Mrs. Myers. by the Primary Panther Parents ided 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, ple	ease call the Middle School Office at 763-3935.		
	Please detach and return to any school office by October 23rd		
I/We will attend	Licking Valley Community Friends Day.		
Ni	umber of People Attending for Lunch		
	Signed:		

# **LVHS Library Book Fair and Artisan Show**



# November $18^{th} - 22^{nd}$

Books and gifts for everyone!



## **Book Fair (By ReadMore Books, Ltd.):**

Many children, teen, and adult selections to choose from.

# **Artisan Show:**

Students and Local Artists will feature their creations.

A few of our sponsors will be:

MJ Burgess - Simple Luxuries, beautiful lotions, soaps, candles, etc.

Charlene Noblick - Chocolate covered pretzels

Anna Busic – Confection

Heirloom and More – Beautiful blankets, purses, custom made.

And so many other featured artists!

# Enjoy some early Christmas shopping.

Monday & Wednesday – 8:00 – 4:00

Tuesday & Thursday -8:00 - 5:00

Friday -8:00 - 1:00 (This is the last day.)

# 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.

November 20th: The discussion will be about ADHD: We will go over some suggestions to help you manage the challenges that come with being a parent of a child with ADHD

December 18th: The 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.

RSVP is appreciated by contacting Laura Linden at: <a href="mailto:lindenl@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us">lindenl@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us</a> or calling the elementary at 763-2031

#### **Eighth Grade Gettysburg Trip**

The first deposit of \$125.00 per person is due by Nov. 15. Parents are encouraged to go as chaperones. The dates of the trip are May 4, 5, 6, and 7, 2014. Parents should review the student academic/disciplinary form with your student. If you are going as a chaperone, please make an appointment with the district office to get finger-printed. If you have any questions, please call or email Mr. Hageman at 763-3396 or hagemanm@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us



# PANTHER HAPPENINGS

#### **OCTOBER**

- 18 **NO SCHOOL**Varsity Football Licking Heights -H
- 19 BAND FEST
- 21 3rd Grade Fall Concert 7:00 PM
- 23-25 5th Grade Washington DC Trip
- 25 Varsity Football Lakewood
- 29 COMMUNITY FRIENDS DAY

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

- 4 Intermediate Elementary 4:00-7:30 High School 3:00-7:00
- 5 Primary Elementary 4:00-7:30 Middle School 3:30-7:00
- 7 Intermediate Elementary 4:00-7:30 Primary Elementary 4:00-7:30 Middle School 3:30-7:00 High School 3:00-6:00
- 7 Veterans Breakfast
- 8 NO SCHOOL
- 11 NO SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 28, 29, DECEMBER 2 THANKSGIVING BREAK

#### **MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE**

Sponsored by: Middle School Renaissance

Date: Friday, October 25, 2013

Time: 2:30 - 4:00 PM

\$4.00 buys a ticket, punch, chips,

and cookie.

Pizza is sold for \$2.00 a slice.







Reading! Library Media Center





#### LICKING VALLEY LION'S CLUB. INC.

### **'TRUNK'** OR TREAT

**DON'T MISS** THE FREE HOTDOGS.





(HICKMAN ROAD)



## Licking Valley Intermediate News

#### Fifth Grade Washington Trip

Hopefully by the time this message goes to press. the government is back to business as usual. However, if we are still dealing with a government shutdown, we would like all of the students and parents who are planning to join the fifth grade in Washington, D.C. to know that we can still have an enjoyable trip. Mount Vernon and Arlington Cemetery have remained open. Some of the monuments are also open for visitors. The travel agency has tour guides who are in Washington, D.C. looking for alternative experiences for our trip.

#### 3rd Grade Fall Concert

Third grade students will be presenting a Fall Music Program on Monday, October 21st at 7:00 PM in the Licking Valley Elementary Cafeteria. The theme for the program is "America the Beautiful." Students in both Mrs. Bock and Mr. Nethers' classes will be showcasing songs that they have been practicing as well as other presentations. Hope to see you there!

#### **Operation ADAM**

It is not too late to send in items for our Operation ADAM campaign. Students have been bringing in items for our men and women serving overseas that they would not normally be able to obtain. Each grade level has been assigned a list of items to purchase. Third grade students are asked to bring Crackeriacks, Combos, pretzels, and Chex Mix. Fourth grade students are asked to bring in cookies, Rice Krispie Treats, rice cakes, granola bars and Nutrigrain bars. Fifth grade students are being asked to bring in Slim Jims, beef jerky, ramen noodles, tuna in pouches or pop top cans, and presweetened drink mixes. A box has been set up in each grade level hallway for donations. Our Operation ADAM campaign will end on October 17th.

