



Valley Newsletter

April 2022

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Superintendent Notes—Mr. Anderson

Levies Pass

The entire Valley School Staff & School Board would like to thank the patrons of the school district for passing the March 2022 supplemental levy and the plant facility levy. Both measures passed by 70% margins. We appreciate your commitment. Each levy allows our district to continue on with the programs and facility upgrades you care about. These particular levies provide our students with full-time kindergarten, music & art programs, extracurricular busing, and paraprofessional staffing that goes beyond what is appropriated by the State. We will continue to do our best to provide our students with top-notch facilities, programs, and dedicated teachers. Again, thank you for your support!

Transportation Issues

The Mid Co Bus Company has struggled this year with a shortage of bus drivers. This has led to an inconsistency with route coverage and time delays. It is a frustrating situation and one the district has very few solutions for. Our parents have been very patient throughout, and we are appreciative. We certainly hope Mid Co finds additional drivers to alleviate the situation. If you would like to become a school bus driver, please contact Mid Co Bus Company (208-733-8003).

Wrestlers at State

Valley qualified four wrestlers to State this year. Jason Wethern competed in the 106 pound division, James Meyer competed in the 126 pound division and was a state runner-up winner, Hunter Shobe competed in the 182 pound division, and Robbie Staffen competed in the 195 pound division. Congrats to all of our wrestlers for their hard work.

Retirement and New Hires

Mr. Dale Hammond, our Technology Director, announced his retirement back in January. His last day will be at the end May of 2022. The district recently hired Steven Gardner as the new Tech Director. Welcome aboard Mr. Gardner! Thank you Mr. Hammond for all of your years of service and dedication!

2022-2023 Calendar

Our school board has ratified next year's calendar (2022-2023). Wednesday, August 17, 2022, will be the first day of school, and the last day of school will end on Thursday, May 18, 2023. Student contact days, quarters & semesters all remain about the same as past calendars (143 days).

SCHOOL BOARD

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ZONE 3: Jim Ritchie
ZONE 4: Matthew Kimmel
ZONE 5: Kevin Black

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ON THE WEB

valleyvikings.org

Kindergarten Registration—Mrs. Kohtz

We will hold Kindergarten Registration for all new kindergarteners on April 13th and 14th from 12-5:00 PM. Please bring in your new kindergartener, a birth certificate, and immunization records for a short 20 minute screener and to fill out registration papers. Your child must turn 5 on or before September 1st, 2022. If these times do not work for you, please contact us so we can gather some basic information. You can contact the school with any questions at 208-829-5961.

Spring Standardized Assessments – Mrs. Hardy

ISAT testing will be for grades 3-11 after spring break. SAT for all Juniors will be ALL DAY, beginning at 7:45 on Wednesday, April 13th. Like always, please make sure your child has good attendance. They need to be at school on time and NOT leave early. Please make sure they are well rested and have good nutritious habits. IF your child will be gone, please notify the office as soon as you know they will be absent. It is difficult for students to stay caught up on assignments. During the testing season, when they are absent, it is even more difficult because they need to make up classroom work, as well as any standardized tests they may have missed.

Valley Greenhouse – Mrs. Meyer

Spring is here! We would like to thank all those who have supported the greenhouse through the years. Your support has benefitted the high school sciences. Our tiny plants are looking good. We have beef steak tomatoes, roma tomatoes, and some cherry sweet tomatoes (couple of varieties). For flowers, we have moss roses and petunias. This year we have coral wave petunias, midnight (dark purple) regular petunia and frost petunia with a variety of colors. The students are currently seeing if they can grow other varieties of flowers and vegetables from seeds. Check the Valley website for updates on what we have available, or come by and see for yourself. Hope to see you this spring! For a complete order sheet go to www.valleyvikings.org or email: greenhousefx@valley262.org

Boys Basketball – Coach Hardy

On behalf of the varsity boys basketball team I would like to thank the community, administration, and student body for supporting us throughout this season. The atmosphere for our district championship game was amazing and the trip to state will always hold a lot of memories. This team overcame a lot of obstacles this year and grew together to be extremely tough to beat. I would like to thank the coaches and their families, the cheerleaders, and the JV players for their effort this season. Also, a big thank you to the Booster Club and Ted & Lana Black for their help and support. This was a fun ride that I hope many students, parents, and fans will remember for years to come.

Spring Driver's Education Thank You—Mrs. Lamun

The Winter/Fall Driver's Education class would like to thank Tyler and Natalie Pierson for putting on another great class about driving in and around semi-trucks. It makes it so much more "real" when you can see it for yourself. We appreciate them donating their time and expertise for the good of our community. We also would like to thank Gary Amoth Trucking for allowing Mr. Pierson to bring his truck and trailer over to our school.



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Vaccine Clinic for Juniors and Seniors – Mrs. Richardson

On Wednesday, April 20th, Valley School is offering a vaccine clinic for current juniors and seniors. The clinic will run from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. A School Clinic Signature and Consent Form will be given to your student. Please fill out the form and return it to school if you would like your child to have the vaccine(s). No payment will be accepted at school. Two vaccines, as well as any “catch-up” vaccines, will be offered.

The meningitis vaccines available are the **MCV4** and **Group B** to cover both strains. The **MCV4** vaccine is a requirement for entering the 12th grade, and can be given during their junior year. It is a requirement for many colleges as well. **Group B** Meningitis vaccine is also required for many colleges and church missions. It is a two-shot series. If your student chooses to have that vaccine as well, the 2nd shot will be offered next fall for juniors, and graduated seniors will need to have their 2nd dose on or after October 21st, 2022. Please contact the school nurse if you need or have questions about any additional vaccines, so that we can have them available as well.

Meningitis is an uncommon, but serious and potentially deadly disease that is most common in adolescents and young adults aged 16-23. Typical adolescent/ young adult behavior that spreads the disease includes: close quartered living and group activities, sharing drinks and/or utensils, and kissing. Approximately 10% of those who contract meningitis will die. Another 20% will have lifelong disabilities including amputations, brain damage, vision loss, and motor impairments. One or both meningitis vaccines are required for entrance to many colleges and universities.

BPA State Leadership Conference – Mrs. Gordon

The 2022 State Leadership Conference was held on March 17th-19th at the Boise Centre. This year the students had the opportunity to learn from a nationally known professional speaker, coach, trainer and author, Aaron Davis also known as the “Expert on Attitude”. Aaron focuses on teaching skills and tips to utilize a “Champion Attitude” for positive impact in your work and personal life. Students also participated in valuable workshops such as Dress for Success, Preparing for the Workforce, and Exploring Your Creativity. Valley BPA would like to extend a thank you to Clint Whitehead with Western Trailer and Brian Wight with Dutch Bros for providing our group personalized industry tours. We appreciate all the support from school administrators, parents, and the community to get us this far every year.



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