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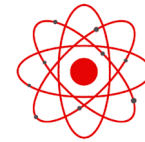
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## CHENANGO VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT **STEAM NIGHT**



**Thursday, February 28 | 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. | CV Middle School  
(CV Middle School Cardboard Boat Races begin at 5:00 p.m.)**

STEAM Night is a wonderful event to celebrate the areas of **Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math!**

STEAM Night will take place February 28, 2019. Most activities will be held in the Chenango Valley Middle School.

The night will kick off with CV Middle School Cardboard Boat Races at the middle school/high school pool. Boats line up at 4:30 p.m., judging begins at 4:45 p.m. and races start at 5:00 p.m. STEAM Night activity stations will get underway at 6:00 p.m. and continue until 7:30 p.m.

Students in grades K-6 can participate in a variety of interactive STEAM and learning activities. Those who attend can also watch some Rube Goldberg machines in action, learn from our high school chemistry students, speak with representatives from local businesses and universities, and view sixth grade science projects. *You don't want to miss this exciting, free and educational event!*

## Capital Project Update

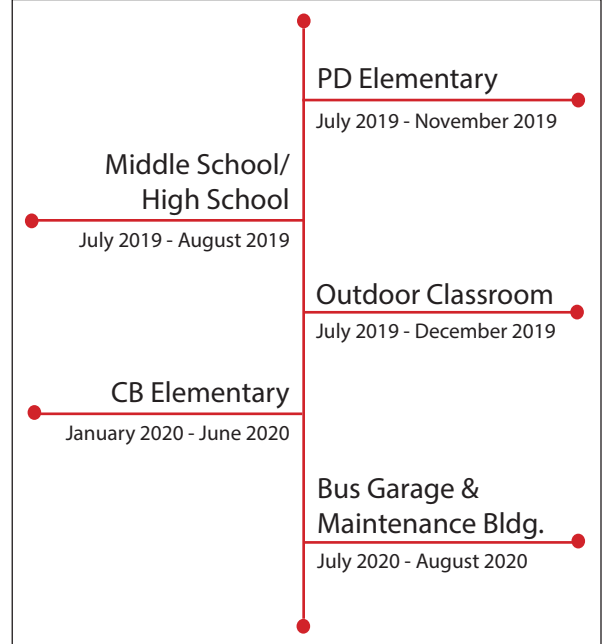
The Phase 2 portion of the 2018 Capital Improvement Project, which includes extensive refurbishment of both Chenango Bridge Elementary and Port Dickinson Elementary, has received approval from the State Education Department. With approval in hand, the project was immediately put out to public bid as required by NY State Municipal Law. The bidding environment was very favorable and the costs came in lower than anticipated, which will allow for some additional work to occur. Most of the contractors are local to the Binghamton area, so the work is also helping to support the local community.

Now that the bidding is complete, more detailed planning with a team of district officials, architects/engineers, a clerk of the works, and contractors will be occurring over the next several months to get the actual construction started. The anticipated construction schedule can be seen in the image to the right.

In order to accomplish this schedule, both elementary schools will be closed for specific periods of time. For the entire 2019-2020 school year, Chenango Bridge Elementary students will be moved to the St. Francis school building. In the beginning of the school year, Port Dickinson Elementary will be housed in the current Chenango Bridge Elementary (741 River Road) building. In January 2020, PDE students and staff are anticipated to move back to the renovated Port Dickinson Elementary building at 770 Chenango St. CBE students and staff are anticipated to return to the Chenango Bridge Elementary building at 741 River Road in the fall of 2020. By emptying the buildings, construction will occur year-round, instead of only during summer breaks, which is another reason for the good bids we received. We are excited for our students and staff to experience beautiful new learning environments throughout both buildings, once construction is complete.

We are also currently working with an Elementary Relocation Committee and will keep you informed as we continue to develop plans for this transitional period. If you have any questions at this time, please contact your building principal.

### Anticipated Construction Schedule



## 'I AM...' Wall Promotes Expression, Connection

CV High School students were asked to complete the phrase "I AM..." as part of a Warrior STRONG project. Their anonymous, handwritten submissions were put on display to help students express themselves and show that there may be others sharing similar perspectives.



\*If you would like to be removed from the automated calling system for weather-related closings, delays and early dismissals - please contact CV Director of Technology/Curriculum Sarah Latimer at [SLatimer@cvcsd.stier.org](mailto:SLatimer@cvcsd.stier.org). Please note that you cannot be removed from automated calls regarding attendance.\*

# District News

## Message from the Superintendent

Dear CV Community,

We have recently started our second semester of the 2018-2019 school year. We've also had many celebrations within the district from areas including academics, arts, athletics, community service and extracurricular activities. CV Warriors continue to provide a district to be proud of.

With Warrior Pride in mind, I'm often reminded of our Mission Statement to "Inspire, Engage and Empower." Both at school and at home, it is so important for our children to learn these three powerful words and to embrace their meanings and actions. As educators and parents, we should want our children to be inspired by their learning, as well as encourage their development as contributors to society. Through this inspiration, we need to keep them engaged in the process. Students and children should be active learners in school and in our communities. Sometimes, as adults, we can try to shield them from learning life's lessons, but this can be a disservice rather than a service. Our job, as both educators and parents, is to empower our students and children to be life-long learners and good citizens in a society that desperately needs them.

The district is preparing for the 2019-2020 budget season and will be working hard to present our CV community a sound budget that continues to support and enrich our educational system, but is also mindful of our taxpayers and their financial constraints. We encourage you to join us for our budget workshops listed on our district calendar, website and page 4 of this *Newscaster*.

Phase 2 of our Capital Project has recently been approved by the New York State Education Department. We are busy organizing our elementary relocations for the 2019-2020 school year to allow for necessary renovations to both our Port Dickinson Elementary and Chenango Bridge Elementary school buildings. More information will be provided regarding this matter.

In addition, we continue to seek qualified school bus drivers to join our dedicated team. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact our transportation department at 762-6850.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. A partnership between school and community equals success! Stay warm!

Sincerely,



Dr. David P. Gill  
Superintendent of Schools



Dr. David P. Gill  
Superintendent

## Board of Education President's Message

I hope by the time you are reading this the weather has warmed up! The brutal cold outside hasn't stopped our students from doing what they do best: playing, performing, practicing and, most importantly, learning. There are a plethora of opportunities to stay involved and motivated in the winter, thanks to our dedicated staff and supportive taxpayers.

At the November 2018 board meeting, I presented a CV Board of Education Strategic Plan. We are currently in the needs assessment phase. This is a process to determine our needs or gaps between our current conditions and desired conditions (or wants, if you will). We decided to research our current state of being by surveying a variety of stakeholders (instructional leaders, students, administrators, board members and community partners) using a SWOT assessment. This type of assessment asks participants to comment on the following:

- Strengths: Superior internal capabilities - Should be capitalized on and replicated as much as possible
- Weaknesses: Internal areas that prevent us from achieving goals and meeting student needs
- Opportunities: External trends we have little control over - Represent opportunities and should be used to improve services or productivity
- Threats: External events, current and pending, that must be considered when creating goals

We have an ad hoc committee who will then review the results, in an open meeting, and begin to develop district goals and, ultimately, SMART objectives. Dr. Gill and his team will then develop action plans. We have decided, as a group, to take on this task and we all recognize the importance of working together throughout the process.

As we navigate this process, we will be using what we learn to help create the 2019-2020 budget. Although it will be a couple of months before the New York State Budget will be passed (so we will not officially know the implications it will have on us locally), we must start preparing with the information we do have, and historical and data-based projections. Our first budget workshop will take place on February 25, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the MS/HS library. It is an open meeting and we invite you all to attend. *(Please see page 4 for additional budget workshop dates).*

As always, we thank you for the opportunity to serve the district.

Kelly Warwick  
President, Chenango Valley Board of Education



Kelly Warwick, President  
Board of Education

## Upcoming Budget Workshops

Each workshop begins at 6:00 p.m. in the CV Middle School/High School Library (221 Chenango Bridge Road)

- Budget Workshop #1 - February 25, 2019
- Budget Workshop #2 - March 18, 2019
- Budget Workshop #3 - April 8, 2019

## Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Sign-Ups for 2019-2020 School Year

We are very excited to welcome some new "CV Little Warriors" to our Port Dickinson Elementary School family. We will be registering students attending pre-kindergarten (4-year-old students) and kindergarten (5-year-old students) for the 2019-2020 school year. If you have a child who will be four (4) or five (5) by December 1, 2019, please call (607) 762-6975. Your child/family will be placed on a mailing list to receive further information about registration.

### Pre-K Registration

- Wednesday, March 27 – day
- Thursday, March 28 – day/night

### Kindergarten Registration

- Monday, April 1 - day
- Tuesday, April 2 – day

### Pre-K Information Night

-Wednesday, March 20

### Kindergarten Information Night

-Monday, March 25

See more information:  
[www.cvcasd.stier.org](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org)



\*It is important to note that if your child is currently enrolled in the Pre-Kindergarten Program at Port Dickinson Elementary for this current school year (2018-19), he/she will automatically be enrolled for kindergarten, beginning in September 2019.

## CV Cares



CV's 2018 Thanksgiving Food Drive collected enough items to provide 93 families food during the holiday season.

Also, a BIG thank you to everyone who participated in the Holiday Program this year, it was a great success once again. We reached out to many families thanks to the generous gifts and personal time donated. Thank you to the numerous clubs, organizations and individuals who were kind enough to take a tag from the district's "Giving Trees/Wreaths"!

These programs would not be a success without your help.

*Thank you,  
CV Community!*

**This spring, parents/guardians and students will have an opportunity to participate in a survey regarding technology and digital learning. As part of our technology planning cycle, we have decided to do a comprehensive survey on technology use and access throughout the district by partnering with a company called BrightBytes. The results of the survey will help us make purchasing decisions, design professional development for faculty and staff, and create new opportunities for our students.**

*More information on how you can participate will be coming out later this spring.*



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

At Chenango Valley Central School District, students are our top priority.

**To help all students achieve success, one of our core focuses is on attendance.**



Showing up for school has a major impact on a student's success from their early elementary years through high school. Research shows that parent/guardian involvement has a positive impact on student attendance.

### **Here are a few ways that you can stay involved to help your child avoid chronic absenteeism:**

- Review and understand the school's policies and procedures regarding attendance.
  - The district's Attendance Policy can be found on our website: [www.cvcasd.stier.org/PolicyManual.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/PolicyManual.aspx) and in each school building's main office.
- Talk with school officials if you have concerns about why your child may be having attendance issues. Our staff is here to provide support and resources to help your child succeed.
- Encourage your child to get involved with activities that may help build more connections, such as after-school sports and clubs.
- Instill in your child that school attendance is a priority and have a discussion on why it is important for them to show up to school every day, unless they are truly sick.

