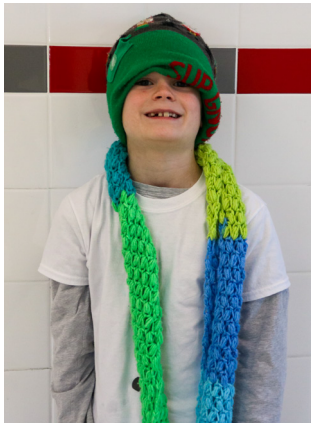


# Newscafter

FEBRUARY 2023



**District Spirit Week**  
**Winter Wonderland Wednesday**  
Visit the district website to view more photos.



# Pre-K/Kindergarten Registration

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 and kindergarten for the 2023-24 school year.

## Age Requirements

**Pre-K:** Child must be 4 years old by December 1, 2023

**Kindergarten:** Child must be 5 years old by December 1, 2023

## More Information

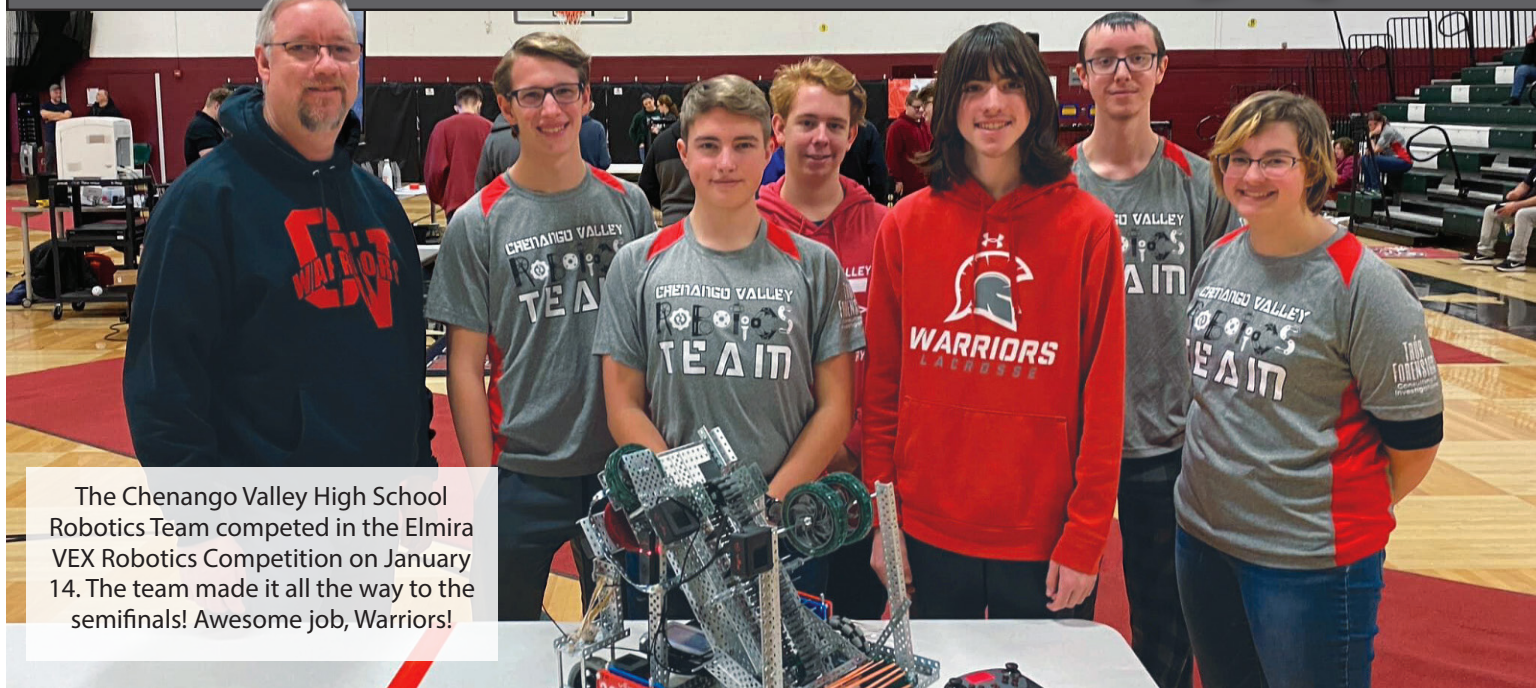
Registration information, and details on upcoming informational nights, will be available through our district website: [www.cvcasd.stier.org](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org)

## Contact Information

Questions regarding educational program: (607) 762-6970

Questions regarding registration process: (607) 762-6821

FULL-DAY &  
HALF-DAY  
PRE-K SPOTS  
AVAILABLE!



The Chenango Valley High School Robotics Team competed in the Elmira VEX Robotics Competition on January 14. The team made it all the way to the semifinals! Awesome job, Warriors!



Super Cooper's mom, Tara Busch, wrote a coloring book, "Super Cooper and Mrs. Cook: Friends Forever!" (illustrated by Russell Richardson), and surprised Mrs. Cook and her kindergarten class with copies of it on December 8. It includes special memories that Super Cooper shared with Mrs. Cook, including how they became friends.

