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ALL SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome to the Jungle

On August 6 from 6 to 7:30pm, incoming freshmen are invited to preview the building, meet with their upperclass mentors, reconnect with middle school friends and meet other members of the class of 2028. Students will get pizza and a BVW t-shirt. This is an optional event. Tickets are \$15 and are available for purchase <a href="https://example.com/here/bw/h

Registration for 25-26 School Year

If you haven't registered your student for the 2025-26 school year, please do so now! <u>High school</u> registration

Registration is required annually and is the time to update your student's information and pay fees. Simply log in and click the registration tab to begin.

If you are moving and your student will not attend BVW this school year, please contact our registrar asap at mlburch@bluevalleyk12.org to initiate a records request.

To register your child, you must:

- Know ParentVUE login: You will need your <u>ParentVUE</u> login/password to complete registration. Need help figuring out your login/password? Call our registrar at 913-239-3708.
- Review/Update Information: Registration is the time to review/update information about your child, including phone, email, emergency contacts, health data, etc.
- Pay Fees: Families have access to pay all fees except second-semester course fees.

Please note: This year, schedules are viewable on the evening of August 8th. Students and families will not be able to see the schedule until online registration is completed.

Freshman Orientation

This is a required event for all 9th graders.

Date: Tuesday, August 12, 2025. Students will be reporting to their Advisory classrooms.

Time: 7:35 am - 10:30 am, students should plan to arrive early, programming begins promptly at 7:35.

Bus routes will run on this day. Students will have a chance to find their classrooms, meet teachers, receive their school-issued MacBook and have fun! Freshmen will end the day with a mini-assembly and as is tradition at BVW, ring our Victory Bell signifying their entrance to high school!

** We have an awesome welcome planned for 9th graders at orientation as they arrive at our front doors or bus entrance - if your student is easily overwhelmed by noise or would prefer a lower sensory input entrance to school that day, please have them use our athletic entrance on the south end of the building **

10-12 Grade New Student Orientation

For new 10th-12th graders to BVW - we invite them to a separate orientation beginning right inside the front doors at 1:30 pm. Students will be provided tours from current BVW students and have the chance to get their school-issued computer. This is optional an optional event.

Date: Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

Time: 1:30pm-2:30pm. They will have a building tour, connect with current BVW students, and receive programming for their school issued Macbook.

BVW Calendar Information

Each quarter, I share an <u>"at-a-glance" document</u> to help with planning for your family. That calendar is static and provides high-level information about the daily/weekly schedule. Please review the calendar, and the "Need to Know" section for important topics each time it's shared. For more specific information, and event and athletic/activity schedules, we encourage you to <u>access this calendar resource</u>. It is also linked to the homepage of our school website through the calendar icon at the top left corner. This platform is new for our district, we'll do our best to keep it updated and user-friendly for our community. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

School Photos on August 14

Student yearbook and ID (9th-11th) photos will be taken on **Thursday, August 14th.** Students will be called down for photos throughout the morning. All 9th-11th grade students will have their picture taken. This is on the second day of school, so please mark your calendars! All photo packages will be available for purchase online only. You can pre-order your photos here.

Seniors who have not had their studio portrait taken for the yearbook will have a final chance to do so on October 15th from 11:00 - 1:15 in the Library Flex Space.



BLUE VALLEY WEST WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14TH



Visit: https://bit.ly/BVWF25 or scan the QR code.

View options for backgrounds, design your own package and order additional items!

PREMIMUM BACKGROUNDS





DESIGN YOUR OWN PACKAGE









PRE PAY AND SAVE! PRICES WILL GO UP AFTER PICTURE DAY!

Order online before picture day and receive free delivery back to the school. (Save \$5.50 in shipping costs)

Fathers' Club 2025-2026 Launch

The Father's Club Info Night Wednesday, September 3, at 6:00pm in the BVW Commons. You won't want to miss it!

The Father's Club is a dad-led, grassroots effort creating simple ways for dads to be intentional with their KIDS, with other DADS and within their COMMUNITY. With resolve, humility, and love, our mission is to be a catalyst for positive influence.

The BV West Father's Club is one of the most active chapters (out of 28+ and growing) across the entire KC metro. We have a lot of fun passing out free donuts and chicken biscuits in the mornings ("Fist Bumps for Food"); staffing concessions during home football games with our kids; grilling out for teachers, staff, and students; conducting Mental Health First Aid training for dads; and participating in the Mission Cup golf tournament, where 100% of funds raised go to benefit Father's Club. In 2022, we also launched an inaugural BVW Father's Club Scholarship Program to provide financial support and recognition to select students who have endured and persevered through mental-health struggles and are willing to share that experience to help others, and/or have made significant contributions toward improving mental health in their community.

At this meeting, you will learn more about upcoming opportunities to meet other BV West dads and make a difference this school year. There is no cost to join! Go to FathersClub.org to sign up and get on our email list.

Join the BVW PTO

There are many ways to be involved and support our BVW students and staff! We are currently looking for volunteers to lead a committee and/or serve on the board for the 2025-2026 school year. For information on volunteering or on the many other ways to support our programs and activities check out our website.

Like us on Facebook

SENIOR NEWS Class of 2026

Need an Unofficial Transcript?

Applying to colleges and universities?

You can download your **unofficial transcript** by navigating to your ParentVue or StudentVue account. Unofficial transcripts can be downloaded from Course History.

Please be aware that current unofficial transcripts do not contain senior schedules, an updated copy will be available next week when schedules are released for the 2025-2026 academic year. All requests for an official transcript should be made through Xello.

Senior Yearbook Photos - Last Chance Date

Did you miss Senior Yearbook pictures over the summer? No worries!

October 15, 2025 from 11 am to 1:15 pm is the last chance date for seniors to have their photos taken for the yearbook. Photo location will be in the Library Flex Space. Please do not miss this opportunity. The yearbook will not be the same without you!

Senior Yearbook Ads

Hey Class of 2026, this is your year!! Get your Yearbook Ad submitted ASAP! Early Bird deadline is September 12 and FINAL deadline is November 7.

Click <u>here</u> for details on submitting a Yearbook Ad for your Class of 2026 student.

ATHLETICS NEWS

Physicals and Registration for the 2025-26 School Year

Fall Sports begin on August 18!

All students participating in a fall sport must complete the online registration and submit a current physical prior to participating or trying out. Click on the link below to complete, if you have not done so already.

Athletic and Activities Registration for 2025-26

Only the **official KSHSAA physical form** will be accepted. You can access the official **KSHSAA physical form for 2025–26 at <u>KSHSAA Physical Form (PDF)</u>**

If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Simmerman at KLSimmerman@bluevalleyk12.org.

Interested in Girls Golf?

Attention girl golfers! Please fill out <u>this Google form</u> if you are interested in trying out for the team this year. If you have any questions, please email Coach Anderson at

COUNSELING

New Counselor

Students with the last names Mit-Sen - please join us in welcoming your new counselor, Mr. Relphorde. He's already hard at work helping to make sure your year starts off well!

Counseling canvas page

DISTRICT NEWS

Understanding Payments in Blue Valley

Here is an Overview of the payment platforms used within the BV District.

District Calendar



Blue Valley West

Lauren is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