**For more resources on helping students to succeed by reducing chronic absences, you can visit: [www.attendanceworks.org](http://www.attendanceworks.org)**

# District News

## Wellness Day Promotes Healthy Lifestyle Choices

On the last school day before Chenango Valley Central School District's winter break began, CV Middle School continued a yearly tradition to promote healthy lifestyle choices. As the middle school hosted its 12th annual Wellness Day on December 21, students had the opportunity to take part in a day-long series of workshops and activities focused on health and well-being.

Keynote speaker New York State Senator Fred Akshar kicked off the event. Among his message about the importance of being Warrior STRONG (Self-aware, Teamwork, Respectful, Open-minded, Nurturing and Goal-oriented), the senator encouraged students to make positive decisions on a daily basis. "Every day, through the choices that you make, you get to write the story of your life," Senator Akshar stated.

"We have the opportunity every day to nurture each other, encourage each other and make life a little easier for each other," Senator Akshar added.

This inspirational speech was followed by fun and informative workshops from the following presenters:

- Inclusive Sports Training (Facilitated by Jeff Wright of Move Along, Inc. - a chapter of Disabled Sports USA)
- Broome County Humane Society (Facilitated by Kim Broderick)
- Bark-9 Therapy Dogs (Facilitated by Debbie Abbey)
- Nutrition (Facilitated by Sara and Lei Liu of Parlor City Vegan)
- Fitness (Facilitated by Derek Stupski of Stupski Fitness)
- Leadership (Facilitated by Chenango Valley Assistant Superintendent Michelle Feyerabend)
- Drums Alive (Facilitated by Terry and Kayla Price)
- Substance Abuse Prevention (Facilitated by Lourdes Alcohol and Drug Education Prevention Team or ADEPT)
- Information on Vaping (Facilitated by Lourdes Alcohol and Drug Education Prevention Team or ADEPT)
- Mindfulness (Facilitated by Ann Szymaniak)
- Arts and Crafts (Facilitated by Chenango Valley Teacher Carrie Vesce)
- Nutrition (Facilitated by Chenango Valley Teacher Tara Shaddock)
- Digital Citizenship (Facilitated by Chenango Valley Director of Curriculum/Technology Sarah Latimer)
- Fit for Life (Facilitated by Chenango Valley Faculty/Staff Members Trent Patterson and Bill Clark)



Students had the opportunity to rotate through activities throughout the day. Thank you to all who helped to make this day possible!



## CV Students Learn About Adaptive Sports

During the last few school days before winter break, Chenango Valley Middle and High School students had the opportunity to participate in and learn more about adaptive sports. The company Move Along, Inc. (a chapter of Disabled Sports USA) visited Chenango Valley High School physical education classes on December 20 and was part of Chenango Valley Middle School's Wellness Day on December 21. The Move Along program helps to promote general awareness of adaptive sports. These are competitive or recreational sports with modifications for people with disabilities to participate. Chenango Valley students were able to try basketball, hockey and cycling with these modifications.

Students had a great time learning about the similarities to conventional able-bodied sports and experiencing the chance to find out more about the opportunities available through adaptive sports. Thank you to CVMS physical education teacher Mr. Bill Berg for helping to set up this activity.



### Chenango Valley High School Student Accepted into U.S. Senate Page Program

This spring, Chenango Valley High School junior Katerina Retzlaff will spend a majority of her time frequenting the headquarters of our nation's House of Representatives and Senate, the United States Capitol Building. Her ambitious journey was prompted by an earlier visit to the location.



"A few years ago, I was on vacation in D.C., visiting the Capitol, and saw young people around," said Retzlaff. "When I asked a volunteer what they were doing, they told me about the Page Program."

With her interest sparked, Retzlaff researched more on the U.S. Senate Page Program and learned about the qualifications to become a Page, a non-partisan federal employee who serves the Senate. When the time came, she applied to be one herself.

"A lot of people said I didn't have a chance to get in," said Retzlaff. "I didn't let that stop me and now I'm going to D.C."

Sponsored by U.S. Senator Charles Schumer, Retzlaff made her way to Washington, D.C. in late January to serve in the program for a little over four months.

"I'm a little nervous, since this is the longest time I've ever been away from my parents, but I'm excited to meet new people and for the opportunities and connections you can make," Retzlaff said before she left. "So, overall, I'm very excited."

Serving as one of 30 Pages in the prestigious program this term, Katerina will attend the U.S. Senate Page School on weekday mornings, followed directly by work in the Capitol. She will play an important role in the day-to-day operations of the Senate, such as helping to prepare the Senate Chamber for sessions.

"Basically, we'll help things run smoothly," said Retzlaff.

Retzlaff said she's looking forward to the experience of working firsthand with the U.S. government. With senior year and college applications approaching in the fall, she hopes it could also help to narrow down her future aspirations.

"I'm thinking of political science, but not sure what I want to do," said Retzlaff. "I want to see what interests me the most."

Chenango Valley High School Counselor Karen Mullins and Principal Jennifer Ostrander believe Katerina's sense of determination will take her far.

"I was happy to recommend Katerina," said Mullins. "She had the courage to step out of the box for a very competitive position and didn't let the competition discourage her, but instead used it to motivate her."

"We were so thrilled hear that Katerina was chosen to participate in this program. It is rare for a high school student to have such an immersive experience in the workings of our government," said Ostrander. "This will certainly shape her as not only a student, but as a citizen and future voter. We're all so proud of Katerina and her hard work!"

The Chenango Valley Central School District wishes Katerina the best of luck and congratulates her on this exceptional accomplishment.

### 'Warrior Learners' Discusses Promoting Student Success, Provides Mid-Year Check-In

Chenango Valley Director of Special Education Tara Williams Whittaker led a "Warrior Learners" workshop on "Supporting Students to Promote Success, Looking at the Whole Child" on December 10.

This workshop had teachers and teaching assistants explore topics including the benefits of a growth mindset to help students embrace challenges as opportunities and grow as learners. Participants also examined behaviors that can make an impact on student success and identified strategies/interventions to support behaviors in order to improve success.

In addition, those who attended the workshop analyzed New York State social emotional learning goals and their corresponding benchmarks. Each participant selected one goal and benchmark to use in their classroom this school year to help promote student achievement and school connectedness.

On January 14, Chenango Valley Assistant Superintendent Michelle Feyerabend led a "Warrior Learners" workshop which incorporated a mid-year check-in on what newer staff members have learned so far from the program, as well as what they would like to learn in the future. Discussion included a review of what participants have been able to implement in their classrooms, and additional topics such as lesson planning. Participants also had the opportunity to share any questions they might have and talk about how the district can continue to provide assistance through programs such as "Warriors Learners."

The goal of "Warrior Learners" workshops is to provide various support and mentorship resources for elementary and secondary teachers and teaching assistants, especially those who are newer to the district, throughout the school year.



# District News

## EDU 111 Students Observe Elementary Classrooms

Chenango Valley High School students participating in EDU 111: Foundations of American Education had the opportunity to learn insightful information while observing elementary teachers at Port Dickinson and Chenango Bridge Elementary on January 15. While in the classroom setting, students watched teachers perform lessons throughout an entire school day. Lessons included instruction and activities for subjects such as math, literature and music. The EDU 111 students jotted down notes as they observed different techniques and strategies the educators used while interacting with their classes.



EDU 111 is a SUNY Broome Fast Forward college course taught at Chenango Valley High School by Mrs. Kelly Haskell. The seniors in this course have interest in becoming teachers, school social workers and/or school psychologists.

Thank you to all who made this educational opportunity possible and have helped to inspire potential future educators!



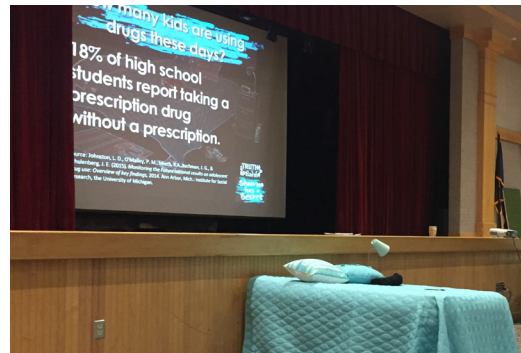
## CV Teacher Breaks World Record

Congratulations to Chenango Valley High School/Middle School social studies teacher Mr. Bill Clark, who recently broke a world record! Mr. Clark beat the previous world record of license plates torn by hand in one minute. In August 2018, he tore 23 license plates with his hands in one minute in front of Guinness World Record officials. Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko and YMCA District Wellness Director Scott Tota were timekeepers, and CV teacher Mr. AJ Cass recorded the event! Awesome job, Mr. Clark!



## 'Shawna has a Secret' Program Held at CV

On December 5, parents/guardians had the opportunity to attend a program at Chenango Valley High School to learn how to recognize warning signs of teenage substance abuse. The "Shawna has a Secret" presentation was put on by representatives from the non-profit organization Truth Pharm (with a grant from the Broome County Opioid Awareness Council). It began with an informative and interactive simulation that helped adults learn how to spot the potential signs of teenage drug use. After the simulation, representatives from Truth Pharm spoke with participants about topics including warning signs, statistics and where to turn to for help.



## CV Senior is Part of Successful New Visions Business Academy Project

CV senior Natalie Lehr was part of a successful Junior Achievement project offered through the BOCES News Visions Business Academy. With the help of volunteer mentors from local businesses, this group of students from around the region received firsthand experience of what it takes to run a business.

"I thought it was a really great experience because we all got to work together and build this company. We started from nothing and had to go to nothing. We went through the entire process," said Lehr. "So, as a person that wants to own their own business later in life, it was definitely beneficial!"



Natalie Lehr presenting to stakeholders with her New Visions team on January 17 at the Koffman Southern Tier Incubator in downtown Binghamton.

In the summer of 2018, the group began to collaborate on project ideas. They ultimately decided to sell specialty greeting cards and multi-purpose water bottles. A nearly \$4,500 net income was raised.

The students presented their successful project to stakeholders at the Koffman Southern Tier Incubator in downtown Binghamton on January 17.

A large amount of the project's income was donated to local charities and organizations including A Room to Heal, the Magic Paintbrush Project, the Humane Society, the Memory Maker Project and Warmth for Winter. Additional income went back to stakeholders.

Lehr said she was grateful to be a part of this program.

"These are things that people are doing in college and beyond, and it's really cool to be able to do that in high school," said Lehr.

## District News

### Mentoring Club Builds Skills, Connections

Mentoring Club at Chenango Bridge Elementary School is an opportunity for Chenango Valley High School students to be positive role models and connect with their younger peers.

The high school students are paired with Chenango Bridge students and work with them on academic and social activities on a weekly basis. These meetings cultivate teamwork, responsibility and communication skills. This school year, the club is supervised by Ms. Lauren Macaluso (Chenango Bridge Elementary teacher) and Mrs. Jeanette Wertz (CV High School teacher). Chenango Valley is proud to offer this valuable program for our students!



### Big Gifted Give Shows Community Support

Thank you to all who helped to make the 2019 Big Gifted Give a success! This year's event was supported by the Chenango Valley High School Interact Club and Junior/Senior Honor Society.