In addition, the class received cupcakes and Super Cooper Saves the Day T-shirts. Thank you to the Busch family for sharing these kind gifts. What an amazing way to honor and spread the compassionate and fun-loving spirit of Super Cooper.



# Superintendent and BOE Messages

## Message from the Superintendent

Dear Chenango Valley Community,

After nearly 40 years in education, with most of those years spent here at Chenango Valley, it is hard to believe this is the final *Newscaster* message I will write to our Warrior community before my retirement on March 10.

I value the relationships that I have formed with countless students, staff, and families throughout my career. Some of the best memories I have were during my time spent teaching math for 20 years. Moving into administration, while challenging at times, allowed me the opportunity to not only continue to work to support students, but also their families and our faculty and staff.

I am so proud of the work that we have all accomplished over the years to continue to make the Chenango Valley School District one of the strongest in the area. Our finances are solid, our buildings are exceptional, our enrollment is steady, and our educational opportunities continue to grow. We have also increased our mental health services, increased the number of SROs, implemented additional safety measures in each building, and our staff continue to thrive. All of this thanks to a board of education that works hard for the community, as well as a community that values education. Realtors still remind me that the Chenango Valley community continues to be a sought-after district to buy a home in, which is a testament to the extraordinary value of our school system.

The board has asked Broome-Tioga BOCES District Superintendent Rebecca Stone to oversee the superintendent search process. More information will continue to be shared with our community.

Budget planning meetings are underway for the upcoming school year. The district is working on a conscientious budget that supports the educational success and well-being of our students and staff. Budget workshops designed to help inform the public on budget updates will be held beginning in February. You can see the dates of these workshops below. Information will also be posted on our district website.

As I look forward to my retirement, I end with a heartfelt "thank you" to those who have continued to support me throughout the years. I wish you and your families all the best for continued success, happiness, and celebrations!

Sincerely,

Dr. David P. Gill



Superintendent of Schools



Dr. David P. Gill  
Superintendent

## Message on Behalf of the CV Board of Education

Budget season will soon be upon us, and the CV Board of Education will be working closely with our superintendent, interim superintendent (Michelle Feyerabend), and our administration to prioritize the needs of our district. There are three budget workshops scheduled (see below) and we encourage attendance at all of them.

The process is underway to hire a new superintendent for our district. With the help of Rebecca Stone, District Superintendent of Broome-Tioga BOCES, the board will work hard over the next few months to gather information from a ThoughtExchange, meet with stakeholder focus groups, select and interview candidates, and ultimately appoint a superintendent that complements and fits the needs of our district. The goal is to have a new superintendent start on July 1, 2023.

I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank Dr. David Gill for his years of dedicated service to the district. His years of service to our students, staff, and community are very much appreciated. As he enters retirement in March, we all wish him a well-deserved, long, and happy retirement with his family.

I would also like to thank and wish Kelly Warwick well for volunteering her time and experience to the CV BOE. Kelly joined the board of education in 2015 and for almost eight years has dedicated herself to this role. She has served as president and vice-president, and chaired many committees. Her knowledge and experience have served us well and we wish her nothing but the best.

There are some exciting things coming up for us as we celebrate the halfway point of our school year. The CV High School Theatre Guild will perform Disney's *Freaky Friday* on February 24, 25, and 26. If you have never been to a high school theatre production, I strongly encourage you to attend. You will not be disappointed. Winter sports will be winding down, spring sports start in mid-March, and we will be springing ahead with daylight saving time on March 12.

I hope the remaining winter months are kind to us as we look forward to spring and all the exciting activities that it brings for our school community.



Christine Lomonaco  
CV Board of Education

### Upcoming Budget Workshops

Each workshop begins at 6:00 p.m. Please visit [www.cvcvsd.stier.org](http://www.cvcvsd.stier.org) for specific information on attending.

**#1 February 15, 2023**

**#2 March 20, 2023**

**#3 April 5, 2023**

These workshops are open to the public and explain more about the 2023-24 school year budget proposal before our Budget Vote and School Board Election on May 16, 2023. Information from these workshops, and any potential updates, will also be shared on the "Budget" webpage of our district website: [www.cvcvsd.stier.org/BudgetTaxInformation1.aspx](http://www.cvcvsd.stier.org/BudgetTaxInformation1.aspx)



### March 2023 BOE Meeting Time Update

**PLEASE NOTE: The public session of the March 15, 2023 CV Board of Education regular meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.**

# Principal Messages

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

The school year is moving quickly! We have already entered the third quarter marking period and continue to make great progress.

Our Port Dickinson committees meet weekly to plan, modify, and improve curriculum to enhance your child's education. This provides an excellent learning environment for our students.

Our Positivity Project (P2) assemblies continue each Monday. Students enjoy learning about the character strength of the week and how it can be demonstrated.

Throughout January, students took part in benchmark evaluations to provide educational growth and help meet the needs of each student. Teachers assess this information to plan and/or adjust their education strategies and curriculum.

As a reminder, there will be no school on Friday, February 17, and Monday, February 20, for Mid-Term Recess/Presidents Day.

While my time with Port Dickinson may be short, it has been filled with enjoyment. The staff and students have been fantastic, and it has been wonderful to meet the supportive parents and caregivers. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with this great school community.



