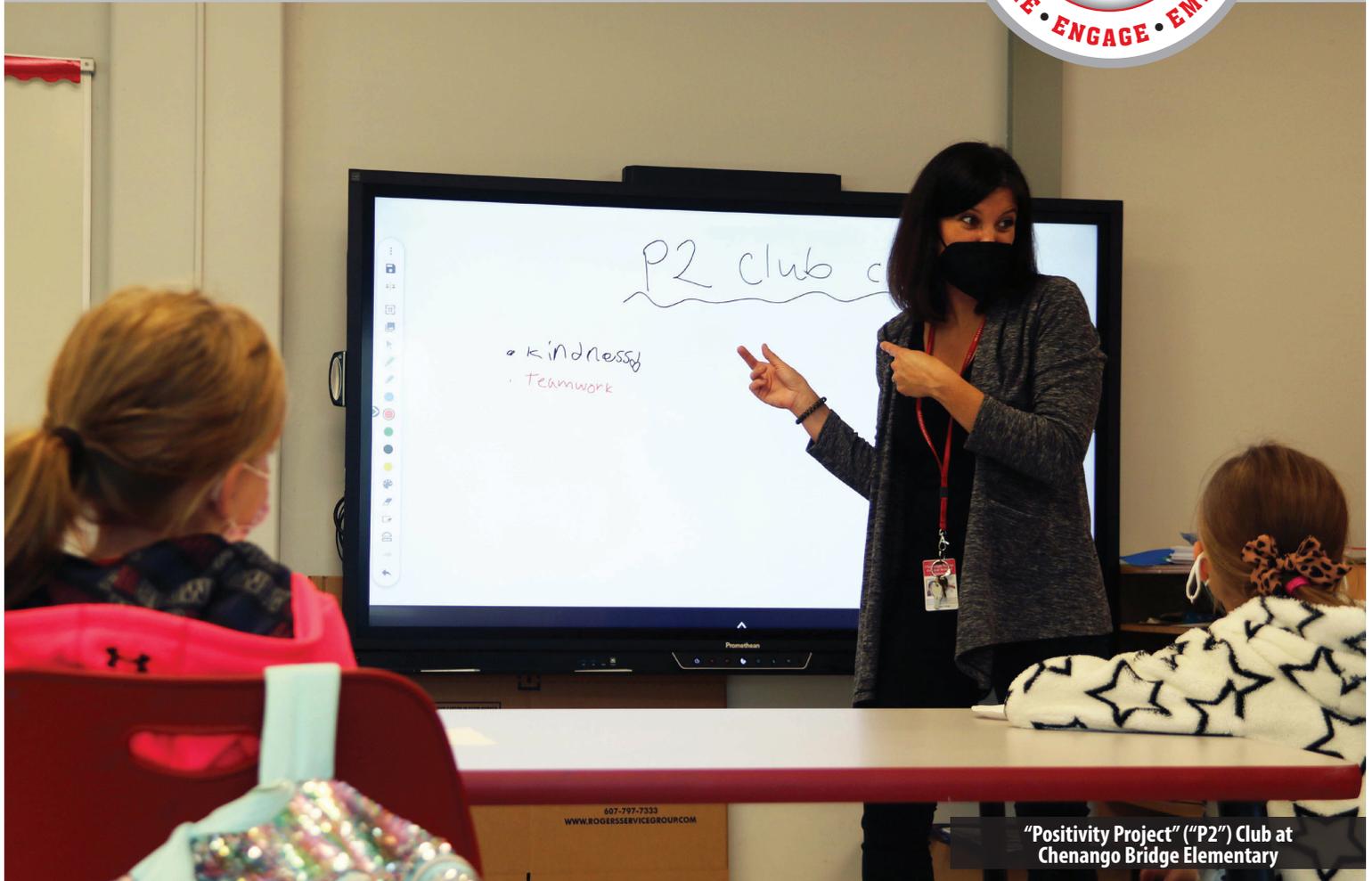


# Newscafter

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"Positivity Project" ("P2") Club at Chenango Bridge Elementary

## Important Winter Weather Closing/Delay/Early Dismissal Information

Please take a moment to review Chenango Valley Central School District's winter weather closing, delay, and early dismissal procedures to help ensure the safety of our students, faculty, and staff. Careful regard for safety is made when considering snow, ice, and other weather-related delays or closings. Contact is made with local town highway departments, input from the National Weather Service is considered, and discussions are held with our transportation department and other area school districts.