Held on February 2, the event included performances from local talents such as Rooster and the Roadhouse Horns, Chenango Valley teachers and students and members of the Dance Connection. All proceeds and food donations received go back to the community, including Chenango Valley's Warrior Fund and the Catherine's Cupboard food pantry at St. Francis of Assisi. This year, the event raised \$5,779 towards the Warrior Fund!



## Chenango Valley High School Business Club's 8th Annual Dodgeball Tournament



**February 28\* | 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Chenango Valley High School Gymnasium**  
**Tickets: \$2 for Adults | Free for K-12 Students**



*Proceeds will benefit the CVHS Business Club*

(\*Snow Date: March 1)



## District News

### PDE Student's 'Ask a Scientist' Question Featured

"Why do dogs have a better sense of smell than humans?" Second grade student Austin Henyan's excellent question was recently featured in the Press & Sun-Bulletin newspaper, after it was chosen for an "Ask a Scientist" article. The article can also be found on the paper's website, [pressconnects.com](http://pressconnects.com). In the article, Austin's question was researched and answered in-depth by Binghamton University Senior Research Support Specialist Debbie Dittrich. We look forward to having more of the questions from our inquiring young Warrior minds answered in the future!



### CV Students Learn LEADership Skills in YES LAUNCH Training

YES LEADers at Chenango Valley High School learned about the importance of being a positive role model as they took part in a YES LAUNCH training on December 5. Led by representatives from YES Safe Choices, the training started with hands-on activities that encouraged teamwork and communication. Students then listened to an informative presentation and discussed ways to make a positive impact.

YES LEADers also prepared for future presentations for their younger peers at Chenango Valley -- with topics such as vaping/juuling to help inform students about potential health risks and ways to say no. These presentations will take place this spring.



### Presentation Shares Information on Childhood Anxiety

How can adults help the children in their lives to cope with anxiety? This question was among the topics of discussion as Dr. Tanya Gesek, PhD presented "Childhood and Adolescent Anxiety: How we can Help Support our Children and Students" on February 4. The event took place in the Chenango Valley Middle School/High School Library.

The presentation discussed the current growth of anxiety in youth and different types of anxiety. In addition, it covered topics such as prevention and how to intervene if your child is struggling.

Those in attendance included parents, administrators, teachers and community members. Questions from the audience were also answered.

Thank you to Dr. Gesek for visiting and sharing this valuable information!



### Presentation Discusses Supporting Families Through Routines, Schedules and Structures

A presentation on "Supporting Families by Promoting Strategies around Routines, Schedules and Structures" was held in the Chenango Valley Middle School/High School Library on December 12.

This informative event was intended for families of students in pre-K through grade 8. Teachers and community members were also welcome to attend.

The program was presented by the Parent Technical Assistance Center and Early Childhood Direction Center. The Chenango Valley Special Education Department also helped to make this opportunity possible.

# Athletics

## Nathan Lehr Signs Letter of Intent

Congratulations to Chenango Valley High School Class of 2019 senior Nathan Lehr who signed a National Letter of Intent to accept a lacrosse scholarship with Limestone College in South Carolina! Nathan was joined by family, friends and members of Chenango Valley staff during his signing on November 26. At Limestone College, Nathan plans to study sports management. Great job, Nathan!



## Mallorie Turner Signs Letter of Intent

Congratulations to Chenango Valley High School Class of 2019 senior Mallorie Turner who signed a National Letter of Intent to accept a track & field scholarship with Binghamton University! Mallorie was joined by family, friends and members of Chenango Valley staff on December 4 as she announced her acceptance. When Mallorie attends Binghamton University, she plans to study biology. Way to go, Mallorie!

## Boys Swim Named East Division Champions, Athletes Prepare for State Meet

Five athletes from the Chenango Valley varsity boys swim team are going to States! Chenango Valley High School students Dawson Palmer, Michael Schultz, Elijah Lanfer, Peyton Broderick and James Bush will be competing in the 2019 NYSPHSAA (New York State Public High School Athletic Association) Boys Swimming & Diving Championships on March 1 and 2 on Long Island. They were recognized at the January board meeting. According to Coach Frayer, this is the first time in boys swim history that the team is sending relays to the State Meet. The boys swim team was also the STAC East Division Champions for the 2018-2019 winter season! Awesome job to all!



## Girls Swim Ranked Fourth in State in Class B, Athletes Compete in State Meet

At the November 28 CV Board of Education meeting, athletes from the CV varsity girls swim team were recognized for their participation in the 2018 NYSPHSAA Girls Swimming & Diving Championships. Chenango Valley High School students Paige Lettera, Lindsey Rice, Taylor Potenziano, Kendra Potenziano and Harpursville student Victoria (Tori) Whidden represented CV girls swim in the State Meet at Ithaca College in November. Paige, Lindsey, Taylor and Tori placed 18th in the state in the 200 medley relay, and set a new school record in the event. This fall season, the team won its 16th consecutive East Division title. The team was also this year's Section IV Class B Champions and was ranked fourth in NYS in Class B. Wonderful job to all!



## JV Girls Bowling Named East Division Champs



Congratulations to the Chenango Valley JV girls bowling team - STAC East Division Champions!

## Freshman Selected for All-State Team



Congratulations to Aidan Marroquin who was selected for the United Soccer Coaches All-New York team for the 2018 season!

## Lady Warriors 3 vs. 3 Basketball Tournament Provides Fun Time for All

More than 20 teams with students from all around the area participated in the 2018 Lady Warriors 3 vs. 3 basketball tournament. The event helped to raise money for the Chenango Valley girls basketball team. A fun time was had by all!



# Athletics

## CV Cheer Hosts 2019 Sweetheart Classic



Congratulations to the Chenango Valley JV cheer team for placing first in the JV Division at the fifth annual Sweetheart Classic on January 26! CV's varsity team put on a great exhibition performance! The event, put on by CV Cheer, was held in the CVHS gymnasium. Wonderful job to all teams that participated and thank you to all who made this event possible!

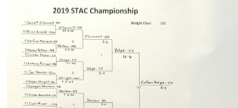
## Basketball Teams Win Holiday Tournament

The CV boys varsity basketball team won the 2018 Greene Holiday Tournament, defeating Whitney Point in the finals. Travis Kraack was named MVP and Nathan Klein was selected to the all-tournament team. Congrats to our JV boys basketball team for winning in the tournament as well!



## Winter 2018-19 Wrestling Accomplishments

(Photos Provided By: Coach Ronald Riquier)



Colsten Volpe - 2019 STAC Wrestling Champion



Congratulations to our seniors: Brady Hope, Nathan Aylward, Nathan Lehr and Shane Follette. They have a combined total of 406 career wins! The above photo was taken at Senior Night.



CV wrestlers placed fifth out of 20 teams at the Phoenix Round Robin Tournament (pictured l-r): Brady Hope 2nd, Nathan Aylward 1st, Colsten Volpe 1st, Nathan Lehr 3rd, Trevor Cortright 1st



Nathan Lehr - Matt Fedish Dual Meet Tournament MVP, pinned eight wrestlers in first period



Brady Hope won at Oneonta Rotary Tournament



Nathan Aylward recorded his 100th career win vs Windsor



Nathan Lehr recorded his 150th career win at the Matt Fedish Duals



Brady Hope recorded his 100th career win at the Matt Fedish Duals

## Varsity Cheer Attends Nationals in Florida, Wins Grand Champion at U-E Invite



The CV varsity cheer team was the grand champion at the Union-Endicott Winter Chill Vibes Invitational on February 2. This February, the team also had the opportunity to go to Florida to participate in the 2019 UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship, where they made it to semi-finals and placed 16th in their division! Way to go, Warriors!

## Student Athletes Attend Women's Luncheon

Some HS student athletes were able to meet Joan Benoit Samuelson on February 4. Samuelson, an Olympic gold medalist and retired American marathon runner, was the featured speaker at the 14th Annual Celebrating Women's Athletics Luncheon atinghamton University.



# Art & Music

## CV Students Display Exceptional Talents at Scholastic Art Awards

Chenango Valley High School student artwork shined in the 2019 Regional Scholastic Art Awards competition. Through their talents and hard work, 15 CVHS student artists received a total of 18 awards. The students, from Mr. Fitzsimmons and Mr. Wilson's classes, were honored at a January 27 ceremony at the Clemens Center in Elmira. During the event, senior Kayla Ferris received an exciting recognition as her drawing and illustration *Duomo di Milano* moved on to state-level competition with an "American Visions Best-in-Show" award.

The ceremony was followed by a reception at the Arnot Art Museum's East Gallery, where each student's artwork will be on display through early March. Fantastic job to all on their artistic accomplishments!

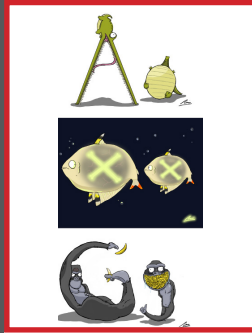
Check out their artwork below and see more from the January 27 awards ceremony and reception on the next page.



**Silver Key Award**  
Ethan Morgan  
*Coiled Vase*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Kayla Ferris  
*Vulnerability*  
Matthew Wilson, educator



**Gold Key Award**  
Jeffrey Rice  
*Animal Alphabet Triptych*  
Matthew Wilson, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Hallie Morgan  
*Designed Vessel*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Abigail Mercik  
*Creative Drop: Tea Pot*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Silver Key Award**  
Kathrine Regan  
*Teeth Mug*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Madeline Selby  
*Iguana*  
Matthew Wilson, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Mary Kate Doyle  
*Mug*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



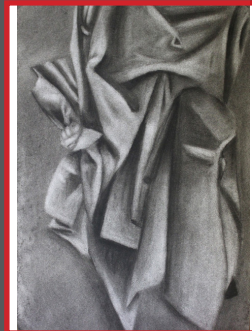
**Gold Key Award, American Vision Best-in-Show**  
Kayla Ferris  
*Duomo di Milano*  
Matthew Wilson, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Marrissa Rogers  
*Cane-Handled Tea Pot*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Julia Morgan  
*Two-Handled Vase*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



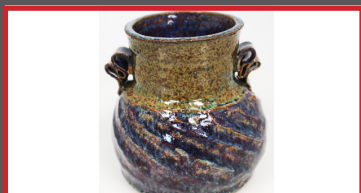
**Honorable Mention**  
Logan Fetterman  
*Draped Fabric Study*  
Matthew Wilson, educator



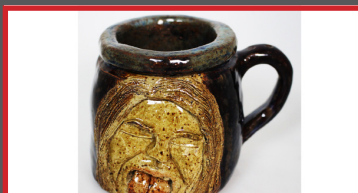
**Silver Key Award**  
Jeffrey Rice  
*My Dad is a Superhero*  
Matthew Wilson, educator



**Silver Key Award**  
Julia Morgan  
*Mug*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Catherine Ashman  
*Frosted Vessel with Handles*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Madison Aswad  
*Alia's Face Mug*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