**Rick Chase,**  
Interim Principal, Port  
Dickinson Elementary

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

I do hope that you are having a fantastic winter! Chenango Bridge is fully secured in our systems of support and is integrating best practices for student learning throughout the 2022-23 school year. I could not be more proud of our continuous collaboration with CB families, community partners, students, and staff to develop our systems of support for each and every student at CB.

*Some highlights from this winter are...*

- **A Focus on Learning** - Chenango Bridge is focused on each individual student and their continuous growth toward their learning goals. It is critical that we support one another to progress "one step at a time" toward every goal!
- **Consistent Communication** - It is critical that our communication is open between staff, students, and families. Our conversations and quick "touch bases" are key to our strong support system and will help to develop clear steps forward.
- **CB Clubs** - We are excited for the opportunities that CB Session II Clubs will bring! Session II Clubs will run on Mondays and Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. There will be around nine-ten clubs offered for the winter/spring 2023.
  - *Please stay tuned for more information on CB Clubs from our CB Club Advisor Team.*
- **CB Winter Celebrations:**
  - CB Winter Concert - Congratulations to our fourth grade chorus, fifth grade chorus, and fifth grade band on a fabulous performance!
  - CV Districtwide Spirit Week
  - RESPECT vote results are being finalized through a buildingwide vote!
  - The fifth grade chorus sang at a Binghamton Black Bears hockey game on January 6!
  - CB teachers continued their learning around reading instruction on January 24 and 25!
  - P2/Olweus Assembly in December - The Beauty in Being Unique!
  - Students are learning and stretching their skills every single day to accomplish every goal!



**Tom Curry,**  
Principal, Chenango Bridge  
Elementary

Please remember to reach out to a CB staff member if your child or family require any support. Any questions you might have regarding academics, social-emotional learning, enrichment opportunities, anything at all - we are here to help.

I continue to be inspired by the work happening this school year with all of you! Thank you for all your support, collaboration, open-mindedness, 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 at [tcurry@cvcasd.stier.org](mailto:tcurry@cvcasd.stier.org) or (607) 762-6950.

### Title IX Coordinators

**Michelle Feyerabend, Assistant Superintendent**

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

### Medicaid Compliance Officer

**Tara Williams Whittaker, Director of Special Education**

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### **Business address for each:**

221 Chenango Bridge Rd., Binghamton, NY 13901



# Principal Messages

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

We are at the halfway point of the school year. I remain very amazed with how CV Middle School students are handling this year. Keep up the good work! Please pay close attention to any comments from teachers, which should provide some direction for your child. Please contact your child's teachers or the guidance office if you have any questions or concerns.

On January 18, eighth grade students participated in a full day of events to help them focus on future goals. Students began their day by completing a career development survey, then went to SUNY Broome for the regional SPARK event. There, they were able to participate in a variety of interactive sessions geared toward student interests and career opportunities around the Southern Tier. These activities were sponsored by the Greater Binghamton Education Outreach Program, Broome-Tioga BOCES, SUNY Broome Community College, Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce, and The Agency. Upon returning to school, students rotated through six sessions designed to help them transition into high school. The sessions included course requirements and selection, high school expectations, the social transition to high school, a tour of the high school, and opportunities for academics, extracurriculars, arts, and sports. A huge thank you goes out to the eighth grade team who chaperoned the students, CV High School P2 leaders who helped to lead sessions at the school, and a special thank you to Mrs. Lally for organizing the event.



Eric E. Attleson,  
Principal, CV Middle School

Looking ahead, our students, teachers, and staff are excited for the 12th annual CV Middle School Cardboard Boat Race on February 23. The boat line up will be in the pool hallway starting at 4:30 p.m., judging begins at 4:45 p.m., and races begin at 5:00 p.m. Following the Cardboard Boat Race is STEAM Night, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the middle school, with activities geared toward students in pre-K through grade 5.

### REMINDERS

- Students **must** fully shut down Chromebooks every night.
- Students **must** charge Chromebooks every night.
- Although school breakfasts are free, school lunches are not this year.
  - Families are encouraged to fill out a free/reduced school meal form.
  - More information can be found through the "Food Services" section of our district website.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or the school if you have any questions or concerns. Your support throughout the year is essential to your child's success. Follow CV Middle School on Twitter: @CVMSWarriors | Look for us on Pinterest: "CVMSWARRIORS" (for middle school educational topics and ideas)

### UPCOMING EVENTS/IMPORTANT DATES

- Wed., February 15 – Budget Workshop #1 – Warrior B/C or Zoom Public Viewing – 6:00 p.m.
- Wed., February 15 – BOE Meeting – Warrior B/C or Zoom Public Viewing – 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., February 16 – Eighth Grade Transition/Trip Meeting – MS Cafeteria – 6:00 p.m.
- Fri., February 17 - Mon., February 20 – NO SCHOOL – Mid-Term Recess/Presidents Day
- Thurs., February 23 – 12th Annual Cardboard Boat Race – MS/HS Pool – 5:00 p.m.
- Thurs., February 23 – STEAM Night – CVMS – 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- Fri., February 24 – HS Musical – *Freaky Friday* – MS/HS Auditorium - 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., February 25 – HS Musical – *Freaky Friday* – MS/HS Auditorium - 7:00 p.m.
- Sun., February 26 – HS Musical – *Freaky Friday* – MS/HS Auditorium - 2:00 p.m.