## **Another Great Start for the Licking Valley Band**

Sean Bradley, Instrumental Music Director

When 5 seniors walked into the first rehearsal for the marching band's 2013 season, they knew it was going to be different then the last few years. The 72 piece marching band is the biggest and youngest band that the school district has ever had. So far this season, that has not been a very big hurdle for the group as they have already qualified for the Ohio Music Education Association's State Marching Band Finals for the third year in a row.

This year's competition show is entitled "Inspired: The Music of the Beatles." The band has performed in both Ohio events and national level events. At these competitions the band is judged on their musicianship, their ability to maintain even spacing throughout the performance, clarity of formations on the field, coordination of music and movement, coordination of color guard with the music and drill, and the overall appeal of the show. So far, the band is undefeated in their class in OMEA competitions.

Their first OMEA performance was at the Licking Heights Pageant of Bands on September 14th where the band earned 1st Place, Best Music, and Best General Effect in their class. The next OMEA contest was held at Lancaster High School where the band won Gran Champion Class B/C, 1st Place Class B, and Best Field Commander. The band also received Superior Ratings (the highest possible rating) from all of the qualifying caption judges and earned a spot in the state marching band finals. The band also participated in the Bands of America Kettering-Fairmont Regional where they performed against the best bands from 6 different states. They placed 4th in their class and will be able to perform at the Bands of America Grand National Finals in Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Indiana on November 15th.

The band will have 3 more local performances including our own Licking Valley Band Fest on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 19th</u> at 5:00pm, Newark Marching Band Festival on Saturday, October 26th, and the Tri-Valley Classic which is also on Saturday, October 26th. Finally, the band will be performing at Hilliard Bradley High School on Friday, November 2nd at 5:45 for a chance to earn the band's first superior rating at state finals in school history.

Please come out and support the band this Saturday at the Licking Valley Band Fest. We hope to have a huge home crowd of support from the Valley Fans!!!



#### Some Thoughts on Special Education

Mark McDaniel, Director of Student Services, 740-763-3525

"We are not all the same; we do not all have the same kinds of minds; education works most effectively for most individuals if these differences are taken into account rather than denied or ignored."

"Reflections on Multiple Intelligences" (Gardner, 1995)

Special Education is just that, "special". It involves special students, special circumstances, special collaboration, special teachers, special strategies and solutions, special supports and resources, and special results. Special education should be an avenue for students to learn their strengths and how to use them, to ultimately get them back into the general education population if possible.

The students are learning alternatives, special ways to accomplish the same goals they would have in any other classroom. Students in special education are there to learn to cope with, and possibly overcome, the disabilities and challenges they may experience every day. The objective is to prepare them to the best of our ability for real life outside the school setting. We can help them gain the necessary confidence and help them to utilize their strengths and manage their challenges. If we can accomplish this, they will have the opportunity to experience success in their future activities after high school.

#### 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.

# **EZpay**

The easy, convenient, and secure way to pay for school meals and other school fees.

EZ-Pay LOW BALANCE ALERT NOTICE!!

IF YOU CURRENTLY USE THE EZ-PAY LOW BALANCE ALERT, PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THIS IS RESET TO THE DEFAULT AMOUNT (\$2.00) AT THE BEGINNING OF EVERY YEAR.

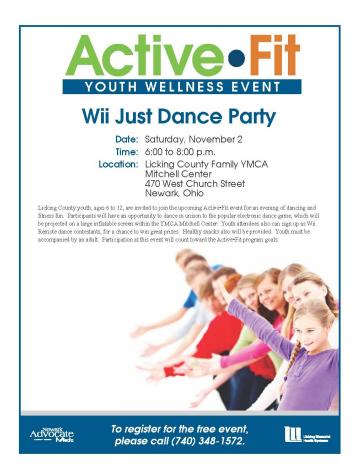


What: Annual pre-game Tailgate

When: This Friday, 10/18 @ 5:30-7pm

Where: Practice football field Who: Any MS or HS students Why: Free fun, food, and games. Why not?

Hang out with your friends and get pumped up for the game!
Crazy games, tattoos, face paint, music, cornhole and more.
Free food too!