**Honorable Mention**  
Nolan Wilson  
*Tumblers: Set of 2*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator



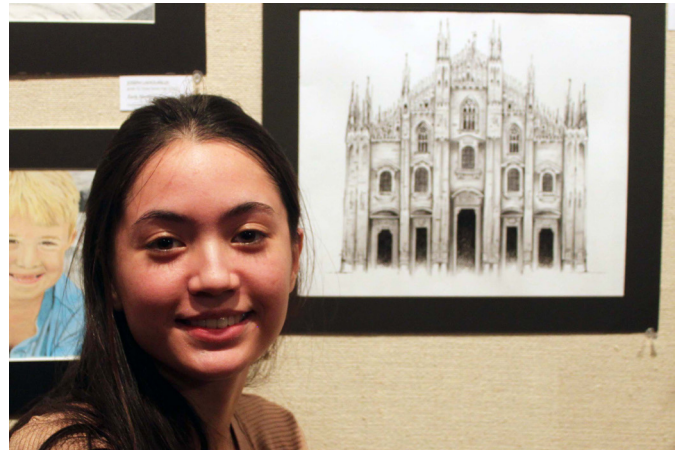
**Silver Key Award**  
Liana Carman  
*Octopus Rice Bowl with Chopsticks*  
Andrew Fitzsimmons, educator

Photos Provided By: Andrew Fitzsimmons and Matthew Wilson

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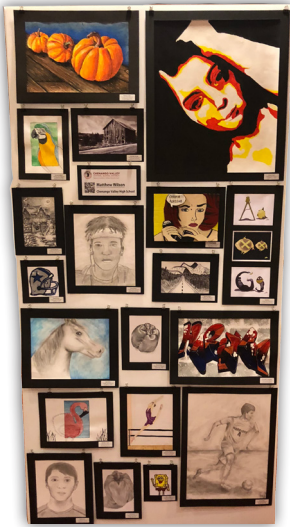
Front Row (pictured l-r): Abigail Mercik, Catherine Ashman, Madeline Selby, Mary Katherine Doyle, Liana Carman  
 Back Row (pictured l-r): Kayla Ferris, Kathrine Regan, Marrissa Rogers, Logan Fetterman  
 (not pictured: Madison Aswad, Ethan Morgan, Hallie Morgan, Julia Morgan, Jeffrey Rice, Nolan Wilson)



Kayla Ferris with her "Duomo di Milano" illustration that received an "American Visions Best-in Show" award.

## CVHS Student Artwork Displayed in Conference

Chenango Valley High School student artwork was recently displayed at the New York State Art Teacher's Association Conference in Buffalo, New York. Great job, Warrior artists!



## CVHS Student Wins First Place in Digital Photo Contest

CVHS junior Erin McCollough accepted a first place award in the "Country Style, the Rural Architecture of Broome and Tioga County" juried digital photography exhibition. The exhibition was sponsored by the Preservation Association of the Southern Tier (PAST). Erin's photo of a Broome County barn was submitted by her art teacher, Mr. Wilson. She was awarded a monetary prize for her entry. Prizes were awarded in three age categories for both counties. Way to go, Erin!



## Sophomore Selected as Artsonia.com 'Artist of the Week'

Kenna Abell, a CVHS tenth grade student, was recently selected as an "Artist of the Week" for her Prismacolor dog portrait project through the high school's online gallery on Artsonia.com.

Each week, finalists' artwork is put on display and the public can vote for their favorite. By winning, Kenna received a plaque and monetary prize. The art department also received a monetary prize towards art supplies. Awesome job, Kenna!



## Reductive Charcoal Drawing Lessons Help Build Artistic Skills

Mr. Wilson's painting and drawing students have been working on reductive charcoal skill building as a way to expand their artistic talents. While looking at a model in front of them, students started with a dark background, pulled out the lights and added in shadows. This process helps students to build upon their highlighting and contouring techniques and requires them to closely observe and find each small detail as they draw.



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## All-County Band (Grades 10-12)



*l-r: Jessica Serafini, Madeline Selby, James Hart, Gabriel McManus*

## All-County Chorus (Grades 10-12)



*l-r: Leann Mulligan, Diane Inzhirova, Olivia Bochenek, James Hart, Vincent Tatich, Faith Riegal, Bridgette Turner, Lilian Shelley*

## All-County Band (7-9)



*l-r: Erin Wales, Mikayla Bucci, Maddisen Nelson, Forrest Dorn, Adelle Wilson, Chad Cole, Olivia Pepples, Alexander Boel*

## All-County Chorus (7-9)



*Top photo l-r: Abigail Skinner, Dayani Lora, Scarlet Shelley, Callie Broderick, Samantha Perney, Alexander Boel  
Bottom photo l-r: Forrest Dorn, Saniah Reeves*

## All-County Band (Grade 6)



*l-r: Holden David, Grace Sabol, Brendan Kliment, Grazielle Lora, Ashland Craig*

## All-County Chorus (Grade 6)



*l-r: Brendan Kliment, Grazielle Lora, Nolan Garnar, Michael Kaufman, Kaida Warwick, Miley Wood*

## All-County Orchestra (7-9)



*Jenna Schaefer*

## Area All-State

**Sr. High Area All-State Chorus**  
Bridgette Turner

**Jr. High Area All-State Chorus**  
Saniah Reeves  
Fisher Sullivan

**Jr. High Area All-State Band**  
Olivia Pepples

## All-County Chorus (Grade 5)



*l-r: Kayden Stalker, Miles Garnar, Victoria Kaufman, Kenna Wales*

## CVMS Production of Disney's 'Lion King JR.' Presents Roaring Good Time

The Chenango Valley Middle School Theatre Guild's production of Disney's "Lion King JR." was filled with wonderful sets, costumes and performances! Leading up to their show, members of the cast performed a sneak preview for their younger peers at Port Dickinson and Chenango Bridge Elementary, made an appearance at the Fenton Free Library and discussed the musical live on a WBNG "Around the Tiers" segment. Wonderful job to all involved on their hard work and dedication to this musical!



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## Theatre Guild to Perform 'THE ADDAMS FAMILY'

The Chenango Valley High School Theatre Guild will be presenting "The Addams Family" on March 1 and 2 at 7:00 p.m. and on March 3 at 2:00 p.m. in the Chenango Valley High School Auditorium.

Please join us for a musical comedy about this kooky and lovable American family. The Addams Family has lived by their unique values for hundreds of years, but their world is about to be turned upside down when 18-year-old Wednesday falls in love with a wholesome "normal" young man. When she invites Lucas and his family to dinner to get better acquainted, hilarious chaos ensues and they are forced to face what they have managed to avoid for generations: change.

For ticket information, visit: [www.cvcsd.stier.org](http://www.cvcsd.stier.org) or email: [CVMusicalTickets@gmail.com](mailto:CVMusicalTickets@gmail.com)

*\*Deadline for phone orders, email orders or ticket changes is Tuesday, February 26.*

*Tickets will also be available for purchase at the door. All tickets are reserved seating.*



(Photos By: Don & Tina Kunkel)

## Pep Band Performs at Hockey Game

(Photo/Article Submitted By: Kevin Hammill)

The Chenango Valley High School Pep Band was asked to perform at the January 4 Binghamton Devils hockey game. Students and parents enjoyed a fun-filled night watching the game. The students played music during breaks. Band member Olivia Bochenek had the opportunity to ride on the Zamboni after the second period and Tara Pitcher was able to help her father announce during a "Chuck-a-Puck" intermission.

The band was also fortunate enough to play with the Binghamton Devils mascot Devil Dawg, who helped to keep the beat in the percussion section.



## Music Department Spreads Glee Across CV

During the winter holiday season, teachers and students who are part of the Chenango Valley Music Department made sure to share the gift of delightful sounds. One example of this was when the Chenango Valley High School Saxophone Ensemble greeted Port Dickinson Elementary students with festive tunes as they entered school on December 20. Another of many events was Chenango Bridge Elementary fourth and fifth grade chorus members singing at the Fenton Free Library Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 1! Thank you to all of our wonderful musicians for sharing their gifts and talents with our Chenango Valley community!



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### Chenango Valley Presents Delightful Winter Holiday Concerts

Chenango Bridge Elementary, Chenango Valley Middle School and Chenango Valley High School students put on wonderful holiday concerts throughout the month of December! Great job to all on their hard work and amazing performances! The Chenango Valley High School performance also included a tribute to our nation's veterans and active duty personnel with an Armed Forces Salute.



**Chenango Bridge Elementary**



**Chenango Valley Middle School**



**Chenango Valley High School**

### UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

- The Addams Family Musical | March 1 and 2 - 7:00 p.m. | March 3 - 2:00 p.m. | CV Middle School/High School Auditorium
- Grades 4-12 District-Wide Choral Concert | March 19, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. | CV Middle School/High School Auditorium
- Chenango Bridge Elementary Spring Concert | May 9, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. | CV Middle School/High School Auditorium
- Middle School Spring Concert | May 16, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. | CV Middle School/High School Auditorium
- High School Spring Concert | May 23, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. | CV Middle School/High School Auditorium
- Ice Cream Social & Band Concert | May 29, 2019 | 6:30 p.m. | Chenango Valley High School





# Guidance

## Attention Student Athletes

As you know, the NCAA has established eligibility rules related to participating in Division I and II college athletics. Should you be considering athletics in college, it is absolutely imperative that you notify your school counselor now. Students are required to take 16 core subject courses. The NCAA does not use elective courses to complete the 16.

To participate at the Division I or II level, you must also register with the NCAA Clearinghouse by going to [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org). Once you have registered, it will prompt you to let the guidance office know, so we can submit a transcript. Finally, you must submit your SAT or ACT scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center directly from the testing agency in order to certify the student-athlete's initial eligibility. All test scores are required to be sent.

\*\*\*\*Eligibility rules are changing for students graduating in 2018 or after. See your counselor for details.\*\*\*\*

-Judy Hayes, High School Counselor

## Five Mistakes Students Make When Picking a College

*From "Link for Counselors" - This information was from an article published by Jill Haley on the Union's website. She is a retired high school counselor, who now works as an independent college counselor.*

**There are some common mistakes that students make when picking a college. Here are five common ones:**

- 1. Not doing enough research:** Considering that the cost of a four-year college can be as much as purchasing a small home, some students do very little research before accepting an offer of admission. They should look at the college website and talk to admission reps before making that final decision. They should never make a decision without visiting the college first. Most colleges have Admitted Student Days in the spring. These open houses focus on incoming freshmen and often include overnight stays in the dorms to give students a real feel for the campus.
- 2. Not knowing the true cost to attend:** This is a big one. Accepting an offer of admission and assuming they will make it all work can be a huge mistake. They should look closely at the financial aid award letter. Most colleges "package" loans within their offers. Taking out too many loans can put a student in debt for 20 or more years. Most schools should have a "net college price calculator" on their site. This should help you make an apples-to-apples comparison between schools.
- 3. Assuming location is everything:** Initially, students invariably put colleges on their list based on location. Anywhere near a beach is popular, but they are also often the most difficult to get into. Some of the best colleges are located away from the coasts, and are less selective because of their location. After all, students are so busy most of the time, they hardly ever make it to the beach. It is the opportunities and connections that a student participates in, and makes the most out of, that can affect their overall experience.
- 4. Listening to other people:** Students often take colleges off their list because they hear from a friend, or a boyfriend's mother, that they know a student who hated the college. Yes, it does happen that someone has a bad experience, but that does not mean every student will. It is important to make a decision based on what the college can offer, not what someone else thinks.
- 5. Thinking that rankings matter:** Many students still pay way too much attention to the rankings. Just because a college rejects over 90 percent of their students, doesn't mean it is THE best college to attend. What matters is if it is the best college for each student. Does it offer the right majors, extracurriculars or financial aid? This is much more important than where it is ranked by U.S. News and World Report. There is no evidence that attending the most highly ranked college assures success in later life.