### Notifications

The district will notify parents/guardians about these occurrences through the following channels:

- Notifications for delays, closings, and early dismissals are shared with local media, shared through our automated calling system (these voice messages are sent to the phone numbers of students' primary contacts), and sent via our opt-in emergency alert system\* (which includes an email and/or text message alert notification). \*Please make sure that you are signed up for our opt-in text/email emergency alert notifications and that your information is updated: Visit [www.cvcasd.stier.org/PortalLogin.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/PortalLogin.aspx) for details.
- Notifications are also posted on our website ([www.cvcasd.stier.org](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org)) and mobile app.

A **school closing** means that schools are closed for that calendar day.

When school is closed due to inclement weather, there will not be extracurricular activities such as meetings, practices, and contests.

With a **one- or two-hour delay schedule**, your child's school day will begin one or two hours after the regular start time. Dismissal times will remain the same.

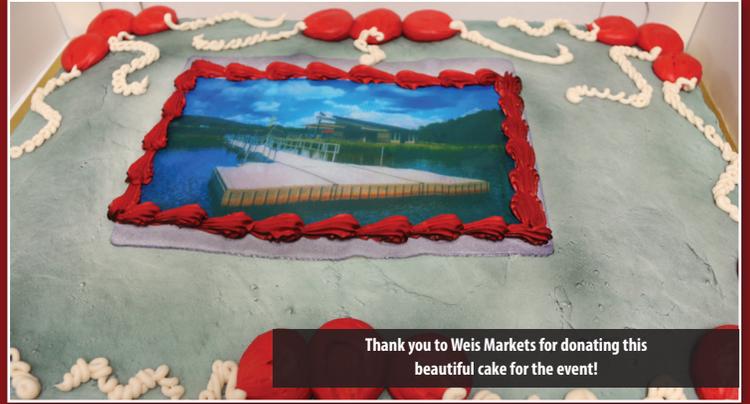
In the event that a **three-hour delay schedule** is utilized, your child's school day will start three hours after the usual start time with dismissal times staying the same. A three-hour delay schedule would be utilized only if weather conditions forecasted indicated a significant improvement that would allow road crews the time needed to make our roadways safe for travel. In addition, a three-hour delay may assist us in preventing changes to planned vacation days already on our school calendar.

If there is an **early dismissal** due to potentially dangerous weather conditions, all extracurricular activities will be canceled. Please make sure that you have a plan in place for situations where your child may be released early.

## Chenango Valley Celebrates Outdoor Learning Center

Chenango Valley celebrated the district's Outdoor Learning Center with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on October 27. The Outdoor Learning Center was part of the district's most recent capital improvement project that was approved by district voters in December 2017. While the Outdoor Learning Center construction was completed in February 2020, an official opening ceremony was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Outdoor Learning Center is intended for use by students and staff districtwide. The space provides vast learning opportunities for areas including, but not limited to, STEAM and physical education. See more information on our district website: [www.cvcsd.stier.org](http://www.cvcsd.stier.org)



## Humanities Night 2021

Chenango Valley's Humanities Night provided elementary students and their families the opportunity to take part in fun activities focused on literacy, social studies, art, and music. Stations were designed to give students an exciting environment to explore these areas. Thank you to all of the Chenango Valley faculty, staff, and administrators who helped to make this event possible! Check out more fun photos on the CV website!



## Warrior Community Connections

The Chenango Valley Central School District understands the importance of professional development and family engagement to help our Warriors succeed. The district plans to share opportunities for staff, families, and community members to participate in informative district presentations and/or family engagement events on a monthly basis. More information will be provided closer to each event.



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### FUNCTIONS OF BEHAVIOR

We must recognize that...

1. All behavior is communication.
2. In order to understand a child's behavior, we need to consider ABC: ABC = Antecedent, Behavior, Consequence
3. You can't teach a child anything until he is in a ready state for learning.

10/26/21 Presentation: "Behavior is Communication: What Your Child is Telling You and Ways to Reduce Sensory Meltdowns"

Visit [www.cvcsd.stier.org/warriorcommunityconnections.aspx](http://www.cvcsd.stier.org/warriorcommunityconnections.aspx) to learn more details and to watch informative district presentations.

## CV Receives '2021 School Safety Excellence Award'

The Chenango Valley Central School District recently received the Utica National Insurance Group's "2021 School Safety Excellence Award." This award is presented annually and recognizes school districts for continued efforts in working to help keep their school environment safe. Chenango Valley has received this award for more than a dozen consecutive years. A \$500 check for use in furthering safety efforts was also presented to the district as part of the award.



## Joint Message Regarding Proposed Capital Improvements Project

Dear Chenango Valley Community,

We are excited for the possibility of our next capital project. Through your continued support, we have premier educational facilities for our region. The timing of our recent capital improvement projects, along with this one, would allow us to not have any additional increase to the tax levy. In our next proposed project, we are focusing on our middle and high school, as it has been over 20 years since major upgrades to this facility. We plan to focus on renovating the classrooms, as well as much needed updates to our parking areas. As you know from our previous project, we installed a multipurpose field. With the successful approval of this new capital project, we would be able to add lighting to the field. This would extend the daily use of the area for both students and our school community. We also plan to focus on other costly improvements throughout the district. With the state aid we receive back on capital projects, we can do extensive, costly work without adding to your taxes.