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

It's hard to believe we are already in the second half of the school year! Graduation will be right around the corner. Just a reminder that it's Friday, June 23, at 7:00 p.m.

Our CV High School Theatre Guild's production of Disney's *Freaky Friday* will occur the weekend of February 24-26! Please visit the district website for more information.

Winter sports are in full swing here at the high school and clubs are meeting during tenth period. Student engagement with extracurricular activities is a great way to be connected to school beyond academics!

As we approach the second half of the school year, I'd like to remind everyone of the importance of the open line of communication between home and school. We are a team and support each other, and the success of your child is dependent on both parents/caregivers and school staff!

If your child is struggling academically, there are several ways to help. You can reach out to their teacher to get more specific information. You can also give their school counselor a call. They can help by giving strategies or setting up a conference.

Although we don't have tenth period busing right now, we still have tenth period remediation for any student able to participate. This is a great way to get extra help from a teacher. In addition to tenth period, we also have 3:00-5:30 p.m. (Warrior+) remediation time. We have Warrior+ every Monday-Thursday (when school is in session), and any student is welcome to attend. We have two teachers 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 Warrior+, feel free to reach out to our guidance department.

Thank you for your continued support.



Jennifer Ostrander  
Principal, CV High School



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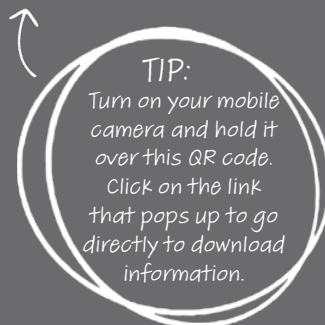
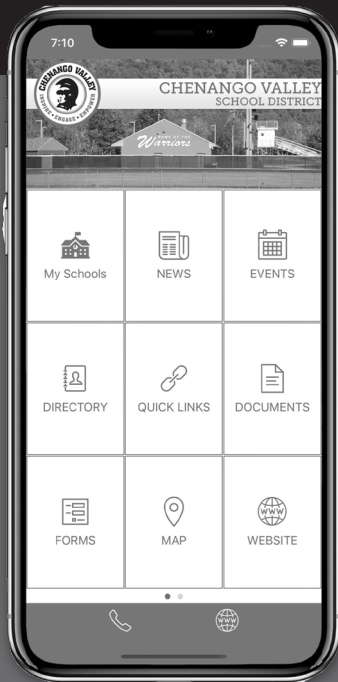
Chenango Valley is working to ensure our district website allows users to have equal access to information and functionality through ADA Compliance. We are working to help make our district's site more compliant for those with disabilities (including sight, hearing, motor, and cognitive disabilities).

If you experience difficulties accessing content on our district website or have questions about accessibility, please contact our communications office at (607) 762-6804 or email [MWengert@cvcasd.stier.org](mailto:MWengert@cvcasd.stier.org). Please include the question/issue at hand, the webpage from which you are requesting material, and your contact information.

*Reminder!*

## ORDER YOUR YEARBOOKS AND CLASS OF 2023 SENIOR ADS!

VISIT THE CV WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
[www.cvcasd.stier.org/yearbooks.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/yearbooks.aspx)



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## Information for Parents/Caregivers: Course Scheduling 2023-24

It is the time of year when the high school counselors are working with your children to get them ready for the 2023-24 school year. We have started meeting with our students one-on-one 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 in the spring, where a presentation and overview of options are covered. Students will all have a copy of their planning sheet and will add their classes online via their Chromebook. We will provide parents/caregivers with a copy of the courses their children selected by including them with a five-week report or quarter report card in May.

If you have a question about the courses your child selected, please feel free to call our office at (607) 762-6918. We thank you for your support and look forward to hearing from you.

-Judy Hayes, School Counselor (Grades 10-12: A-L)  
-Shelby Samson, School Counselor (Grades 10-12: M-Z)  
-Deb Lally, School Counselor (Grade 9)

## 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.

**\*\*Please see your counselor for more details on eligibility rules.\*\***



## Capital Project Update

Our \$19.5 million capital improvements project approved in December 2021 is continuing to progress. The design is complete and has been reviewed and approved by the NY State Education Department. We have proceeded to the procurement phase and are receiving proposals in various forms from interested contractors. We hope to award the contracts at our March board of education meeting, so the selected contractors can start ordering construction materials. Because of the size of this project, it will be completed over a two year period with the majority of the work occurring over the summer months. At this point in time, we are anticipating a large amount of site work and roofing work at the CV Middle School/High School to occur over the summer of 2023. Other miscellaneous work inside all of our buildings will take place at the same time. In the summer of 2024, we anticipate some major renovations inside the middle school/high school to occur.

In addition, our HVAC project will be finishing up this coming summer. Unit ventilators will be replaced throughout the middle school/high school and some additional HVAC equipment will be replaced at the elementary schools. This project was funded through federal stimulus monies and will improve air distribution and filtration in our schools.

Our yearly capital outlay project is nearly complete. The rooftop HVAC unit that serves the middle school/high school has been replaced and will greatly improve the ventilation within the space.