## Information for Parents: Course Scheduling 2019-20

It is the time of year when the high school counselors are working with your children to get them ready for the 2019-2020 school year. We have been meeting with our students one-on-one since October to complete individual planning sheets. One common theme covered in planning is talking about available course options. We encourage our students to take challenging courses and try to be thoughtful about how their choices will benefit them in the college selection process and in life.

The scheduling process includes going into English classes, where a presentation and overview of options are again covered. Students will all have a copy of their planning sheet and will add their classes online, via their Chromebook. We will provide parents with a copy of the courses their children selected by including them with a five-week report or quarter report card in May. Please encourage your son or daughter to bring this home.

If you have a question about the courses your child selected, please feel free to call our office at 762-6918. We thank you for your support and look forward to hearing from you.

-Judy Hayes, High School Counselor



# Guidance

## Checklist Students can use One Week Prior to Taking or Retaking the SAT Test

Source: Peterson's, January 2019, Author: Taylor Sienkiewicz

Peterson's put together a quick checklist students can use before taking the SAT test:

- **1 Week Out – Step 1:** Take a full practice test. There are many available online.
- **3-5 Days Out – Step 2:** Final Review – Now that you've taken a full practice test, go over any areas you aren't completely confident in. This may mean looking over the material from your textbooks or study guides, or going over practice questions that focus on the subject you're looking to get a bit more review in.
- **2 Days Out – Step 3:** Handle Any Logistics – Plan the trip to the testing location. Make sure you have plenty of time to get there 15 minutes prior to the appointed time. Make sure you have reliable transportation locked up. Print your registration ticket and have a photo ID. If you feel the need for a last-minute review, limit it to two hours so you remain fresh.
- **1 Day Out – Step 4:** Last Minute Details – Now is the time to let your brain take a breather before the test - don't overload yourself with more studying! Be confident in the work you have done. Pack your bag for the next day. Bring No. 2 pencils, your registration ticket, photo ID, approved calculator with batteries, a watch to time yourself, a sweater (if you think you might want it), water and snacks. Relax, set an alarm (or alarms) and get a good night's sleep.
- **Test Day – Step 5:** A Few Reminders – Now comes the time to put all of your hard work, both from your studying and from your schooling to date, to the test. Remember to pace yourself. Be confident in your efforts to learn the material.

### 1st Quarter Honor Roll

#### Grade 6 Honor Roll

Shaubi Algahaim  
Ciara Anderson  
Devin Atkinson  
Simon Austin  
Alex Bangar  
Samuel Begley  
Jordan Benowski  
Nathan Boljevic  
Kamrin Boyd  
Samuel Brewer  
Kayleigh Callahan  
Alyssa Campbell  
Logan Cavanaugh  
Matthew Cease  
Aiden Chordas  
Mileena Colson  
Dylan DeFilippis  
Jacob Demer  
Dominic Fiocco  
Addison Hanyon  
Christopher Hartmann Jr  
Briella Hasty  
Emerson Hotchkiss  
Lilia Inzhirova  
Gabriella Jones  
Caelyn Koch  
Max Kuruc  
Arianna Langevin  
Dominick Martinichio  
Kadyn Martinichio  
Kamryn Martinichio  
Nevaeh Masso  
Elisha McFadden  
Carson Moss  
Rhapsody Moss  
Rylie Moulton  
Brooklyn Murreld  
Jason O'Connor  
Giordana Panella  
Joseph Paugh  
Emma Pavelski  
Jolene Pleus  
Jacob Rackett  
Nicolas Riegal  
Hailey Rinker

Sunshine Robinson  
Zachari Rogers  
Alexander Rzeszot  
Mason Sebastiano  
Brandon Shafer  
Aaden Shannon  
Hayden-Rae Swan  
Gabriel Tallant  
Madelyn Tas  
Carson Thurber  
Avery Tomm  
Haley Trisket  
Isabella Warner  
Justin White  
Ryan Wiley

#### Grade 7 Honor Roll

Amiah Afify  
Angelina Aiken  
Brian Blaise  
Carter Boorum  
Summer Champion  
Addisyn Charpinsky  
Owen Edwards  
Steven Faulkner  
Jordan Ford  
Chaz Gerdus  
Abigail Golden-Thomas  
Connor Gonz  
Aiden Granger  
Madeline Howland  
Iris Keldon  
Bryan Lanner Jr  
Ava Laroussi  
Matthew Leonard  
Rocco Lockwood  
Matthew Loperena  
Madison Marshfield  
Delaney McMahon  
Jacob Mies  
Joshua Morrell  
Grace Pavelski  
Isabelle Pottios  
Luis Ramos-Pritzl  
Logan Sawyer  
Dominic Scott  
Nadia Scott

Page Sherman  
Keagan Smith  
Aubrey Staub  
Alessandro Testani  
Dana Testani  
Camille Volpe  
Andrew Watt  
Jami Williams

#### Grade 8 Honor Roll

Madeline Anderson  
Brenna Atkinson  
Dominic Bevilacqua  
Cicely Bianco  
Gianna Black  
Ivan Bump  
Aidan Butora  
Aidan Cavanaugh  
Anesia Christian-Tas  
Trevor Cortright  
Vincenzo DiLuzio  
Zoe Donlick  
Sarah Doughty  
Nathan Edwards  
Jocelyn Erickson  
Jessica Gates  
Marianna Gerdus  
Logan Getchell  
Emilee Greiner  
Brandon Hirst  
Ariana Hudson  
Icey Jones  
Patrick Kasabian  
Hannah Labarr  
Angelo Mitchell  
James O'Bryan  
Joshua Packer  
Alexys Red Bear  
Elena Rose  
Mercedes Roys  
Christopher Schuldt  
John (Jack) Serafini  
Connor Shannon  
Leo Skiba  
Natalie Smith  
Noah Stanton  
Ethan Striley

Sophie Tourtual  
Cayden Turcotte  
Michael Turna

#### Grade 9 Honor Roll

Christian Allen  
Hunter Arno  
Gabriel Beam  
Amanda Bixby  
Sarah Bush  
Gabiella Capers  
Molly Carter  
Nathan Charpinsky  
Savana Collins  
Zachary Demer  
Forrest Dorn  
Emma Farr-Giblin  
Caydin Gates  
Emily Hamilton  
Maddox Hogan  
Aidan Hoyt  
Jacob Irons  
Linden Knup  
Alissa Kropp  
Kolby Krupitza  
Jordan Martin  
Damon Mayfield  
Gavin Mercik  
Joshua Miller  
Tino Montemagno  
Isabella Moore  
Joseph Nester  
Allyson O'Connor  
Jazmyne Palmatier  
Vraj Patel  
Christopher Paultre  
Damon Potter  
Anna Shaffer  
Priscilla Soule  
Justin Stimak  
Sophia Sullivan  
Thomas Tarbox  
Adonna Taubar  
Nicholas VanBarriger  
Amara Williams  
Alaina Wood

#### Grade 10 Honor Roll

Jacob Ashman  
Timothy Bennett  
Peyton Broderick  
Ellen Buckley  
Paige Carender  
Ethan Clark  
Aaron Dundon  
Thomas Eccleston  
Jakob Emm  
Jordyn Gill  
Tori Goga  
Daniel Gorman  
Marcus Hanyon  
Alexander Hilldale  
Nikkolas Hiras  
Joseph Kozlowski  
Cameron Krisko  
Tristan Lavoie  
Hannah Mohamad  
Ethan Morgan  
Macey Ranucci  
Makenzie Rogers  
Eric Schuldt  
Kaitlyn Schwarz  
Kasey Shoop  
Maximilian Singer  
Abby Snashall  
Jacob Stimak  
Nasira Tas  
Dominic Testani  
Rebecca Viola

#### Grade 11 Honor Roll

Kylie Baleno  
McKenna Beers  
Meghan Berg  
Riley Botting  
Destiny Brady  
Liana Carman  
Brianna Chordas  
Thomas Christoffersen  
Shelby Condie  
Amelia DiRienzo  
Kieran DuBord  
Jack Fasset  
Logan Fetterman

Anthony Forbidussi  
Levi Gulbin  
Macaila Harlost  
Claire Harvey  
Sara Marinaro  
Patrick McCabe  
Rebecca Mercik  
Mackenzie Moore  
Dhwani Patel  
Katerina Retzlaff  
Kendall Rinker  
Angelina Rivera  
Caillee Salisbury  
Emma Schmidt  
Rory Sisson  
Caitlyn Slater  
Allana Wilson  
Alexander Wojcik

#### Grade 12 Honor Roll

William Blewett  
Tara Crissman  
Katie Doan  
David Dodson  
Dylan Ferry  
Shane Follette  
Steven Goldstone  
Carter Grannis  
Macklyn Hogan  
Brady Hope  
Travis Kraack  
Cameron Lockwood  
Dominic Mastronardi  
Kendyll McMahon  
Retta Mosher  
Jackson Moss  
Nicholas Norton  
Caitlyn Pierce  
Alexis Randis  
Haley Risoli  
Harley Sarvey  
Madisyn Savage  
Stefani Schmidt  
Meghan Swan  
Taylor Trout  
Mallorie Turner  
Joshua VanBarriger

## 1st Quarter Honor Roll

### **Grade 6 High Honor Roll**

Madison Allen  
Bryson Bates  
Colsten Beers  
Harper Bigelow  
Vivian Bozuhoski  
Mary Bush  
Megan Butch  
Sarah Chong  
Ashland Craig  
Ajay Datta  
Holden David  
Gwendolyn Desmond  
Natalia Dithrich  
Natalie Dodson  
Michael Doyle  
Adriana Escobar  
James Fitzgerald  
Nolan Garnar  
Anthony Gianisis  
Damon Goga  
Austin Greenmun  
Michael Griswold  
Alaina Hamilton  
Madelyn Hayes  
Grady Heard  
Bobbie-Lynn Hotchkiss  
Madison Hubenthal  
Amelia Irons  
Tantawat Jampar  
Michael Kaufman  
Aisling King  
Brendan Kliment  
Isaiah Kolb  
Adrianna Lenz  
Sarah Lesch  
Grazielle Lora  
Mason Marinaro  
Nathaniel Marinaro  
Courtney McCabe  
Margo Niefer  
Sophie O'Brien  
Jaiden Panella  
Zoe Patterson  
Anthony Presto  
Caidence Ramos-Pritzl  
Abigail Randis  
Makenzi Reinhard  
Madilyn Robertson  
Grace Sabol  
Alexis Sands  
Elijah Sanford  
Schyler Savage  
Tywala Stafford  
Madelyn Strnatka  
Jennings Terrell  
Teagan Thetford  
Natalie Turner  
Brynn Vinsevich  
Warren Walters  
Kaida Warwick  
Avolyn Williams  
Miley Wood  
Aiden Woodruff  
Kristen Young  
Tony Zheng