Dr. David P. Gill  
Superintendent



Judy Mitrowitz, President  
Board of Education

District residents should have received a special newsletter regarding the capital project in November. If you have not, please visit our website ([www.cvcasd.stier.org/capitalproject.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/capitalproject.aspx)) or reach out to the district office. We will make sure you have the information you need to make an informed decision. Also, a recording of our capital project public meeting that was held in September is posted on our district website. This explains the project in further detail.

Thank you for your continued support to help us create inspiring and engaging spaces for our students.

Sincerely,

Dr. David P. Gill  
Superintendent of Schools

Judy Mitrowitz  
Board of Education President

### CAPITAL PROJECT PUBLIC VOTE

Monday, December 13, 2021 | 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. | CV Middle/High School Auditorium (221 Chenango Bridge Road)

More Information: [www.cvcasd.stier.org/capitalproject.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/capitalproject.aspx)

## Message to the CV Community from Superintendent Dr. David P. Gill

Dear Chenango Valley Community,

Happy holiday season! It's hard to believe that we are already approaching the end of 2021. As we prepare for the end of one year and the beginning of a new year, it is always a good time to reflect. We focus on the things that have gone right and the things we hope to improve on. I continue to be proud of Chenango Valley and the work and commitment we all have made as a school community to ensure the best environment for our children.

Our accomplishments wouldn't be possible without our faculty, staff, administrators, board members, community members, families, and students. I sincerely thank our faculty and staff for their continued efforts to support the academic success of our Warriors. Their hard work certainly does not go unnoticed. Our athletic programs, extracurricular activities, and family engagement-focused presentations/events are just a few examples of opportunities that foster student growth and achievement.

In addition, I want to give a huge thank you to our Chenango Valley Board of Education for its services to support our district. In honor of the New York State School Board Association's "School Board Recognition Week" that is held each October, our BOE was presented with a special token of appreciation during the October board meeting. You can see more about this celebration on page 6 of this *Newscenter*.

I would like to, once again, acknowledge our continued challenges with school bus driver shortages. I know this national issue impacts not only student learning, but also working families. I thank you for your ongoing patience and understanding as we continue to work to mitigate this matter. It is hard to put into words the amount of gratitude I have for our dedicated transportation team that works vigilantly to transport our students safely to and from school. As our bus drivers can tell you, this is not an easy job but it is certainly a rewarding one. If you or anyone you know may be interested in joining our transportation team, please reach out to CV Transportation Supervisor Mrs. Sue Ticknor at [STicknor@cvcasd.stier.org](mailto:STicknor@cvcasd.stier.org) or (607) 762-6850.

Finally, as you take a moment to reflect on this year, I hope you are able to recall moments that bring you a sense of joy and happiness. I wish you a peaceful winter and happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Dr. David P. Gill  
Superintendent of Schools

# Principal Messages

## Port Dickinson Elementary (Grades: Pre-K - 2)

The first quarter of our school year is now finished and time really did go by quickly. The students in grades pre-K - 2 have adjusted well to school. The faculty/staff at Port Dickinson Elementary continue to provide a positive educational experience every day. Thank you to our awesome families who play an integral role in our students' successes.

Our students are learning through the Units of Study for Reading and Writing. Our school uses the workshop model for reading, writing, and math. Students work with our teachers and their peers through interactive stations and guided groups. We are also working to develop stamina for independent reading. Attendance at school is directly correlated to academic success. Children learn best when they are in school (except for sicknesses), as learning is built day-to-day. We ask our families to work with us at Port Dickinson to have great school habits.

At Port Dickinson, we are very proud to share some wonderful building highlights:

- The Chenango Valley Elementary PTA is active in our schools. Please consider joining our team to help support our students.
- Family-Teacher Conferences recently took place. These are always a positive way to keep the home/school connection alive and well.
- The "Positivity Project" ("P2") is an integral part of what we do every day. This year's theme is #PositivityinAction. Each week, our students are engaged in dialogue, stories, and videos made by our faculty to share the importance of each character trait. As a school, classroom by classroom, we are sharing how the trait can be put into action. This inspiration is posted outside each classroom door weekly.
- Our school sponsored a Thanksgiving Food Drive in the month of November. Each grade level had specific items to bring in, so that Thanksgiving baskets could be made for families. Special thanks to everyone for their contributions.