## JOIN THE CHENANGO VALLEY ELEMENTARY PTA!

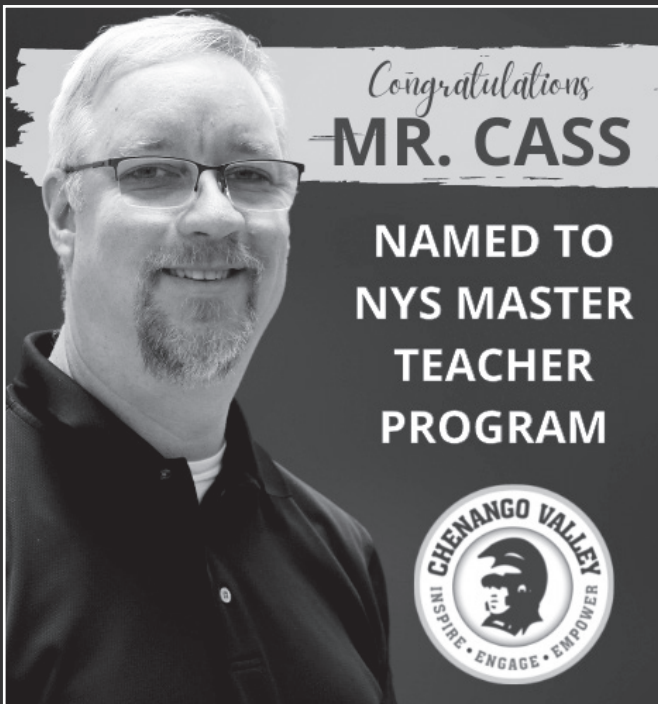
The Chenango Valley Elementary PTA is working hard to offer programs, events, and support for all students. You do not need to have a school-aged child to join the CV or any local PTA. Whether you're an alum, community member, extended family, or a student, everyone is welcome and valued. Your membership comes with "no strings attached." This is not a commitment to meetings, it is a commitment to membership. Your CVE-PTA membership is just \$5 with \$4 going to NYS-PTA and National PTA to advocate on behalf of every child.

*If you haven't already joined the CV Elementary PTA this year, please consider doing so now!*



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YOUR MOBILE DEVICE  
TO JOIN TODAY!

VISIT [WWW.CVCSD.STIER.ORG/PTA.ASPX](http://WWW.CVCSD.STIER.ORG/PTA.ASPX) FOR MORE INFORMATION!



Congratulations to Chenango Valley High School technology teacher Mr. AJ Cass who has been named to the New York State Master Teacher Program. The New York State Master Teacher Program provides vast resources and professional networking opportunities in the K-12 STEM field, giving educators the chance to not only grow their own skills but also acquire information to provide mentorship to their peers. More than 1,400 educators statewide are part of this program, including Chenango Valley High School teachers Jay Hope, Megan Preston, and Michael Breed.

*"You're always trying to become a better teacher. Through gaining the most up-to-date knowledge myself, it gives students the best opportunity to be successful." - Mr. Cass*

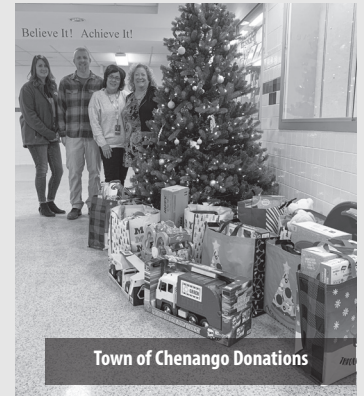
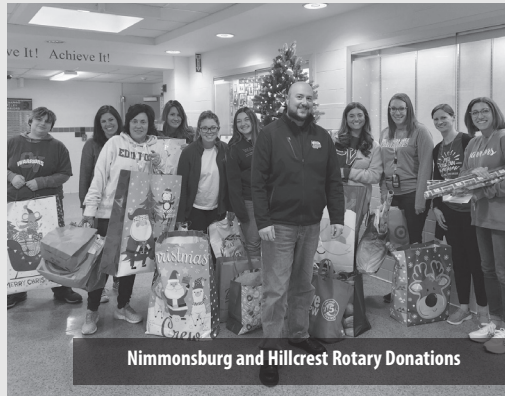
Finding the tools to help Warriors succeed is important to Mr. Cass. After graduating from CV High School, he has been working as a technology teacher in the district for almost 30 years. He noted that in this profession you must always keep growing, learning from others, and sharpening the skills you bring into the classroom. This passion for empowering students is clear outside of the classroom as well. In his time at CV, Mr. Cass has enjoyed taking on various roles, such as coaching sports teams and supervising the robotics team, to expand students' extracurricular opportunities. We wish him all the best as he begins this exciting new endeavor!



# THANK YOU, CHENANGO VALLEY COMMUNITY PARTNERS!

With our holiday program wrapped up, we wanted to share a huge thank you to our CV community! Thanks to our caring district community and faculty/staff, the holiday program was able to provide presents to 238 students. This year's program was supported by local Rotary members, the CV Alumni Association, the Town of Chenango, HS Student Council, and several individual donations (including gift cards, CV apparel, and monetary donations to the Warrior Fund).

This program wouldn't be possible without the dedicated efforts of our guidance team and all who help to contribute time and resources.