### **Grade 7 High Honor Roll**

Tarrah Allen  
Sophia Ashman  
Caden Atkinson  
Jenna Beck  
Molly Berg  
Alexis Bilka-Durdon  
Olivia Blaise  
Alexander Boel  
Lana Briggs  
Callie Broderick  
Mary Brom  
Sophia Buccu  
Grayson Clark  
Finian Dolaway  
Destiny Duckworth  
Greta Dutcher  
Grace Frost  
Madelyn Hardler  
Matthew Houseknecht  
Kamryn Hoyt  
Dayani Lora  
Jessica Matson  
Isabella McKown  
Lola Montemagno  
Kelcey Osteen  
Samantha Perney  
Ethan Randis  
Leah Riquier  
Amir Sadykov  
Kyle Santi  
Skylar Schaefer  
Tyler Schultz  
Scarlet Shelley  
Hannah Sherling  
Abigail Skinner  
Covany Skinner  
Haley Smith  
Sophia Stento  
Mary Thayne  
Myron Wells  
Adelie Wilson  
Hannah Woolson

### **Grade 8 High Honor Roll**

Autumn Albrecht  
Ayla Ambrose  
Garrett Andersen  
Amanda Anderson  
Colin Atkinson  
Lucas Baier  
Marley Baldwin  
Michael Battisti  
Ethan Benedict  
Jadyn Bobzien  
Lejla Cehic  
Ean Chapman  
Joshua Coddington  
Chad Cole  
Joshua Conrow  
Olivia DiRienzo  
Sadie Dutcher  
Elizabeth Dzuba  
Jada Ealy  
Carly Edwards  
Elizabeth Eggleston  
Dylan Ford  
Luke Gillette  
Savannah Greenmun  
Kaylee Guelzow

Chase Hanyon  
Lauren Hart  
Cameron Hirst  
Kate Hope  
Tyler Hopkins  
David Inzhirov  
Finnian King  
Jeter King  
Carter Klein  
Gavin Laskowsky  
Marin Lesch  
Logan Lomonaco  
Aubrey Marroquin  
Dylan McCabe  
Tessa McEnaney  
Devin Miller  
Kenneth Moore  
Lucas Morgan  
Tyler Norton  
Kolin Parks  
Jonah Rice  
Corrina Rouff  
Merrell Rouff  
Olivia Santa Croce  
Jenna Schaefer  
Nathan Shafer  
Fenner Sisson  
Alexander Telfer  
Madeline Trisket  
Erin Wales  
Kaylee Watson  
Khammaneh Weather  
Sarah Willmott  
Nadia Wojcik  
Gabriel Wright  
Lily Young

### **Grade 9 High Honor Roll**

Corey Ashman  
Rocco Ashman  
Grace Brown  
Emma Dofton  
Sadie Graham  
Eric Jewson  
Aidan Marroquin  
Kayla McLaughlin  
Zachary Murphy  
Maddisen Nelson  
Chloe Osteen  
Olivia Pepples  
Tara Pitcher  
Jenna Pratt  
Carson Riquier  
Donavon Tomm  
Braedyn Vinsevich  
Nathaniel Wojcik

### **Grade 10 High Honor Roll**

Kenna Abell  
Ryan Atkinson  
Cassandra Blewett  
Natalie Broderick  
John Buchinsky  
Rachel Butch  
William Clark Jr  
Jacob Coddington  
Owen Dofton  
Devin Edwards  
Alexandra Escobar  
Alexander Fedo

Megann Jones  
Elijah Lanfeer  
Joelene Pratt  
Vanessa Rodzinka  
Bryana Sawyer  
Samantha Scott  
Nathan Siedlecky  
Megan Taylor  
Rory Thompson  
Aaliyah Williams

### **Grade 11 High Honor Roll**

Matthew Blance  
Kelsey Burden  
Jenna Castellucci  
Maia Chapman  
Connor Crouse  
Christopher Ealy  
Kyle Ferris  
Cassidy Hopkins  
Erin McCollough  
Abigail Mercik  
Elizabeth Rice  
Gabrielle Rogers  
Brett Salzmann  
Kaylee Shannon  
Henry Stroka  
Ryan Wardell  
Dylan Weeks

### **Grade 12 High Honor Roll**

Jacob Aurelio  
Nathan Aylward  
Tyler Benedict  
Antoinette Bennett  
Eric Brom  
Alyvia Brown  
Ellis Cleveland  
Marc Cooper  
Shane Culver  
Darin Dupuy  
Cita George  
Christy Hanson  
Kaitlyn Hardler  
Grace Harrington  
Morgan Jones  
Nathan Klein  
Edward Kuklo  
Sarah Lamoreaux  
Nathan Lehr  
Thomas Love  
Marc Marion  
Hunter O'Connor  
Kayla Ranucci  
Jayna Ross  
Zachary Sarvey  
Calista Smith  
Molly Snashall  
Mikayla Warner  
Shania Woloch  
Katelyn Wood

## Honors with Distinction

### **Grade 9 Honors W/ Distinction**

Caleb Barkwell  
Maxwell Bigelow  
Mikayla Buccu  
Owen Craig  
Isabelle Dithrich  
Emily Goodstal  
Alex Jacobs  
Owen O'Brien  
Colin Perney  
Saniah Reeves  
Lindsey Rice  
Ethan Rogers  
Riley Spencer  
Ainsley Staub  
Madeline Stento  
Fisher Sullivan  
Thomas Thayne  
Celia Trumino  
Justin Wardell  
Maisy Wood  
Elijah Young

Grace Elliott  
Natalie Gillette  
Diana Inzhirova  
Danielle Jewson  
Audra Lee  
Dominick Lomonaco  
Elizabeth Morgan  
Julia Morgan  
Melanie Nelson  
Teagan Nester  
Abigail Pepples  
Maxwell Reppard  
Michael Schultz  
Caleb Schwarz  
Jessica Serafini  
Daniel Shulman  
Owen Staub  
Ava Travis  
Emma Trumino  
Morgan Whittington  
Austin Williams  
Nolan Wilson

### **Grade 10 Honors w/ Distinction**

Kamryn Bates  
Charles Beam  
Olivia Bochenek  
Brian Chong  
Mary Doyle  
Caelynn Edwards  
Caleb Frost  
Luke Garris  
Kerri Hayes  
Matthew Hensel  
Lucas Hoyt  
Isaiah Keldon  
Thomas McEntire  
Gabriel McManus  
Kendall Morrell  
Dawson Palmer  
Kendra Potenziano  
Andrew Rice  
Faith Riegal  
Miranda Rogers  
Madeline Selby  
Sarah Shafer  
Lilian Shelley  
Ella Stafford  
Zachariah Stanton  
Bridgette Turner  
Colsten Volpe  
Keira Warwick  
Alexa Willis

### **Grade 12 Honors w/ Distinction**

Alia Arnold  
Catherine Ashman  
Alexa Attleson  
Sara Bozuhoski  
James Bush  
Audrey Calica  
Rachel Cron  
Faith Fasset  
Kayla Ferris  
Hannah Frey  
Jacklyn Hardler  
Mary Hibbard  
Ryan Houseknecht  
Jeremy Kellam  
Brittany Kropp  
Natalie Lehr  
Paige Lettera  
Andy Li  
Logan McCarthy  
McKenna Miller  
Hallie Morgan  
Elizabeth Morton  
Leann Mulligan  
Cody Nagle  
Madison Nealy  
Carly O'Brien  
Madison Perrault  
Taylor Potenziano  
Jeffrey Rice  
Marrissa Rogers  
Breanen Rought  
Lucas Scott  
Erin Skinner  
Max Sobel  
Kara Watson  
John-Paul Webster  
Caitlin Whiting  
Carter Wilson  
Camryn Zaic

*The Second Quarter Honor Roll List will be presented in our next edition of Newscaster.*

# Port Dickinson Elementary

Dear Families,

We are in the time of the year where, during the winter months, we have sunshine on one day and below zero temperatures and snow the next. Inside our classrooms at PD Elementary, our students are engaged and excited to learn new concepts, skills and strategies to build terrific readers, writers, mathematicians and scientists. Learning is a process that takes time, effort, and a positive, energetic attitude.

Academically, we are continuing to develop our readers through instruction that is done in a whole group setting, followed by small groups (guided groups), and includes independent practice through "learning stations." For math, our students are focused on one-to-one correspondence, place value, math fluency (with number facts), and applying reading/writing skills to solve a multi-step problem. We are working to instill confidence and an "I can do it" attitude in all subject areas.

In our school, our students also benefit significantly from the collaborative support of our AIS teachers, special education teachers, occupational and physical therapists, as well as our speech/language department. Students are readily able to, with the support of our special area teachers (art, physical education, music and library), apply learning from the general education classroom to these specialized learning areas. Students also enjoy attending their STEAM class and have periodic opportunities to attend our "Tinker Lab." This lab is a place for students to work together to problem-solve and find creative solutions.

At PD, we have had some special events where students are engaged and enthusiastic. We have recently done a "Book Exchange," which gives kids an opportunity to read a new book. Our students (and faculty/staff) attend our "PD Morning Program." In this program, our students are learning KELSO's Choices, as well as how to treat others kindly. We incorporate social/emotional learning standards into our "Warrior STRONG" initiative.

The success of our school and students is directly correlated to the positive connections and communication we have between home and school. Attendance in school matters every day. The faculty/staff at Port Dickinson Elementary is dedicated to making every day academically challenging, positive and fun. Please enjoy some quality time with your families. Stay warm, but think spring!

Mary Beth Hammond  
Port Dickinson Elementary Principal



Mary Beth Hammond,  
principal, Port Dickinson  
Elementary

## 'Thunderstruck Thursdays' Promote Reading

As part of a PARP (Pick a Reading Partner) initiative called "Thunderstruck Thursdays," special guests visited PDE weekly to read stories, spread smiles and promote a love of expanding knowledge through books.



Miss Ann and Rowdy the Rumble  
Pony reading to students!

Thank you to the following individuals for reading to our Port Dickinson Elementary students:

- Rowdy from the Rumble Ponies
- Miss Ann from the Dance Connection
- Mrs. Korin Spencer from the Fenton Free Library
- Kelso the Frog (Mrs. Peg Peters, PD Social Worker)
- Dr. David P. Gill (CV Superintendent)
- Mrs. Michelle Feyerabend (CV Asst. Superintendent)
- Mrs. Mary Beth Hammond (PD Principal)
- SRO Patrick Sine (PD School Resource Officer)
- Mrs. April Huyck (PD Second Grade Teacher)
- Mr. Warren Walters (PD Kindergarten Teacher)
- Mrs. Tennille DeVincentiis (PD Kindergarten Teacher)
- Mrs. Beth Kresge (PD School Nurse)

## Fire Safety Assembly at PDE

Representatives from the Port Dickinson Fire Department visited students at Port Dickinson Elementary School on December 11 to review important information on fire safety and prevention.