Our winter break begins on Thursday, December 23, and extends through Friday, December 31, 2021. We will return to school on Monday, January 3, 2022. We wish all of our students, families, and school community a fun-filled, happy holiday season. Together, we will continue to make a difference in the lives of our students at Port Dickinson Elementary. Thank you for all of your support! Happy holidays!



Mary Beth Hammond,  
Principal, Port Dickinson  
Elementary

## Chenango Bridge Elementary (Grades: 3-5)

Happy December to all our Chenango Bridge Families and Students!

Chenango Bridge Elementary School is continuously providing the highest level of education possible to each and every student. Our goal is to provide everyone with a strong foundation for growth and success. As we "turn the page" to our next month of school, our intertwined system of support for every student, staff member, family, and community partner is evident from the moment you enter our beautiful campus. Every person within a student's life is a part of their education; we must work together to foster our students' skills and inspire them to achieve goals they did not know were possible.

The first few months of school have been full of successful safety drills, our CB Picture Day, the PTA Book Fair, STEAM at our beautiful Outdoor Learning Center, swimming at the MS/HS pool, community partner visits (both virtual and in person), teacher professional development, and student growth serving as our #1 priority every single day.

Chenango Bridge staff, families, and students are working hard to establish skills in math, reading, writing, science, social studies, art, music, physical education, library, and social-emotional learning. It is critical that we work together to promote the highest level of success. Here are some strategies that we can all use to advance our students beyond expectations:

- Reading books every day that are at our reader's level and "stretch" their skills to enhance growth.
- Regular mathematical conversations with students ("How did you get the answer?") in both real life and school work.
- Practice positive responses to difficult situations - *disagreement, frustration, anger, etc.*
- Sing, dance, play a sport, practice an instrument, investigate a mystery, and research an author.
- Always support a positive perspective in all subjects. Every student is capable of greatness and growth in every academic area!

Enrichment opportunities are growing at CB!

- Chenango Bridge Clubs are in full operation. We will communicate even more opportunities for clubs as we progress through the school year!
  - CB Clubs: *Science, Book, Math, Art, Talent Show, Chess, Mentoring, P2, Reading Promise, and Yearbook*
- Fourth and fifth grade chorus and fifth grade band rehearsals are in full swing.
- Our swim/STEAM program at the MS/HS campus progressed through the month of November.

I continue to be inspired by the work happening at our beautiful school! Thank you for all of your support, collaboration, positivity, and, most importantly, your commitment to the success of every Chenango Bridge student! As always, I am here if you have any questions, concerns, or would just like to talk: [tcurry@cvcsd.stier.org](mailto:tcurry@cvcsd.stier.org) or (607) 762-6950.



Tom Curry,  
Principal, Chenango Bridge  
Elementary

# Principal Messages

## Chenango Valley Middle School (Grades: 6-8)

The first ten weeks of school went by very quickly. We had a fantastic start to the school year. You should be very proud of your child for the efforts they have put forth this school year. Keep up the good work!

The Chenango Valley cross-country program hosted its first annual "Warrior Obstacle Run" on Thursday, October 28. Open to fifth through eighth grade students, there were over 80 participants. The course was a mile-long with 12 obstacles including The Gauntlet, The Wall, The Cow Trail Mud Crawl, and ending with a Polar Plunge. To say it was a muddy time is an understatement! This event was made possible by our sponsors: *Gearcor, Northgate Vacuum, Wilson Ceramics, The Scott Family, and The Thetford Family as well as our volunteers, coaches, and team who ran the event.* The cross-country team would like to thank the community and participants for making this a success!

Students should have already developed good school routines by this point in the year. It is very important that students get into a routine by going to bed and getting up at the same time each day. All their school materials should be ready the night before so it will not be hectic when they are trying to get out the door. Please encourage your child to use the student agenda that they received at the beginning of the school year on a daily basis. Teachers always post the night's homework and the daily activity on one of the whiteboards in the classroom. Students should be writing down homework assignments as well as project due dates. Please check your child's agenda periodically and remind them to get into the habit of using this important school resource. Please remind them to take the time and effort to keep their lockers clean and organized.

School attendance is extremely important for all learners. The expectation is that students must attend all scheduled classes. Regular daily attendance is the biggest indicator of educational success. If you are having issues getting your child engaged in school, please feel free to reach out to me or our CV Guidance Office for assistance.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions or concerns. Follow CV Middle School on Twitter: @CVMSWarriors. Look for us on Pinterest (CVMSWARRIORS) for educational topics and ideas.

