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ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Finals Week Schedule

Finals run from December 18 through the 20th.

- Monday - Odd Block
- Tuesday - Even Block
- Wednesday - 1st block and 2nd block finals, dismissal at 10:25am
- Thursday - 3rd, 4th, and 5th block finals, dismissal at 11:55am
- Friday - 6th and 7th block finals, dismissal at 10:25am

Last Call for Lost and Found Items

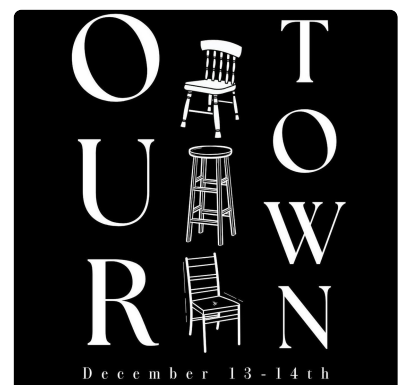
We have bins full of lost items - water bottles, lunch boxes, sweatshirts, jackets, glasses etc. All items will be donated at the end of semester. If you are missing something, come to the main office to claim it.

Bowling Team Participation

Looking for a fun winter sport with a short season? **We need girls for the Blue Valley West Bowling team!** Our season runs from 1/6 - 2/20. If you're interested in joining, please email Coach Magee at ANMagee@bluevalleyk12.org or stop by Coach Wallace's room (170). You'll need a current physical and an updated athletic registration account to participate.

Advanced Rep Theatre Show

Don't miss the BVW Advanced Repertory Theatre class's production of ***Our Town*** by Thornton Wilder, a timeless American classic that celebrates the beauty of everyday life. This heartwarming and thought-provoking play captures the universal experiences of love, loss, and community in the fictional town of Grover's Corners. With poignant storytelling and remarkable performances by the Advanced Rep Theatre students, under the direction of senior Lance Carter, this production promises to be a night to remember. **Join us**



on Friday, December 13 or Saturday, December 14, at 7:00 pm in the intimate setting of the BVW Little Theater. Tickets are just \$10 and are available for purchase [here](#). Don't miss the chance to witness this masterful work come to life on stage and thank you for your support of BVW Theatre!

Important Information Re: Travel Outside of the USA

This important message is for any family or staff that will travel out of the United States during the school year. Please [click here](#) to read the restrictions and recommendations for Out of the Country travel. Blue Valley resources such as Canvas, Classlink, and school email are not accessible out of the country unless you have a personal device with a VPN on it.

PTO News

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](#)

New Jag Night

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A poster for 'New Jag Night' for the Class of 2029. The background is a grayscale image of a large crowd of people. The text is centered and reads: 'All incoming BVW 9th graders & families' in a black script font, followed by 'BLUE VALLEY WEST' in bold black sans-serif, 'CLASS OF 2029' in red sans-serif, and 'NEW JAG NIGHT' in large red sans-serif. Below this, it says 'Please join us to learn about enrollment options and opportunities to get involved as a BVW student.' in black sans-serif. At the bottom, 'JANUARY 15, 2025' is written in large red sans-serif. The final lines are 'Enrollment Information Sessions available from 6:00 – 8:45' and 'Activities/Athletics available in Commons from 6:00 – 7:30' in black sans-serif.

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SENIOR NEWS Class of 2025

Seal of Biliteracy for Seniors

Seniors received information about the opportunity to earn the Seal of Biliteracy via email communication during the week of November 18. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please review the [Seal of Biliteracy website](#) for detailed information.

If you would like to participate, the [Seal of Biliteracy Student Intent Form](#) must be submitted by the end of day **Friday, Dec 20, 2024**.

Cap and Gown Orders - Due Now!

If you are walking at Graduation, get your order in now to make sure you have a Cap and Gown come May. [Order Today!](#)



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

Career Ready and Dual Degree Programs - Info Nights

The Career Ready Programs department is offering several exciting opportunities for Blue Valley students to earn college credit at little to NO cost to families through Johnson County Community College (JCCC).

The information shared at these sessions will be most relevant for current sophomore and junior students and parents/guardians. We invite you to attend one or more of our community-wide family informational sessions in January. We encourage parents/guardians/students to all attend. You do not need to RSVP to any of these events. Please make plans to attend and learn more about these programs. [Career Ready Programs Webpage](#) and the [Link to JCCC Campus Map](#) .

January 22, 2025: Learn more about the Dual Degree option and how to earn your associate degree AND your Blue Valley diploma at the same time! Join us on the campus of Johnson County Community College in the Regnier Center, at 6:00 P.M.

January 27, 2025: Learn more about the Emergency Management & Fire Science program with our partners at the Overland Park Fire Department (OPFD) at the OPFD Training Center at 12401 Hemlock at 5:30 P.M.

January 29, 2025: Learn more about the career ready certification program in:

- Automation Engineering Technology
- Automotive Technology
- Electrician Technology
- Electronic Technology
- Heating/Ventilation/Air Conditioning
- Plumbing
- Welding/Metal Fabrication

We will meet in the JCCC Hugh Libby CTEC building lobby at 6:00 P.M. We will hear from Blue Valley staff, JCCC Deans, Department Chairs, and Blue Valley students currently enrolled in these programs.

January 30, 2025: Learn more about the career ready Cybersecurity and Culinary & Hospitality certification programs in the JCCC Wylie Culinary Center building lobby at 6:00 P.M. We will hear from Blue Valley staff, JCCC Deans, Department Chairs, and Blue Valley students currently enrolled in these programs.

Questions? Please visit the [Blue Valley Career Ready Programs website](#) or please feel free to reach out to Sarah Beren, Liaison to JCCC for Blue Valley Career Ready Programs, at 913-239-4141 or sberen@bluevalleyk12.org and Adam Wessel, Director of Career Ready Programs, 913-239-4023 or ajwessel@bluevalleyk12.org.

Scholarships

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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>.



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