Intermediate Nov. 4th-7th Primary Nov. 12th -15th

The Intermediate will be adding something new this year. They will be collecting funds for our All for Books program.



Each grade level will have the opportunity to bring in loose change that will be collected; the grade level that brings in the most will see Mr. Hoffman wrapped up like a mummy at lunch.

The All for Books money we collect will help buy books for our classrooms. However, it also helps readers beyond our school and community. Scholastic Book Fairs matches monetary donations with a donation of up to One Million Books to the Kids in Need Foundation and Kids in Distressed Situations, Inc.

### The Students at Licking Valley **High School Need your HELP-**Please READ!

Our school is committed to keeping teens safe on the road, and that's why we're participating in Cel-

ebrate My Drive®, a program that's all about CELEBRATE celebrating the fun of getting your driver's license while helping you drive safely so you ar-



rive safely. What's really sweet about participating in this program is you can also help our school win a \$100,000 grant....and possibly a concert by Grammy Award winner Kelly Clarkson right here in our own town! It's simple:

- Log onto celebratemydrive.com
- Indicate you want to support Licking Valley High School-you can log on once a day!
- Commit to drive safely!

Make a safe driving commitment once a day, every day, between October 18 and 26. The more safe driving commitments we make, the better chance we have to win \$100,000 and host the Kelly Clarkson concert. Tell your friends and family who are age 14 and older to get involved too! Thanks for your support of Licking Valley High School and our teen drivers. Remember, 2N2: 2 eyes on the road, 2 hands on the wheel.

Thank you for your commitment to making a difference,

Tricia Phelps, LVHS Renaissance Advisor

# Scrapbook Night Come and Scrap the Night Away!

Date - **November 7th** 

Time - 5:00 P.M. - Midnight

Place - LV High School Library Media Center

Cost \$10.00 per person - Advance reservations are helpful (Call 740-763-3551, We will limit the seating to 100)

*Each person will receive a "Make and Take" packet that includes 10 Gift tags, 4 Cards and 2 Pages

*The Ellison die cut machine will be available to use.

All proceeds go to the LVHS Prom

*Snacks will be provided.

# Scrapbook Night Reservation Form

Name		
Phone	Number	

Date - November 7th

Time - 5:00 P.M. - Midnight

Place - LV High School Library Media Center

#### Make & Take reservation choice: Circle your choice

10 Gift tags – Christmas (Secular or Christian), Blank or Assorted

4 Cards – Christmas (Secular or Christian), Birthday, Thanksgiving, Assorted Holidays or one of each

2 Pages – Christmas (Secular or Christian), Fall, Winter or Spring Advanced reservations will give you your own table with your friends.

- Give reservation form and \$10.00 per person to Tracy or Junior Class Officer
- Walk-ins are welcome, but reservations will guarantee your choice of Make and Takes.

***Call Tracy with questions – 740-763-3551 All proceeds go to the LVHS Prom

# **Your Invited:**

# New York City During the Holidays

Dates: <u>December 13th-15th</u>

Time: Friday 8:30pm departure

Sunday 7:00am arrival home

Cost: \$120.00 per ticket/person

RSVP: Deana Bennett, LVHS Sophomore Class Advisor

bennettd@lickingvalley.k12.oh.us

Phone: 763-3721

# An information meeting will be held on Monday, November 4th at 7:15 pm in the LVHS Lecture Hall.

• Please make checks payable to : LVHS Class of 2016

#### Description:

This trip is for fundraising purposes only. Licking Valley students will only be allowed to purchase a ticket if they have a parent or guardian attending the trip with them. We will not allow a student to travel with anyone other than their legal guardian. This will be open to the Licking Valley community. There will be no cost to the district. All money will be collected and deposited in the Class of 2016 account and then a check will be written to Brewster Travel for the total we owe them.

The bus will depart from LVHS at 8:30pm on Friday December 13th and will return on Sunday December 15th at 7:30 am. We plan on having those that attend park their personal vehicles in the sophomore parking lot that is located closest to Licking Valley Road.

There is not a specific list of activities or events for this trip, because once we arrive in New York it will be a personal excursion. Drop-off and pick-up locations will the only items designated on the itinerary. Passengers will be provided with an information packet about how to navigate throughout the city (maps, ticket info. for buses, subway and taxi rates, along with information for popular sites and attractions). *There will also be an evening planned prior to the trip to meet with everyone who has purchased a ticket to clarify any last minute questions/concerns.