### Upcoming Middle School Events:

- Tuesday, December 7 - MS Winter Concert - 7:00 p.m. - HS Gymnasium
- Wednesday, December 15 - BOE Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Warrior Conference Rooms/Zoom
- Friday, December 17 - End of 5-Week Marking Period
- Thursday, December 23 - Friday, December 31 - No School: *Winter Recess*



Eric E. Attleson,  
Principal, CV Middle School

## Chenango Valley High School (Grades: 9-12)

The fall has been a busy time for Chenango Valley High School! We had our Senior National Honor Society Induction Ceremony on October 21. More than 35 juniors and seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society that evening. Congratulations to those students! We have also worked with the middle school to collect food for our Thanksgiving Food Drive. Many homerooms competed to see who could bring in the most food to help fill our food pantry, which helps families right here in our community.

Congratulations to our fall sports teams on a successful season. They all played hard and, even more importantly, showed good character on and off the field. I'm very proud of our student-athletes!

As the weather starts to turn, this is a reminder to please take your time and drive slowly through our parking lots and drop-off points. Please also take care when walking to and from school. Our custodial and maintenance staff members work very hard to remove snow and ice to make it safe for students, staff, and families, but please take your time and be patient as people navigate through the parking lots and entrance areas. Thank you for your help with this!

Lastly, a reminder about the importance of daily attendance. If your child is on quarantine, they can Zoom into their classes to receive their daily instruction and make up work on Schoology.



Jennifer Ostrander  
Principal, CV High School

**Update:** Senior Prom has been moved to Friday, June 17. Additional information will be communicated with students and families.

### Title IX Coordinators

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**SEE ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION: [WWW.CVCSD.STIER.ORG](http://WWW.CVCSD.STIER.ORG)**

## CV Alumni Honorees Recognized

Four Chenango Valley graduates and one distinguished community member who have each made a positive impact on the Chenango Valley community and at large were recognized as the 2021 Chenango Valley Alumni Recognition honorees on October 22.

Chenango Valley was proud to recognize these honorees for their noteworthy accomplishments. During the day, a luncheon was held at CV High School. There, honorees/representatives were able to meet their senior tour guide. Thank you to Isabelle Dithrich, Forrest Dorn, Joshua Miller, Tara Pitcher, and Saniah Reeves for helping to accommodate our guests! In addition, the honorees/representatives were each able to sit with Superintendent Dr. David P. Gill and individually answer a few questions via a Zoom livestream that was shared districtwide. Questions included what the honorees enjoyed about their time at Chenango Valley and advice for current students. There was also an opportunity for honorees to walk the halls of their former school building and visit a classroom.

Afterwards, the honorees were recognized at an evening reception hosted by the Chenango Valley Alumni Association. The event was held at the Holiday Inn Binghamton Downtown. The senior tour guides introduced their honoree before each gave a speech and received an award. A special thank you also goes to Ms. Crocker and the senior tour guides who represented the CV Select Choir and sang exceptional musical pieces for guests of the event. Proceeds from the CV Alumni Association event will help to aid both CV's Warrior Fund (to assist students and families facing financial hardships) and future scholarship opportunities for CV students.



See more information on these honorees:  
[www.cvcasd.stier.org/2021Honorees.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/2021Honorees.aspx)



Joan Mitrowitz Tymeson - Class of 1965



Rick Gehr - Class of 1968



Nancy Paterson - Class of 1971 (In Memoriam)  
 Represented by her sister, Sally Reutlinger.



Dr. Megan Conklin Pecha - Class of 1999



Robert McDaniel (In Memoriam)  
 Represented by his son, Jim McDaniel.



Thank you to all who made this wonderful event possible!  
 To learn more about the CV Alumni Association and how you can become a member, visit: [www.cvcasd.stier.org/alumnihome.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/alumnihome.aspx)

## Chenango Valley Recognizes Board of Education

To help show appreciation for the continuous hard work of the Chenango Valley Board of Education, CV students and Mrs. Vesci presented board members with a special treat at the October 27 board meeting. The New York State School Board Association sponsored its "School Board Recognition Week" from October 18-22. This provided a great opportunity to honor our board members at this month's meeting. To prepare, Mrs. Vesci wrote a poem about the CV Board of Education. A group of students each recited a verse of the poem in front of the school board.

After reciting the poem, the students presented each board member with a framed copy, a bag of candy, and a \$25 gift certificate to Craft in Binghamton. Thank you to Mr. Tuttle, who is the owner of this dining establishment and graciously offered the Craft donation. We are so grateful for the Chenango Valley Board of Education's ongoing efforts to support our students and Warrior community! We appreciate all that you do!