During the presentation, PD Fire Chief Michael Scott encouraged students to have fire drills at home to establish a plan for what to do in case of an emergency. He reminded them to never hide in the event of a fire. Chief Scott also did a demonstration of the "stop, drop and roll" fire safety technique. Thank you to Chief Scott and the Port Dickinson Fire Department for this important and informative visit!



## Pre-K Family Day Includes Fun Winter Activities

The December Pre-K Family Day included fun activities such as gingerbread creations and New Year's countdowns!



# Port Dickinson Elementary

## Port Dickinson Elementary 'Morning Program Recognition'

These Port Dickinson Elementary students were recognized for actions of outstanding character and leadership in monthly "Student Recognition Day" Morning Programs! Way to go, Warriors! Keep being positive role models!



November



December



January

## District Attorney Visits Kindergarten Class

Thank you to Broome County District Attorney Steve Cornwell for visiting Port Dickinson Elementary on December 20 and reading to some of our kindergarten students in Mrs. Locke's classroom! Students also asked the DA questions about topics such as his favorite color and ice cream flavor.



## Reading Promise is in Full Swing at PDE

(Article/Photos Submitted By: Heather Wiggins & Ashley Lawrence)

Students are given the opportunity to go to the library during their playground time (once per six-day cycle) for "Promise Partner's Reading Place." During this time, students are able to pick a book to read, listen to books on Tumblebook Library, EPIC Books or read a magazine. So far, we have had a GREAT turn out and we look forward to the rest of the school year!



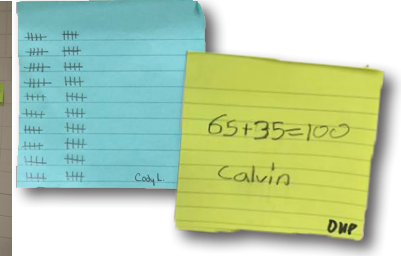
## Port Dickinson Holiday Sing-Along 2018

Port Dickinson Elementary's annual Holiday Sing-Along Morning Program included some festive songs, games and attire on December 19!



## Students Learn '100 Ways to Make 100'

Mrs. Lucas' second grade math students recently worked on "100 ways to make 100" as a fun and creative way to practice their math skills! Each student received a post-it note so that they could represent the number 100 in any way they wished. There were many great examples to display!



## Science Experiment Includes Delicious Treat

Mrs. Shelepak's class at PD Elementary recently took part in a fun lesson on different states of matter. Students made predictions and tested to see if a candy cane would change from a solid to a liquid in hot chocolate. After the experiment was complete, the class enjoyed the hot chocolate!



(Photo Provided By: Karen Shelepak)

# Chenango Bridge Elementary

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Schools are often asked how families can help support their children at home. There is a laundry list of ideas we can suggest, but the most important is to spend time with your child. It could be reading a book together, playing a board game like Monopoly or Life, or even baking cookies. Children of all ages love to spend time with their families and it doesn't have to be doing anything that extravagant, just laughing or being silly will do. We love to hear our students' weekend highlights and we look forward to listening to the exciting upcoming plans they have with their families.

Families often ask us "What can I do to help my child academically?" Our response to this question is to practice life skills with your child. Talk to your child about how to deal with conflict in a positive manner, have your child tell time, or purchase small items when you take them to the store and have him/her figure out the change that should be received. You can also read your child one of Aesop's fables or Grimm's fairy tales and chat about the lessons learned. In addition, you can sing songs and tell stories - our children are great storytellers with vivid imaginations! Simple activities like these will help your child develop positive relationships with his/her peers, as well as provide good foundational skills in literacy and mathematics.

Always remember, you are your children's first teachers and your help in providing basic skills is essential to their success. We appreciate the support of our CBE families and look forward to continuing to establish positive partnerships with all.

Lori Pourby,  
Chenango Bridge Elementary Interim Principal



Lori Pourby  
interim principal,  
Chenango Bridge  
Elementary

## Chenango Bridge Students Spread Holiday Cheer at Elizabeth Church Manor

As a way to give back to their community, Chenango Bridge Elementary students brought a special presentation filled with holiday cheer to residents of the Elizabeth Church Manor Campus. Chenango Bridge's fourth and fifth grade chorus members performed a mix of delightful songs at the senior living campus on December 14. There was also another treat presented. The Chenango Bridge Elementary Art Club created cardinal ornaments as a symbol of the presence of hope, joy and loved ones. Residents received these ornaments as gifts after the chorus students finished singing. The goal of this event was to integrate music and art, build school-community connections and put a smile on the faces of Elizabeth Church Manor residents.



## Students Take Part in 'Chenango Bridge Elementary Caldecott Awards'

Chrysanthemum, Mrs. Vesci's class gerbil in the Chenango Bridge Elementary art room, became a tale in the school and allowed a great learning opportunity for students.

With creative inspiration in mind, third grade art students designed cover art to depict a story about Chrysanthemum. Six students' covers were chosen for the "Chenango Bridge Elementary Caldecott Awards." Each student received a certificate and deluxe art set. Chenango Bridge Elementary art teacher Mrs. Vesci was delighted by all of the cover art created!



## CBE Holiday Sing-Along 2018

Chenango Bridge Elementary's annual Holiday Sing-Along was filled with cheer and fun activities on December 21!



# Chenango Bridge Elementary

## Students Have Fun in Volleyball Tournament

(Photo/Article Submitted By: Ted Hoffman)

Chenango Bridge fifth grade physical education classes participated in a modified version of Siedentop's Sport Education Model during a recent volleyball unit. In the unit, teams were selected and captains and trainers were elected to prepare their teams for a tournament during class time.

In the photo to the right you will find four teams from Mr. Amirian's and Mrs. Reardon's classes that designed and made team uniforms to be worn during the tournament. Teams also designed posters to put on display in the gym. A good time was had by all!



## Student Artwork Displayed at Lost Dog Café

(Photos Provided By: Carrie Vesci)

Mrs. Vesci's third grade art students at Chenango Bridge Elementary created awesome mixed media cactus artwork that was on display at the Lost Dog Café throughout the month of January. Lost Dog also invited students to enjoy a reception on January 4 as the pieces were officially revealed during the First Friday Art Walk. Wonderful job, Warrior artists!



## Chorus Sings at B-Devils Hockey Game

Led by Chenango Valley elementary music teacher Mr. Thomas Curry, Chenango Bridge Elementary fourth and fifth grade chorus members did a terrific job singing before the Binghamton Devils hockey game on February 1.



## Students Receive a Sweet Lesson on Agriculture

Third grade students at Chenango Bridge Elementary learned more about agriculture, with a lesson on the production of maple syrup.

On February 4, "Ag in the Classroom" program educators from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Broome County visited the elementary school. Ms. Atwood, Ms. Klecha and Mrs. Truesdail talked to students about how maple syrup is made. They showed students some of the tools used to tap saps from maple trees. They also discussed topics such as how modern technology has impacted production rates, how different grades of syrup are created and the ideal time of the year to produce maple syrup. Students were even able to try some maple syrup and maple cream!

The "Ag in the Classroom" program is made possible at Chenango Valley Central School District thanks to the help and collaboration of New York State Senator Fred Akshar, Broome-Tioga BOCES and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Broome County.



# Middle School

Rather than hibernating for the winter, CV Middle School has been alive with activity. The teachers and staff have been working very hard with your children to provide the best educational experience possible.

On December 21, the day before winter recess, CV Middle School held its 12th Annual Wellness Day. This was a day of non-traditional education that addressed the whole student; their character and overall wellness. It was important for our students to take a break from the daily academic rigor and to take some time to attend to the many areas needed to achieve holistic success. The keynote speaker was NYS Senator Fred Akshar. His message was about being Warrior STRONG: **S** - Self-Aware, **T** - Teamwork, **R** - Respectful, **O** - Open-minded, **N** - Nurturing, **G** - Goal-oriented. The students then attended workshops/sessions (see page 5 for a complete list). Thank you to Mrs. Hubenthal, Mrs. Samson, Mrs. Lally, Mrs. Riquier, and the entire middle school faculty and staff for making Wellness Day an overwhelming success for our middle school students.



Eric E. Attleson, principal  
CV Middle School

Looking ahead, our students, teachers and staff are looking forward to the Ninth Annual Middle School Cardboard Boat Races on Thursday, February 28. The boat line-up will start in the pool hallway at 4:30 p.m., with judging beginning at 4:45 p.m. Races will begin at 5:00 p.m. Following the races is STEAM Night, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the MS gym and cafeteria.

I look forward to seeing you at the Boat Races and STEAM Night. Please do not hesitate to contact me or the school if you have any questions.

Follow the MS on Twitter @CVMSWarriors. Look for us on Pinterest – CVMSWARRIORS – for MS educational topics and ideas.

## Upcoming Events in the Middle School:

- Monday, February 25 – Budget Workshop #1 - 6:00 p.m. - MS/HS Library
- Wednesday, February 27 – BOE Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - MS/HS Library
- Thursday, February 28 – Ninth Annual Cardboard Boat Races start @ 5:00 p.m. Boats line up @ 4:30 p.m. Judging begins @ 4:45 p.m.
- Thursday, February 28 – STEAM Night - 6:00 p.m. - MS Gym and MS Cafeteria
- Friday, March 1 – End of the 5-Week Marking Period
- Friday, March 1 through Sunday, March 3 – HS Musical – *The Addams Family*
- Friday, March 8 – Annual Chenango Valley Community Night – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – MS/HS Gyms
- Thursday, March 14 – No School – Conference Day
- Friday, March 15 – No School – March Recess
- Monday, March 18 – Modified Spring Sports Begin (7th/8th Grade)
- Tuesday, March 19 - Grades 4-12 District-Wide Choral Concert - 7:00 p.m. - MS/HS Auditorium
- Wednesday, March 27 - BOE Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - MS/HS Library

## Portable Planetarium Provides Lessons on Outer Space

Chenango Valley Middle School students received “out of this world” lessons on outer space with the help of a portable planetarium! Students learned about topics including solar and lunar eclipses, solstices and equinoxes.



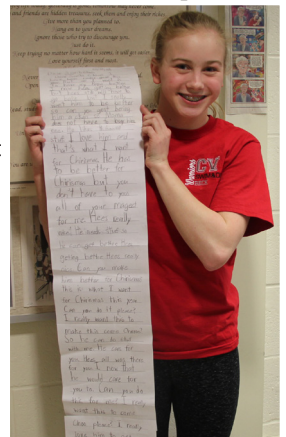
## Interactive Map Teaches about Solar System

Sixth grade students had a great time learning more about the solar system with Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Mika. Thanks to a National Geographic Giant Map loaned through BOCES, students were able to take part in interactive lessons and learn more about topics such as moons, orbits and astronomical unit measurements.



