



# Valley Newsletter

February 2017

## Parent/Teacher Conferences—Mrs. Kohtz

Valley Elementary: Conferences will be held February 6th from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Also, if your child is absent from school, please call the office at 829-5961 by 9:00 AM that morning. Thanks!

## Valley School District Sets Goals- Superintendent

The State Department of Education and State Board of Education have asked districts throughout the state to submit goals for continuing school improvement. Our district has done so. These goals provide direction and have been written to improve instruction, increase student learning & growth, promote positive climate, provide academic interventions, increase community engagement, and district accountability.

Action plan items include:

- \* Continued professional development training with Math, English & Reading content.
- \* Student Interim Assessment (ISAT) practice and evaluation.
- \* Implementation of a literacy plan.
- \* Implementation of a college & career readiness plan for post-high school life.
- \* Adoption of Milepost (a student management system), to increase academic achievement and provide interventions.
- \* Safe Schools training for climate and safety.
- \* Continued teacher evaluation training.
- \* Utilize Txtwire messaging service to increase communication.
- \* Adopt a 10 year facilities plan for future planning.

As mentioned earlier, our goals provide us with a direction. As educators we all want to do what's best for our students. We feel by implementing the district's goals will give our students the best chance for success in the 21st Century. We thank you for your continued support.

## Txt Wire- Mrs. Hardy

This school year Valley School District joined with Txt Wire to send out text messages to parents and students for important information. We send out messages periodically, primarily emergency messages such as school closures or bus delays but also other important school announcements. If you are not currently receiving messages and are interested in receiving these text messages, please follow these directions. Open up your text messages. To: **91011** (phone may place a - in the number which is fine) In the message type: **Valley** You will be subscribed and should immediately receive a text message back. In the future you will begin receiving messages anytime the district has important information that you need to know. To stop receiving txtwire messages, in the message to **91011** type: **Stop**

## Winter/Spring Driver's Education -Mrs. Lamun

Just a reminder- Winter/Spring Driver's Ed. begins Feb. 9 at 6:30 am. Parents must attend for the first few minutes. You must have paid in the high school office (at least \$100), purchased your permit, and picked up a driver's manual at the DMV.

## SCHOOL BOARD

ZONE 1: Elizabeth Jones

ZONE 2: Dusty Standlee

ZONE 3: Jim Ritchie Jr.

ZONE 4: Mark Okelberry

ZONE 5: Kattie Carlquist

## CONTACT NUMBERS

Superintendent: 829-5333

High School: 829-5353

Middle School: 829-5961

Elementary: 829-5961

Food Service: 829-4107

Special Service: 829-5961

Athletic Director: 829-5961

Technology Service: 829-4165

## ON THE WEB

[valleyvikings.org](http://valleyvikings.org)



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## FCCLA and Leadership Class—Mrs. Elorrieta

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Blankets needed AGAIN; the blanket drive is Continued!!! Community members are encouraged to participate in this project by making and donating blankets. Our goal is 150 blankets before April 1, 2017. Here are the criteria: new washable material, handmade, and from a smoke-free home. Fleece, quilted, tied, rag, crocheted, knitted - it doesn't matter, just new and handmade. All blankets will be donated to the local CASA chapter (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children). These blankets will be given to children that are considered to be in a crisis situation, so they need to take up little space . . . crib size (45" x 54") works well. The size truly doesn't matter; the most important aspect is that they are handmade with love to express to a child that someone cares.

Mrs. Elorrieta's Leadership class is also in need of fabric donations (100% cotton, flannel or fleece) so they can learn to sew and make blankets to donate. Blanket or fabric donations can be brought to Valley High School or you can call Madisyn Kimmel or Toni Elorrieta for other arrangements (829-5353).

Email: [elorrieta@valley262.org](mailto:elorrieta@valley262.org)

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## Wellness Night- Mrs. Lukes

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Please put February 28th on your calendar as a night not to miss! Join your child (K-8) for a Family Wellness Night on Tuesday, February 28th from 6:30-8:00 pm. There will be different activities to participate in. The students will be teaching their parents about things they have been learning in PE and the 8th grade Health classes will have their nutrition posters set up. A healthy snack will be provided for all who participate! Put on your tennis shoes and come have a fun-filled night!