Being a member of a caring, hardworking, selfless, group of volunteers committed to educational excellence

Open to exploring new educational methods

Always ready to listen to students, teachers, and community members

Reopening Chenango Valley safety every September

Dedicated to providing a high quality education for all students

Organizing all district operations

Fine tuning every detail of the budget

Ensuring that Chenango Valley is financially sound

Driven to make sure every Warrior succeeds

Upholding our mission statement to INSPIRE, ENGAGE, and EMPOWER

Celebrating retirees, new tenures, and new hires

Approving and adopting our annual school budget

Taking time away from family and friends to serve the community

Improving and beautifying the Chenango Valley campus

Overseeing every department to provide the best educational experience

Never giving up, always looking forward, dedicated to upholding high standards



Photos Provided

## Thank You, CV Community Partners!

Chenango Valley is grateful for our community partners that help to strengthen our educational opportunities, resources for our students and families, and sense of Warrior Pride. Recent community partnerships are listed throughout this *Newscaster* and on our district website ([www.cvcasd.stier.org](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org)). We are grateful to each for their support of our students, staff, and families.

If you are interested in working with our school district in the future, please reach out to our district office at (607) 762-6800. You can also visit [www.cvcasd.stier.org/community.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/community.aspx) for more examples of community partnerships and information on how you can get involved.



St. Louise Manor shared this wonderful photo of one of their residents, Isabella F. She wanted to say "Thank You" to PD Elementary students for making Halloween cards for the assisted living facility. Isabella, who recently turned 103 years old, said the card she received, "Made my day."

Thank you to all students, staff, and community members who donated time and resources to help make CV's 2021 Thanksgiving Food Drive possible. This year's food drive helped to serve 83 families. Thank you to Weis Markets on Upper Front Street for the generous donation of 25 gift cards, valued at \$25 each, to help support the program. We are also grateful for the anonymous community donations, classroom food collections districtwide, and gift cards purchased through the Warrior Fund. Students certainly helped to make this program a success, including those who gladly volunteered to load boxes. The High School Student Council made donations as well and Interact Club members helped to collect food and work in the pantry. The efforts of all involved are a true display of our caring Warrior Community.



As part of a new reading unit, Ms. VanLuvender's first grade class recently received a "top secret" assignment to become Word Detectives. The assignment was delivered by Ms. VanLuvender's sister, NYS Trooper Elizabeth Stever.



PD Elementary's November safety theme of the month was "Dental Health." Thank you to students from Binghamton University's Pre-Dental Association for visiting first grade classes to discuss good dental health practices on November 17!



Thank you to students from Binghamton University's Emerging Leaders Program for visiting Port Dickinson Elementary School on November 16. The group spoke with second grade students about ways to help protect the environment.



Fourth grade classes recently engaged in a Zoom presentation with Cherese Wiesner-Rosales, the director of the Vestal Museum. Topics discussed included the history of the name Haudenosaunee and the government structure.

## Local Fire Departments Teach Elementary Students about Fire Safety and Prevention

Thank you to our friends from the Port Dickinson Fire Department for teaching PD Elementary students about fire prevention and safety in October! Students also enjoyed learning about "The Warrior," one of the station's pumper-tanker vehicles. In addition, Chenango Bridge Elementary learned about fire safety thanks to the Chenango Bridge Fire Company. Thank you to Mrs. Hamilton, a CB Elementary teacher aide and volunteer firefighter with the Chenango Bridge Fire Company, for taking time to teach students about important topics such as having a family fire safety plan and making sure home smoke detectors work.



Fire Safety at PDE



Fire Safety at CBE

## CV Students Take on 'Engineering Day' Competitions

The clock is ticking, you've been given a box of miscellaneous items, and your team must work together to create a contraption that performs a chain reaction with a specific end goal. This is what Chenango Valley students experienced as they competed in "Engineering Day" events at Broome-Tioga BOCES from November 8-10.

Students in grades 3-12 put their skills to the test as they created Rube Goldberg-style machines. In essence, a Rube Goldberg machine creates a chain reaction to perform a simple task in a complicated manner. Three Chenango Valley High School teams competed on November 8, three Chenango Valley Middle School teams competed on November 9, and three Chenango Bridge Elementary teams competed on November 10. **Congratulations to the Chenango Valley High School team of Kate Hope, Aaron Salisbury, Donavon Tomm, and Madeline Trisket who placed third in their respective competition!**

Innovation, creativity, and, of course, teamwork were key components of this fun competition. Chenango Valley students had a wonderful time participating!



## CV National Honor Society Inducts Newest Members

Congratulations to Chenango Valley's newest National Honor Society inductees! A total of 42 students from the Class of 2022 and Class of 2023 became members of the Chenango Valley chapter of the National Honor Society on October 21.