Thank you to the Hillcrest Fire Company for continuing its holiday tradition to support the community. Through this year's Hillcrest Fire Santa Run, the organization collected over 36 boxes of food to donate to the Warrior Food Center and Catherine's Cupboard, greatly helping individuals in need in our community. We extend our sincere gratitude to the fire company and all of the community members who donated!



Before winter recess, Port Dickinson Elementary students made beautiful holiday cards to send to their friends at Elizabeth Church Manor. These photos of a few of the residents who received them say it all. We're grateful for this ongoing community partnership!



Thanks to all who helped make the "Snowed in at School" event a success! The event included activities such as reading "The Snowman," enjoying hot chocolate and popcorn, and creating crafts. Participants were invited to wear cozy pajamas!

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING A COMMUNITY PARTNER?

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.

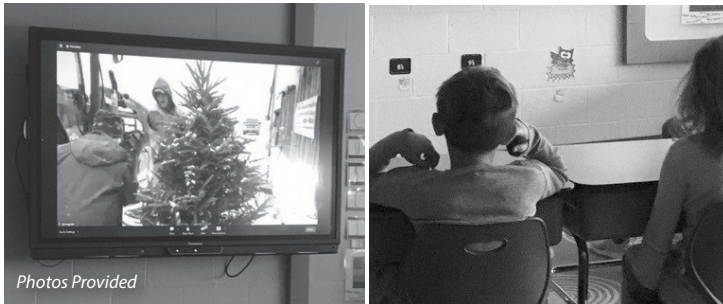




CV senior Sophie Tourtual was among more than 20 students in the BOCES Carpentry program who helped to raise the first wall on a house to be built with Habitat for Humanity.



In January, eighth grade students engaged in a full day of events focused on future goals, including participating in the regional SPARK event at SUNY Broome and attending in-school sessions designed to help them transition into high school.



In December, third grade students enjoyed a virtual field trip as part of Ag in the Classroom. They were able to learn about trees as they toured the Springside Farm.



We love Ag in the Classroom lessons, especially when ice cream is involved! In January, kindergarten students learned how ice cream is made, helped make their own, and then tried it out!



Retired CV teacher Carrie Broughton and her dog, Opie, recently visited second grade classrooms. Opie is an AKC certified therapy dog through the "Love on a Leash" program. Students loved listening to stories and having the chance to pet Opie!



Class of '21 graduate, and Civil War reenactor, Tom McEntire continued a tradition of sharing his passion of history with Mrs. Lesch's eighth grade social studies classes. He showed students items and discussed topics such as clothing, food, and camp life.



More than two dozen CV Middle School students participated in the Women in Engineering Day event at Lockheed Martin on December 2. The students had a great time engaging in STEM-focused activities and meeting professionals in the field!



MS students participated in a Farm to School program taste test during their lunch periods in December. They sampled maple sweet carrots and provided feedback. Their input will help create future healthy and locally produced NY Thursdays school meals!

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These MS Warriors did a great job competing in the Broome County Schools "Mathathon 2022" at The McKinley in Endicott in December! The event was sponsored by BAE Systems.



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As part of qualifications to earn the Eagle Scout ranking, sophomore Holden David completed an in-depth service project to enhance the district's cross-country trails. Being an avid cross-country runner, Holden decided to take on this project to not only support student-athletes, but also the broader school community. The objective of his project was to make and install maps, markers, and signs at the trails to help guide people and make being on the trails an even more enjoyable experience. Additional qualifications to achieve Eagle Scout, the highest Boys Scouts of America ranking, include demonstrating leadership and obtaining at least 21 merit badges. Excellent work!



In December, Chenango Bridge Elementary students participated in a Positivity Project (P2)/Olweus assembly to celebrate individual uniqueness. They reflected on how no two snowflakes are the same and how this applies to people as well. Students then created their own unique paper snowflakes in their classrooms to put on display in the Chenango Bridge Elementary main office hallway!



Warrior Learners sessions continue to provide opportunities for various support and mentorship resources for Chenango Valley Central School District elementary and secondary educators, especially those who are newer to the district. Thank you to our participants and all who have helped to lead workshops and provide valuable information.



PD Elementary pre-K students and their family members participated in exciting Pre-K Family Day activities in December! There was a New Year countdown and they had the chance to make awesome gingerbread creations! Pre-K Family Days help to foster meaningful early childhood memories and encourage families to become involved in their children's school activities.

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Students in Madame Henyan's French 8 classes enjoyed learning about French holiday traditions. A tradition says if you grow seeds straight and tall by Christmas, a good harvest and prosperous year will come. Students were able to take their plants home to put on the table for festive meals!



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After studying rocks and minerals, Mrs. Clark's sixth grade science students were excited to see the process of how minerals grow through a project using Borax. They created some beautiful Borax ornaments through this fun experiment!



Port Dickinson Elementary students kicked off their school day with a fun sing-along for their peers on the morning of December 19! Each grade level did a superb job of making others smile with their festive cheer!



In December, fourth grade students took part in a Holidays Around the World activity. They learned about unique traditions celebrated across the globe by visiting different classrooms. Thanks to our educators for making this such a special and engaging activity for students!



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After reading a fictional story called "The Gingerbread Contest," Mrs. Shafer's third grade students designed their own gingerbread houses. They did a wonderful job!