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## Mr. VHS—BPA/Mrs. Gordon

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Balloons and streamers were hung, chairs all lined up, boys practiced and excited, the show was ready to start.....Mother Nature had different plans. Good news, the show will go on! We have reschedule the event for Monday, March 6th at 6:00pm!! If you have already purchased tickets, please hold onto them as they will still be valid. If you need tickets please contact any BPA member or Mrs. Gordon to pre-purchase them for \$2. The tickets will be on sale for \$4 at the door. This is a great event guaranteed to make you laugh! Mr. VHS is a senior boy pageant where the boys will display their formal wear, sportswear, talent and answer an impromptu question. Each boy will be auctioned off after the pageant in exchange for 3 hours of work. Proceeds help Business Professionals of America members attend State & National Leadership Conferences. This year's National Leadership Conference is in Orlando, FL. Please come and support the senior boys nominated for Mr. VHS and Valley's Business Professionals of America. **The following boys will compete for Mr. VHS 2017:** Zach Bronson, Jack Burton, Tim Carlquist, Mike Elorrieta, Ianaxel Garcia, Calvin Korom, Jacob LaVoy, Brock Stephens, Juan Vivanco, and Tucker Waters.

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## Business Professionals of America - Mrs. Gordon

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Valley's Business Professionals of America Club competed at the Regional Leadership Conference in Wood River on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to Tim Carlquist, Jamie Coronado, Jacob LaVoy, Madison Lee, Matthew McAuley, Nate Rogers, Brock Stephens, Mackenzie Taylor, Lucas Trzynka, and Tucker Waters on an outstanding representation of Valley. The competitive events chosen included Video Production Team, Computer Security (Lucas Trzynka 2nd), Graphic Design Promotion, Broadcast News Team, Personal Finance Management (Tim Carlquist 2nd), Human Resource Management (Nate Rogers 1st, Jacob LaVoy 2nd), Computer Network Technology (Mackenzie Taylor 1st), Network Administration using Microsoft (Mackenzie Taylor 1st) and Medical Office Procedures. 5 members qualified in 6 events to advance to State while the other members will advance through Torch Awards, Open Events, and Leadership. The members of Valley BPA will be attending State Leadership Conference in Boise, Idaho on March 9-11. Congratulations to all, I am very proud of you!

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## Wrestling—Valley Recreation District

The Valley Recreation District is offering wrestling sign-ups for boys and girls K-6. The cost will be \$25 with a t-shirt or \$15 without. These t-shirts are different than those used in basketball. It is not mandatory to purchase a shirt. Practices will be held twice weekly and matches are on Saturdays in March. Sign-ups will be available online during the month of February for those who have already created an account with the Rec. District on our website. Just look for the “Wrestling Sign-ups” button. For those who wish to create an account you can do so at any time by logging into the [valleyrecreationdistrict.com](http://valleyrecreationdistrict.com) website, click on create an account and follow the directions. This account is completely secure with your own password and will stay with you until you choose to cancel it at any time. By creating an account, you will become a member of our web page and you will be on our messaging list. This will give you firsthand information on upcoming programs and registrations the Recreation District has to offer through emails and mobile messages (if you choose to participate in that feature). We have added a parent resource button on our menu ribbon. This will give you access to all the information needed to set up your own account and utilize our mobile app feature. We hope this new method will make things more informative and easier for everyone. We will offer sign-ups in the commons on Wednesday, February 22 from 5:00-6:00 pm and Friday, February 24 from 5:00-6:00 pm for anyone who does not have access to online services. **You will not be able to sign-up in the office.** Any questions regarding our online services or the wrestling program call Rob Grant at 825-5021.

## Young Writer's Contest Winner—Mrs. Richardson

Congratulations to Logan Dimond! Logan was named this year's winner in the 6th Grade Division of the Young Writers Contest sponsored by the Twin Falls Chapter of the Idaho Writers League. The judges described his story, The Cube, as a “Fast-moving fantasy that involves medical research with teenage curiosity and discovery.” Logan was honored at an awards ceremony at the Jerome Public Library.

## Music Notes—Mr. Hanchey

Congratulations to 7 of our middle school band students (Addy Delgado, Kylie Schilz, Dawson Schilz, Yessica Torres, Angelica Beltran, Justyce Schilz, Isiah Giles, Henry Talbot) who have been selected to the Region IV Junior High Honor Band this year. The students will be performing at O'Leary Junior High in Twin Falls on February 1st at 6pm. Show your support by coming and listening to our all-star band students.

## Free Cavity Prevention Clinic— Mrs. Richardson

Delta Dental of Idaho will be conducting a free dental sealant and fluoride varnish clinic for students in 1st, 2nd, 7th, and 8th grades. This service is being offered at the school for free. There is no cost associated with this service, and at no point will Medicaid or private insurance be billed. The service is being offered at the school on Feb. 22, 23, 24, 28 and March 1. Sealant and fluoride help prevent many cavities. If your child already has sealants, sign them up to make sure their sealants are in good shape and to make any repairs. Children with braces can still receive sealants and fluoride varnish. Children coming will receive a free toothbrush and timer. They will also bring home a paper letting you know what services were provided.

Your child will be bringing home a permission slip and information sheet. Please sign and return it to their classroom teacher in order for them to receive this service.