Among qualifications to receive this honor, students must show an exemplary demonstration of the four pillars of the National Honor Society: *Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service.*

**Class of 2022 Inductees:** Sarah Bush, Emma Farr-Giblin

**Class of 2023 Inductees:** Ayla Ambrose, Garrett Andersen, Lucas Baier, Marley Baldwin, Michael Battisti, Jady Bobzien, Lejla Cehic, Joshua Coddington, Chad Cole, Joshua Conrow, Sadie Dutcher, Elizabeth Eggleston, Jessica Gates, Luke Gillette, Savannah Greenmun, Lauren Hart, Cameron Hirst, Kate Hope, Tyler Hopkins, Jeter King, Carter Klein, Gavin Laskowsky, Marin Lesch, Logan Lomonaco, Aubrey Marroquin, Tessa McEnaney, Devin Miller, Lucas Morgan, Tyler Norton, Joshua Packer, Kolin Parks, Jonah Rice, Declan Rouff, Merrell Rouff, Olivia Santa Croce, Jenna Schaefer, Madeline Trisket, Kaylee Watson, Khammaneh Weather, Nadia Wojcik

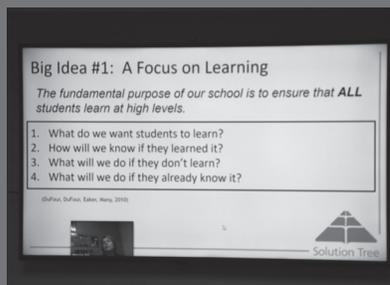
## CV Students Participate in 'College Day'

CV juniors and seniors were able to take part in "College Day" at the Visions Memorial Arena in Binghamton. This event provides students with the chance to learn more about college and career options. Students were able to speak directly with representatives from community colleges, state colleges, private colleges, Ivy League schools, military services, and trade schools. Thank you to all who made this event possible!



## Superintendent's Day Explores PLC Work

As part of professional development and growth for Superintendent's Day, Chenango Valley was grateful to have Barb Phillips working with educators on PLC (Professional Learning Community) work. The three key ideas of PLCs are "A Focus on Learning," "A Collaborative Culture," and "A Focus on Results."



### PLC Key Ideas

- A Focus on Learning
- A Collaborative Culture
- A Focus on Results



# Fall 2021 Athletic Highlights

Congratulations to all of our Warrior teams on a wonderful fall 2021 sports season! Below are some of the highlights from the season! Visit [www.cvcsd.stier.org/athletics.aspx](http://www.cvcsd.stier.org/athletics.aspx) for more highlights and up-to-date information.

**ALL CHENANGO VALLEY VARSITY FALL SPORTS TEAMS QUALIFIED AS NYSPHSAA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE TEAMS! FOR THIS RECOGNITION, THE TEAM'S AVERAGE GPA FOR 75% OF THE ROSTER MUST BE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 90. WAY TO GO, WARRIORS!**



Congratulations to the Chenango Valley varsity girls soccer team; Section IV Class B Champions! The team was also the STAC Central Division Champion!



Congratulations to the Chenango Valley varsity boys soccer team on being the STAC Central Division Champion!



Congratulations to the Chenango Valley varsity cheer team for placing second in Class D for the STAC Championships and third at the 2021 NYSPHSAA Game Day Cheerleading West Invitational!



Congrats to sophomore Adelie Wilson, who was a varsity girls tennis Section IV Class C Singles Champion and state qualifier!



The Varsity Girls Swim team placed second overall at the Sectional Championships and were STAC Central Division Champions!

### SECTION IV CHAMPIONS

- 200 Medley Relay: Jenna Beck, Sidney Beers, Mikayla Buccì & Lindsey Rice
  - 50 Freestyle: Sidney Beers
  - 100 Breaststroke: Lindsey Rice
  - 400 Free Relay: Jenna Beck, Sidney Beers, Tessa McEnaney & Lindsey Rice
- STATE QUALIFIERS**
- Jenna Beck, Sidney Beers, Mikayla Buccì, Tessa McEnaney & Lindsey Rice



The CV varsity cross-country team ran their Central Crossover meet in Owego as Mr. Wilson's selection for the Coaches vs. Cancer cause. The team raised \$540 for the American Cancer Society.



Thank you to all who made the Cross-Country "Warrior Run" obstacle course a fun experience! See more about the event in Mr. Attleson's message on page 5.

*Fall 2021 All-Stars will be featured in the next Newscaster!*

## CV High School Seniors Sign National Letters of Intent



Chloe Osteen

Congratulations to Chloe Osteen on signing a National Letter of Intent to participate in the women's softball program for Mansfield University!



Alex Jacobs

Congratulations to Alex Jacobs on signing a National Letter of Intent to participate in the men's lacrosse program for Mercyhurst University!

Chenango Valley wishes you both the best of luck in all future endeavors!

