

# Jaguar Journal

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## ALL SCHOOL NEWS

### Second Semester Course Fee Payment is Now Open!

High school course fee payment for the second semester is open and [online now](#). Your ParentVUE login and password are required to pay course fees.

- Course fees are assigned based on the master schedule and your student's enrollment.
- Course fees are assigned for the second semester only.

Questions regarding fee payment should be directed to the bookkeeper, Ann Oades at [AWOades@bluevalleyk12.org](mailto:AWOades@bluevalleyk12.org)



### Virtual Summer Course Enrollment

#### Enrollment for virtual summer courses opens March 25

Enrollment for Blue Valley Summer Programs opens 8 a.m. March 25 and closes 4 p.m. April 7. These programs include virtual courses for credit, such as Business Essentials or Physical Education. Additional information about Summer Programs, including a high school virtual course catalog, can be found at [www.bluevalleyk12.org/summerprograms](http://www.bluevalleyk12.org/summerprograms).

### Upcoming closure at 167th Street, U.S. 69 Interchange

As part of the U.S. 69 Expansion Project (69Express)—a major initiative to improve traffic flow and safety—construction work will soon impact travel near 167th Street.

From March 6-9, one lane in both directions on U.S. 69 will be closed from 159th Street to just before 179th Street for bridge demolition at the 167th Street interchange.

From April-October, 167th Street at U.S. 69, including ramps, will be closed. U.S. 69 over 167th Street will be reduced to one lane each way. Additional information can be found on [69Express' Road Closure Update webpage](#).

While not a school district project, this may affect travel for families. Any impacts to school transportation will be communicated by Durham School Services and All Point Transportation. Please plan ahead and consider alternate routes as needed.

## Testing Day is April 8th

Tuesday, April 8th, is our school-wide testing day for 9th-11th grade students.

[Here](#) is a link for more information about the tests that will be administered that day.

**Bus Transportation:** Durham will run morning routes at standard pick-up times and will pick students up at noon once testing concludes. If your student receives testing accommodations extending their test, you will need to make alternate transportation arrangements for them to be picked up once their test concludes.



**HIGH FIVE FOR TEACHERS!**  
SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025

Your school is invited to join the Kansas City Monarchs for Teacher Appreciation Night!

\*Stick around after the game for post-game player autographs!

FOR EVERY TICKET YOUR SCHOOL SELLS, THE MONARCHS WILL DONATE \$5 BACK TO THE SCHOOL!

SCAN THE QR CODE

USE THIS CODE AT CHECKOUT: **BVW25**

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

BONUS: IF YOUR SCHOOL SELLS 200+ TICKETS BY MAY 5TH, YOU CAN NOMINATE SOMEONE TO THROW OUT A CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH

## Monarchs Baseball - Teacher Appreciation Night

[Purchase Teacher Appreciation Night Tickets here!](#)

After clicking the link above, type in the code "BVW25" in the "Promo Codes" dialogue box located in the left-middle portion of the page

- After entering the code, Two Options will appear to get your seats
- Under "Option 1: Choose Your Seats" Click "Find Tickets"

## LA Wildfires Fundraiser

*My name is Harlowe Persaud and as a member of BVW's JPCo, I am currently fundraising for the victims of the LA Wildfires. The Red Cross is working to provide safe shelter, food, emotional support and other critical services to those in need and is focused on making sure everyone has a safe place to stay. Please donate today to help people recover from this disaster so no one faces this heartbreaking crisis alone.*

Here is the link to donate:

<https://americanredcross.donordrive.com/campaign/BVW-Wildfire-Relief>

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## SENIOR NEWS Class of 2025

### Senior Speaker and Performance Auditions

Are you interested in being the honorary class speaker or performer during Class Doay or at Graduation? Auditions for the [senior speakers](#) will be April 1 in the Fixed Forum and the [senior performers](#) auditions will be April 3 in room 636, during Advisory/AST. Click the links to sign up.

### Pick up Graduation Announcements

If you ordered graduation announcements through Herff Jones, they will be available for pick up in the Senior Flex space on Wednesday, March 12. After Wednesday, they can be picked up in the



main office.

## Senior Assassins Game - Important Information

[Click here](#) to view a letter from Dr. Bonnema regarding the Senior Assassins game.

## 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.](#)

## Senior Countdown

Here are all the [upcoming events and dates](#) seniors need to know about. Check back often for updates and additions.

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# ATHLETICS NEWS

## BOYS Summer Volleyball Camp

Hey Jags! We are gathering info on interest for a BOYS volleyball camp this July! Please fill out the form linked below if interested and stay tuned for more info!

[Boys Volleyball Camp Interest Form](#)

## Purchase a 2024-25 Athletics Pass

[2024-25 Athletics Pass](#)

[BVW Athletic website](#) / [Eastern Kansas League](#)

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# COUNSELING

## Scholarships

Don't miss out! Check XELLO for more information on local scholarship opportunities.

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**  
EXCLUSIVELY FOR:  
*BVW Seniors*

- Emily Kirk Memorial Scholarship  
Deadline: March 16, 2025
- BVW PFD Scholarship  
Deadline: March 26, 2025
- BVW Father's Club Scholarship  
Deadline: April 18, 2025

Learn more about these and other scholarships by logging into XELLO

**LEAWOOD LIONS CLUB**

Earn one of Three (3) \$750.00 Scholarships to your college/university

Current Juniors and Seniors who are residents in Leawood or Overland Park

Will attend full-time either a two, three or four year accredited institution of higher learning

Deadline: March 30, 2025

KEEP CHECKING XELLO FOR MORE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## DISTRICT NEWS

### DAPT Event on April 8

Blue Valley's Drug and Alcohol Prevention Team, in collaboration with BV Well and BVEF, will host a community event for all district parents and staff. The keynote speaker, Libby Davis, from Keepin' It Clean for Coop Foundation, will be offering information to parents on Fentanyl Awareness "Know is the New No". The New Drug Talk is a short informative film about present dangers related to teen substance abuse. And, our own BV DAPT committee will serve as panelist, along with Libby Davis to engage with participants following the program. [View the Flyer](#)



### BVUnmuted Legislative Podcast

Our #BVUnmuted series continues with a focus on the impact of our teachers in the Blue Valley Schools. Blue Valley Superintendent Dr. Tonya Merrigan is joined by three Blue Valley Schools students, Caroline, Arianna and Maverick to discuss the positive impact that our teachers have on their students.

[To listen to the podcast episode.](#)



**Blue Valley West**

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