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Mrs. Hamlin's Gourmet Foods students made and decorated sugar cookies in December! What a sweet way to expand baking skills!



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Seventh grade students recently created positive affirmation "holiday lights." This project provided students the chance to practice positive thinking and remind themselves of their strengths.

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**THE VARSITY CHEER TEAM EARNED NOT ONE, BUT TWO BIDS TO NATIONALS THIS YEAR!**

On December 3, the CV Varsity Cheer team traveled to the Poconos to compete for a bid to participate in the UCA High School Nationals. The team competed twice and received bids for both their game day and traditional routines!

This success provided the team the chance to compete in their game day routine in the small varsity division and their traditional routine in the medium varsity division. While this marked the fourth time that a team from our program qualified to represent CV and Section IV at the national level, it was the first time our team qualified to compete in two different routines.



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Chenango Valley Cheer hosted the Sweetheart Cheer Classic on January 14 at the CV High School. Eight school districts from around the area competed in this cheer competition. Since CV hosted the event, their teams participated as exhibition (practice) rounds.

Thank you to all who helped to make this event possible!



The local news station WICZ recently visited Chenango Valley High School to speak with Class of '09 graduate Justin Topa. Topa, who was part of our Section IV Class B Championship teams in 2008 and 2009, is now a pitcher in the MLB. He was called up to the majors for the Milwaukee Brewers in 2020 and was acquired by the Seattle Mariners in January. We're excited to see him and other CV graduates continue to succeed!



Photo Provided

As a way to give back, the Chenango Valley JV Cheer team hosted a health supply drive for the Warrior Food Center on January 7. Coach Aswad shared that they surpassed their goal and collected 443 items to donate. Thank you so much to the team and our Warrior community!



Photo: Upstate Images

**Congratulations to the varsity wrestling team on being STAC Central Division champions for the winter 2022-23 season!**



**Senior Trevor Cortright recognized for 100 wins in wrestling!**

The CV wrestlers kicked off their season on a strong start, finishing in the top four as a team in their first three tournaments. Senior standout Trevor Cortright recently notched his 100th win and took first place in the 132lb weight class at the Clyde Cole Invitational, followed by going 9-0 at the Matt Fedish Memorial Duals, where he took home the "Most Outstanding Wrestler" award. Trevor was also recently named a CV Student Athletic Club "athlete of the week." Great job to all!

*Wrestling Information/Photos Provided by Coach Riquier*



## Warriors Named to Binghamton 2022 Elite Fall All-Star Teams

The Binghamton Press & Sun-Bulletin has named the Binghamton area's 2022 Elite Fall All-Star Teams. The Warriors below were selected as part of the teams, including one Coach of the Year (Mrs. Price for girls tennis) and two Players of the Year (Adelie for girls tennis and Nadia for girls soccer). Way to go!



**Terry Price**  
\*Coach of the Year\*  
2022 Binghamton Elite 7  
Girls Tennis Team



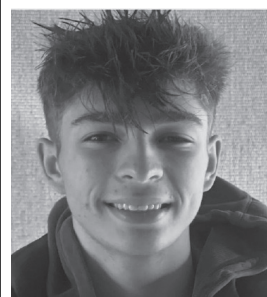
**Adelie Wilson**  
\*Player of the Year\*  
2022 Binghamton Elite 7  
Girls Tennis Team



**Nadia Wojcik**  
\*Player of the Year\*  
2022 Greater Binghamton  
Elite 15 Girls Soccer Team



**Madelyn Hayes**  
2022 Greater Binghamton  
Elite 15 Girls Soccer Team



**Aiden Granger**  
2022 Greater Binghamton  
Elite 15 Boys Soccer Team

Photos above from PressConnects.com



Congrats to CV High School Class of 2023 senior Jessica (Jessie) Gates who signed a National Letter of Intent to participate on the women's cross-country and track & field teams for Flagler College!



Congrats to CV High School Class of 2023 senior Kaylee Watson who signed a National Letter of Intent to participate on the women's softball team for East Stroudsburg University!

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

## STAY UPDATED ON THE LATEST CHENANGO VALLEY ATHLETICS HAPPENINGS!

Thank you to our students, coaches, families, and community members for your ongoing support and #CVWarriorPride!



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[www.cvcasd.stier.org/Athletics.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/Athletics.aspx)



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Subscribe to "CVATHLETICS1" to watch video streaming of home athletic contests!



**CV Student Athletic Club**  
[www.cvcasd.stier.org/studentathleticclub.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/studentathleticclub.aspx)  
\*View featured games and students-athletes of the week!

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**THE SPRING 2023 ATHLETIC SEASON IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN WITH JV AND VARSITY SPORTS ON MARCH 13!**

**Go Warriors!**

**\*STAY TUNED!\***

**ADDITIONAL WINTER 2022-23  
ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS AND  
ALL-STARS WILL BE SHARED IN  
THE NEXT NEWSCASTER!**

Visit our "Wellness" webpage ([www.cvcasd.stier.org/WellnessInformation1.aspx](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/WellnessInformation1.aspx)) to stay updated on the latest wellness events, resources, and opportunities in our district. If you have any wellness questions, you can also reach out to our wellness coordinators by contacting your school building's main office.

