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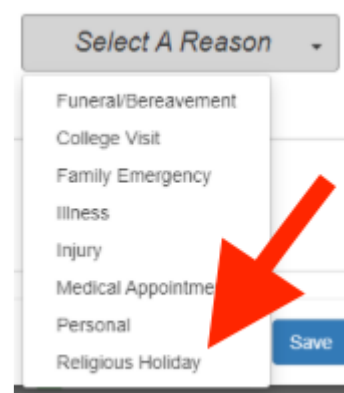
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ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Reporting Religious Absences

Did you know? Families can select "Religious Holiday" as an option for a child's absence in ParentVue, when applicable. This notation could be helpful to our school staff so they can plan accordingly for your student's absence.



Student Names in the 2024-2025 Yearbook

If a parent or guardian has requested a preferred first name for their student, that will be the first name printed in the yearbook. If a student or guardian has questions about the student's name as it reflects in our student information system, they can log into Student or Parent Vue, navigate to "Student Info" on the left menu and then review the student's preferred name listed. If a student does not show a preferred name, then their first name will appear.

Examples:

Ex1: Katherine Bonnema - logs into Parent Vue and it reflects preferred name: Katie. This student would show as "Katie Bonnema" in the yearbook

Ex2: Bryan Brutto - logs into Parent Vue and sees nothing in the section for preferred name. This student would be shown as "Bryan Brutto" in the yearbook.

Updates to student's preferred name must be emailed directly to our registrar, Terri Chee at thchee@bluevalleyk12.org by **December 1st**. Any questions can be directed to our yearbook advisor, Mrs. Sinclair-King at csinclairking@bluevalleyk12.org.

PTO News

TEEN ATHLETE PILATES TRIAL CLASS

BVW PTO and Fit Form Pilates have worked together on a new opportunity for our students. Join our Teen Athlete Pilates Trial Class on November 17th—No matter your sport, Pilates can help boost your performance, prevent injuries, and improve focus. Train smarter, recover faster, and take

your skills to the next level!

Limited spots available! Sign up NOW to reserve your spot and strengthen your game!

3 Steps to Sign up for the Trial:

1. [Follow this link](#) and print out the waiver to bring with you.
2. Purchase the \$10 trial class and create an account
3. Scroll on the calendar to November 17th and sign up for one of the 3 classes

Coming soon...On going Pilates classes just for teens!



PILATES FOR TEEN ATHLETES

Enhance core strength, flexibility and balance

NOVEMBER 17th | FitForm Pilates

Classes at 11, 12 and 1pm
\$10 ticket
Grip socks provided by BVW PTO

DO YOU FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA?

It is a great way to see photos from school and PTO sponsored events at BVW and keep up to date about upcoming events. GIVE US A FOLLOW!

INSTAGRAM: [ptobvwest](#)

FACEBOOK: [BlueValleyWestPTO](#)

BVW BLANKETS & YARD SIGNS ON SALE

Purchase your BVW gear on our website! [ORDER HERE](#)

SENIOR NEWS Class of 2025

Cap and Gown Orders

Cap and Gowns will be handed out to students at Class Day Rehearsal in May. Graduation Announcements will be delivered and handed out in March, class rings take 8-12 weeks after an order is placed and apparel takes 1-2 weeks. Each graduating class has a unique cap and gown so students cannot wear a design from another year (ie: cannot wear an older siblings gown). [Order Today!](#)



BLUE VALLEY WEST HIGH SCHOOL

ORDER YOUR GRADUATION ESSENTIALS!

Herff Jones is the official provider of your Cap & Gown, Custom Graduation Announcements, Class of 2025 Apparel and Class Rings! Don't miss the chance to celebrate your accomplishments and commemorate your upcoming graduation. Congratulations Class of 2025!

Graduation Date

Graduations will be held at the Blue Valley West High School Football Stadium, referred to as ANTDAC (Antioch District Athletic Complex) located at 162nd and Antioch.

The schools affected by inclement weather will move inside to the BVW Gymnasium at their regularly scheduled time.

BVW graduation will be at 7:00pm on May 18

Senior Fees

Parents of seniors are asked to contribute a \$40 fee toward their senior activity fund and annual senior class gift that is donated to the school.

Senior Fees help to offset graduation celebration and rehearsal activities that happen throughout the year. Help us make our seniors' final year a great one! [Pay Senior Fee now.](#)