## Holiday Letter Brings a Pleasant Surprise

As part of a tradition, Mr. Krause's computer classes help Santa reply to his many letters during the holiday season, including some from Port Dickinson Elementary classes. When it came her time to help Santa, seventh grade student Jenna Beck was surprised to find a copy of the letter she wrote to Santa in second grade on display as an example of the letters previously written to Santa. Her multi-page and heartfelt letter asked Santa to help her grandfather who was sick. Jenna was delighted to discover her past letter. Jenna's parents said the discovery was a touching surprise for her grandfather as well.





# Middle School

## Student of the Month - Oct. 2018



Front row l-r: Merrell Rouff, Destiny Duckworth, Madelyn Strnatka, Brendan Kliment | Back row l-r: Kayleigh King, Sophie O'Brien, Tyler Norton, Michael Battisti, Alessandro Testani

### 6th Grade Team

Sophie O'Brien  
Brendan Kliment  
**Good Citizen:**  
Madelyn Strnatka

### 7th Grade Team

Destiny Duckworth  
Alessandro Testani  
**Good Citizen:**  
Kayleigh King

### 8th Grade Team

Michael Battisti  
Merrell Rouff  
**Good Citizen:**  
Tyler Norton

## Student of the Month - Nov. 2018



Front row l-r: Myron Wells, Vivian Bozuhoski, Tony Zheng, Elizabeth Eggleston | Back row l-r: Alexander Beppler, Michael Turna, Amanda Anderson, Molly Berg, Addisyn Johnston

### 6th Grade Team

Vivian Bozuhoski  
Tony Zheng  
**Good Citizen:**  
Alexander Beppler

### 7th Grade Team

Molly Berg  
Myron Wells  
**Good Citizen:**  
Addisyn Johnston

### 8th Grade Team

Elizabeth Eggleston  
Michael Turna  
**Good Citizen:**  
Amanda Anderson

## Student of the Month - Dec. 2018



Front row l-r: Avolyn Williams, Olivia Blaise, Kaida Warwick, Covany Skinner | Back row l-r: Tyler Schultz, Kolin Parks, Carly Edwards, Logan Lomonaco, Nolan Garnar

### 6th Grade Team

Kaida Warwick  
Nolan Garnar  
**Good Citizen:**  
Avolyn Williams

### 7th Grade Team

Tyler Schultz  
Covany Skinner  
**Good Citizen:**  
Olivia Blaise

### 8th Grade Team

Kolin Parks  
Logan Lomonaco  
**Good Citizen:**  
Carly Edwards

Our Students of the Month "CARE" about CV: **C-Commitment A-Attitude R-Responsibility E-Enthusiasm**

## Students Create Holiday Wish Letters

Mrs. White's English Language Arts students recently wrote holiday wishes. The letters included touching messages such as wishing for good health for their families, and for animals and people without homes to be able to find a place of shelter and safety.



## Students Take Part in 'Giving Charades'

Chenango Valley Middle School students had fun taking part in "Giving Charades" during a Warrior STRONG Meeting on December 7. Students worked in teams and as students simulated a kind act, others had one minute to guess what it could be. Charade activities included shoveling snow, sharing a pencil, waving hi to someone and more. At the end of the activity, students reviewed the actions they portrayed and brainstormed more kind acts that could be helpful to others.



## Math Club Members Participate in Mathalon

(Photo/Information Provided By: Stephanie Mika)

Two teams of students from the Chenango Valley Middle School Sixth Grade Math Club participated in the Broome County Mathalon at Vestal Middle School on December 1. The students were challenged with seven rounds of competition over the course of the day. They did a fantastic job competing against other area schools. The CVMS teams finished in 10th and 12th place. Awesome job!

Participants: Holden David, Natalia Dithrich, Nolan Garnar, Austin Greenmun, Tantawat Jampar, Michael Kaufman, Christian Polkowski, Tywala Stafford, Kaida Warwick, Avolyn Williams



# High School

It's hard to believe we are already into the second half of the school year! Graduation will be right around the corner - just a reminder that it's Friday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Please note that school is not in session for a Conference Day on Thursday, March 14 and for March Recess on Friday, March 15. Spring Recess will take place from Monday, April 15 through Monday, April 22 - with school back in session on Tuesday, April 23.

As we approach the second half of the school year, I'd also like to remind everyone of our 3:00 -5:30 p.m. remediation time. We have 3:00 - 5:30 school every Monday-Thursday (when school is in session) and any student is welcome to attend. We have a special education teacher and a content area teacher each day that are available to help students catch up on work, review for assessments, or review concepts taught in class. If you would like your child to attend our 3:00 - 5:30 school, feel free to reach out to our guidance department.



Jennifer Ostrander  
principal, CV High  
School

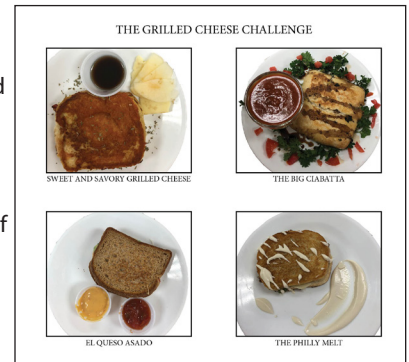
## Students Enjoy Junior Dinner Dance

Chenango Valley High School's Junior Dinner Dance was held at the Holiday Inn Binghamton on January 26! Thank you to all who helped to make this a special event for the Class of 2020!



## Class Takes on 'Grilled Cheese Challenge'

On December 6, students in Mrs. Chavez's Gourmet Foods class took on a "Grilled Cheese Challenge" for some fun, friendly and delicious competition. Beforehand, students researched topics such as flavors and textures of different types of cheeses. With this acquired knowledge, students worked in four groups to create a sandwich to be deemed the winner. Thank you to Ms. Kisloski, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cass and Mrs. Schaffer for volunteering to be judges for the competition! Since all of the sandwiches were so scrumptious, it was a tough and close decision. In the end, the "Sweet & Savory Grilled Cheese" was declared the winner. Awesome job to all!



## CVHS Students Participate in Wreaths Across America Day

(Photos Provided By: Karl Krause & Paul Marinaro)

On December 15, members of Chenango Valley High School's Business Club were among community members, veterans, local politicians and representatives from local businesses who helped to place wreaths on the graves of U.S. veterans laid to rest in the Chenango Valley Cemetery. The event was part of a nationwide Wreaths Across America Day movement to honor those who have served our country.



## High School Yearbook News

The deadline for ordering and being guaranteed a 2019 copy of the Chenango Valley High School Yearbook is March 29. Orders can be placed directly online by visiting [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com) and using the school code 12854519.

### CLASS OF 2020 SENIOR PICTURES

The Board of Education has adopted a series of guidelines for senior pictures. Starting with the Class of 2020, all senior pictures must adhere to the following specifications in order to be included in the CV High School Yearbook.

- Upper Body Pictures Only (Chest, shoulder and head)
- Color Splash Background (No outdoor or scenic pictures will be accepted)
- High-Resolution Quality (250 resolution minimum jpeg)

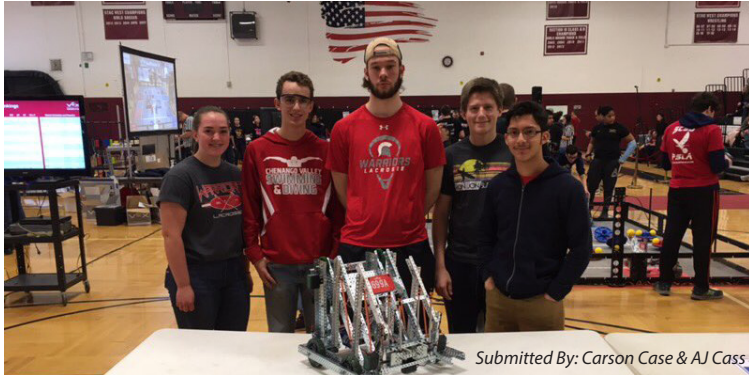
In order to help facilitate this change, we will be holding three special picture days during Regents week in June for students in the Class of 2020. Photo sessions will be held at the high school auditorium. Please watch for a special letter from Lifetouch/Prestige in the coming months with more details.

It's important to note that Lifetouch is our contracted photo provider and there is no cost to have your picture taken with them. They will offer students/families the opportunity to purchase packages, graduation cards, announcements, etc., but the yearbook picture is free. If you choose to utilize another service, please make sure the photographers are aware of the specifications above.

# High School

## STEAM Club Takes Part in Vex Competition

Awesome job to the Chenango Valley STEAM Club members who participated in the Vex Competition in Elmira! In the high school's second year competing, the group made it to the finals!



Submitted By: Carson Case & AJ Cass

## Projects Explore Biodegradation of Plastics

Mrs. Ginalski's Fast Forward Chemistry students recently researched the best ways to break down biodegradable plastics. Students tested how variables such as heat, compost and yeast solutions could impact biodegradation. They presented their findings in a gallery walk on January 17.



## Senator Akshar Visits Participation in Government Class

New York State Senator Fred Akshar visited Dr. Hemzik's Participation in Government class at Chenango Valley High School on December 5. Chenango Valley High School senior Eric Brom invited Senator Akshar to speak with the class. During his visit, Senator Akshar talked with students and answered thought-provoking questions about a variety of topics. As the class wrapped up, students also presented the Senator with letters they had written on various political matters. Thank you for visiting, Senator Akshar!



## CV Alum Visits Science Classes

Chenango Valley alum Alexia Lamb visited Mrs. Ginalski and Mr. Reed's College Chemistry and Biology students on December 21 to moderate a discussion and simulation on climate change. The simulation included interactive review of a range of topics to help students see connections, go through scenarios and explore resolutions. Alexia earned her BS in chemistry and is currently doing graduate work on environmental science and policy at SUNY Potsdam.



## K-9, Officer Visit CVHS Health Classes

CV High School health classes received a special visit from Binghamton Police Officer Kevin Brown and Lilo the K-9 on December 11. Officer Brown discussed the dangers of narcotic drug use with students in Mrs. Chavez, Mr. Klein and Mr. Clark's classes. He also talked with students about some of the duties that both officers and K-9s serve in law enforcement.



## Veteran Speaks with CVHS Band Students

Former Marine Eric Fetterman, father of CV students Logan and Paige Fetterman, visited CVHS on November 26 to speak in Mr. Hammill's band room. As band students prepared to perform an Armed Forces Salute to honor veterans and active duty personnel at their winter concert, Mr. Fetterman discussed his experience serving during Operation Desert Storm. The students also played a demonstration of their tribute piece for Mr. Fetterman.



## Students Enjoy Field Trip to CoreLife

(Photo Provided By: Lisa Chavez)

On January 18, Chenango Valley High School health students went on a field trip to CoreLife Eatery in Vestal. Students learned about nutrition, fitness and wellness from Positive LifeForce. They also enjoyed some lunch!





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