# SP🎃🎃KTACULAR EDUCATIONAL FUN!



From a "witch's cauldron" to "ghost eggs," Mrs. Clark's sixth grade science classes had a great time learning with Halloween-themed stations on October 28!



Mrs. Mercik's second grade class recently practiced counting by ones, tens, and hundreds using a fun tool... pumpkin seeds!



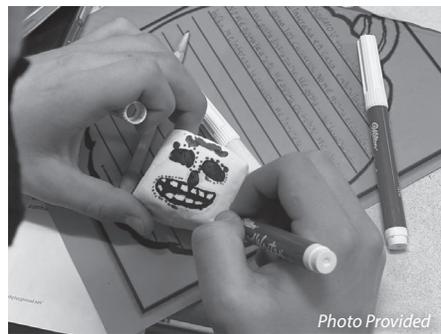
Thank you to all who helped to support Chenango Valley High School Class of 2022 end-of-year activities through the Trunk or Treat event!



Chenango Valley students had fun dressing up for Halloween, including those at Port Dickinson Elementary's outdoor parades on October 29!



Thanks to Weis Markets on Upper Front St. for donating 20 pumpkins to the FACS Department! Students were excited for a pumpkin carving contest. They also created homemade filling for mini pumpkin pies, and then gave them to educators to show gratitude.



For Día de los Muertos, Señora Griffin's Spanish class created calaveras (skulls) out of marshmallows. Their hard work and detailed designs were an awesome display of the week of October 24-30 "Positivity Project" ("P2") character strength; creativity!



French Club officers created an "effrayant" (fun) experience for club members. They made "boîtes mystères" (mystery boxes) and students guessed what was inside each box. Those who guessed correctly were entered for the chance to win a prize!



As part of their Rocks and Minerals unit, Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Vesici's sixth grade science classes made crystals using Borax.



Chenango Bridge Elementary Principal Mr. Curry and School Counselor Mrs. Cieri recently shared presentations "All About Respect" with Chenango Bridge third through fifth grade students.

Students learned about the different components of respect:

- R** – Recognize that everyone is different.
- E** – Empathy is to listen and connect.
- S** – Self-monitor. Think first.
- P** – Personal space.
- E** – Earn trust through your actions.
- C** – Cheer on others and their success.
- T** – Treat everyone as an equal.



Shane Armstrong, who is a U.S. Army Veteran and CV parent, visited second and fourth grade classes via Zoom. Mrs. Armstrong shared information about her service and answered students' questions.



Ms. VanLuvender's brother-in-law, Chief Warrant Officer Paul Zandt, visited her first grade class. He has served in the U.S. Army Reserves since August 2002, and enjoyed answering questions about his service.



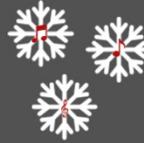
Sixth grade Warrior Academy classes wrote cards including messages of gratitude for the New York State Veterans' Home at Oxford. In addition, students learned more about the history and meaning of Veterans Day.

These events/activities tied into the November 7-13 "Positivity Project" ("P2") character strength; bravery.

**THANK YOU TO ALL VETERANS FOR YOUR SERVICE**



# CHENANGO VALLEY WINTER CONCERTS 2021



LOCATION UPDATE: ALL WINTER CONCERTS WILL BE HELD IN THE CV HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM.

CHENANGO VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7  
7:00 PM

CHENANGO BRIDGE ELEMENTARY  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9  
7:00 PM

CHENANGO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16  
7:00 PM

UPDATED DATE

MAKE-UP DATE (IF NEEDED): TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21 | 7:00 PM

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE FOLLOWED. ATTENDEES MUST WEAR A FACE MASK. ANY UPDATES WILL BE COMMUNICATED.



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**WINTER RECESS WILL TAKE PLACE FROM DECEMBER 23 THROUGH DECEMBER 31. SCHOOL WILL BE BACK IN SESSION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 3. WISHING OUR WARRIORS A SAFE AND JOY-FILLED HOLIDAY SEASON AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



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# Chenango Valley CSD Capital Improvements Project



**Vote Monday, December 13, 2021**  
**1 - 8 p.m. | CV Middle/High School Auditorium**

*\*Voters must follow COVID-19 safety protocols, including wearing a face mask inside the facility.*

On Monday, December 13, community members in the Chenango Valley Central School District will have the opportunity to vote on proposed improvements to the district's facilities in a public referendum. The proposed capital improvements project has been structured to address top-priority capital enhancements that include renovations, building system upgrades, and site work. The estimated total cost for this project will be \$19,574,000, with a local tax increase of \$0.

**This project was designed to maintain a consistent tax effort for CV taxpayers.**

**More Information:**  
[www.cvcسد.stier.org/capitalproject.aspx](http://www.cvcسد.stier.org/capitalproject.aspx)

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