ATHLETICS NEWS

Purchase a 2024-25 Athletics Pass

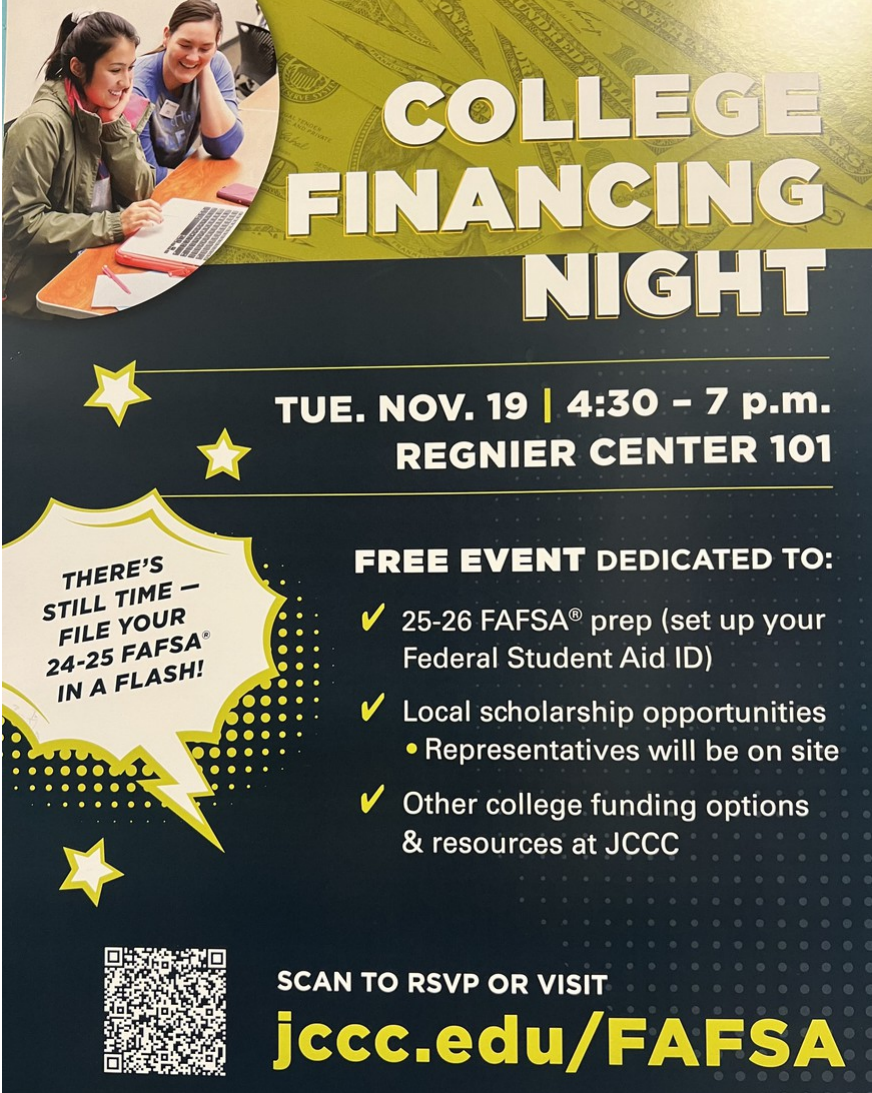
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COUNSELING

JCCC FAFSA Info Night

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A promotional poster for a 'College Financing Night' event. The top left features a photo of two students looking at a laptop. The background is dark with a pattern of yellow stars and a speech bubble. The text is in white and yellow. A QR code is in the bottom left, and the website URL is in large yellow letters at the bottom right.

COLLEGE FINANCING NIGHT

TUE. NOV. 19 | 4:30 - 7 p.m.
REGNIER CENTER 101

THERE'S STILL TIME — FILE YOUR 24-25 FAFSA® IN A FLASH!

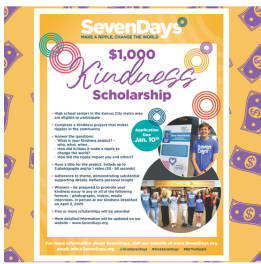
FREE EVENT DEDICATED TO:

- ✓ 25-26 FAFSA® prep (set up your Federal Student Aid ID)
- ✓ Local scholarship opportunities
 - Representatives will be on site
- ✓ Other college funding options & resources at JCCC

SCAN TO RSVP OR VISIT
jccc.edu/FAFSA

Scholarships

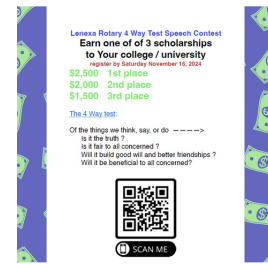
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Seven Days Kindness Scholarship



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DISTRICT NEWS

BV Unmuted Podcast Episode: Why Attendance Matters

In the latest Blue Valley Schools' BV Unmuted podcast episode, Superintendent Dr. Tonya Merrigan is joined by Leah Vomhof (Blue Valley Northwest principal), Stacey Sperry (Prairie Star Elementary principal) and Dr. Cory Cox (Blue Valley North assistant principal) to discuss the importance of school attendance.

To listen to the podcast episode, visit <https://tinyurl.com/AttendanceBV>.

Civility Policy

We are thankful for the ongoing partnership and support we experience in our school community. Working together we ensure the best possible student experience allowing them to realize personal success. There are times, however, when issues arise which require our continued collaboration to resolve. Families may utilize the matrix linked on [the district website](#) to best address questions and concerns that may arise throughout the course of a school year. Finally, all staff and visitors should conduct their business free from intimidation, harassment, or bullying. The district's Board of Education states expectations regarding civility within [Policy 6341](#). Again, thank you for your partnership in helping to maintain a safe school community environment for all.

Attendance Matters Article #3: Maximize Learning by Planning Ahead

We know that medical appointments are sometimes unavoidable, but whenever possible, it's important to schedule them outside of school hours. High school classes move quickly, and missing even a portion of the day can mean falling behind on lessons and group projects. Each absence takes away from valuable learning time that is difficult to make up.

CAPS Open House

Interested in learning more about CAPS? Join us for an in-person, pre-enrollment Open House on November 20, 6-7pm. For more information, check out the [CAPS website](#).





Blue Valley West

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