CV High School Theatre Guild Presents:

Disney  
**FREAKY  
FRIDAY**  
A NEW MUSICAL

**February 24, 25 & 26, 2023**  
**CV High School Auditorium**  
(Friday and Saturday - 7:00 p.m. | Sunday - 2:00 p.m.)

*Please join us for this hilarious, contemporary update of a classic story, in which a mother and daughter walk in each other's shoes for a day and discover what it means to be a family.*

**\*TICKETS ARE GENERAL ADMISSION\***  
**\$12 Adult and \$10 Child/Student/Senior (62+)**

*Please visit [www.cvcasd.stier.org](http://www.cvcasd.stier.org) to request tickets or for more information.*



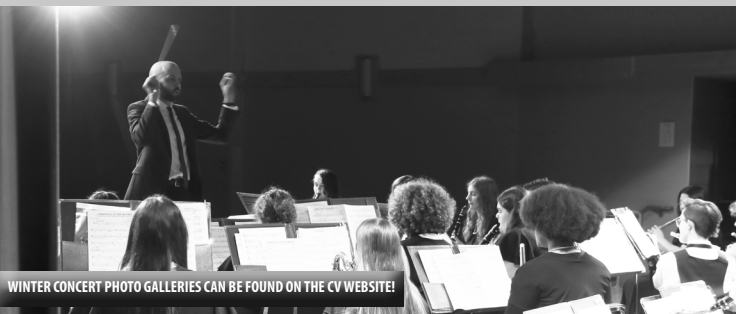
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As they prepared to perform Disney's *Freaky Friday*, members of the CV High School Theatre Guild engaged in an informative and inspiring musical theatre master class with CV Class of 2018 graduate Natalie Ehrensbeck on December 21.



Photo Provided

CV High School Select Choir members had a wonderful time caroling at the Children's Home of Wyoming Conference in December!



WINTER CONCERT PHOTO GALLERIES CAN BE FOUND ON THE CV WEBSITE!

Chenango Bridge Elementary, CV Middle School, and CV High School band and chorus members did a fabulous job performing winter concerts throughout December! Visit the district website to view photo galleries from each concert.



Members of the Chenango Bridge Elementary fifth grade chorus had the opportunity to sing at the beginning of the Binghamton Black Bears hockey game on January 6!

When Mr. Kammerman reached out to see if students could help to paint three beams in his English classroom, CV Middle School art teacher Mrs. Krawczyk found an exciting class project opportunity for her Accelerated Art students. Mr. Kammerman and Mrs. Krawczyk chose the student ideas that best met his classroom vision. After three designs were selected, students created a "mock-up" version on paper. They then got to work in teams to paint the beams. Through this project, students were able to learn about color mixing and had the chance to work together to create beautiful artwork!







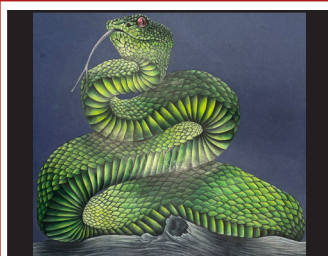
## CV Students Receive Scholastic Art Award Recognitions

The artwork of two Chenango Valley High School student artists was recognized in the 2023 Scholastic Art Awards exhibition (displayed at the Arnot Art Museum). Congratulations to Savannah and Kaylee on this amazing achievement!

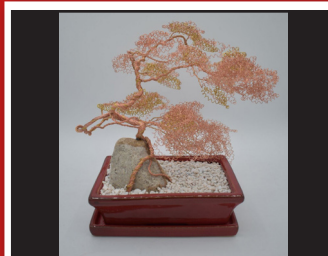
### Individual Awards



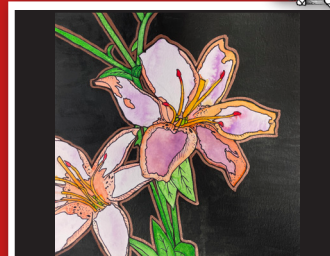
**Harmony**  
Honorable Mention  
**Savannah Greenmun**  
Drawing and Illustration | Educator: Wilson



**Red-Tailed Pit Viper**  
Silver Key  
**Savannah Greenmun**  
Drawing and Illustration | Educator: Wilson



**Copper Bonsai**  
Honorable Mention  
**Savannah Greenmun**  
Sculpture | Educator: Wilson



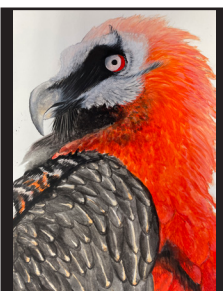
**Retro Asiatic Lilies**  
Silver Key  
**Kaylee Warner**  
Painting | Educator: Wilson

Art Portfolio: **Animalistic Investigations** | Gold Key | Savannah Greenmun  
Educator: Wilson

### Portfolio Awards



**Balance**



**Contrast**



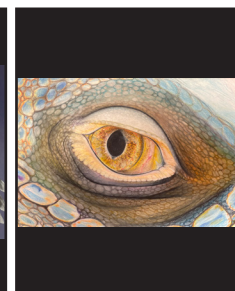
**Flow**



**Harmony**



**Rhythm**



**Unity**

Congratulations to ninth grade student Becca Pospisil who submitted a poem for the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards! Becca earned a Gold Key and the opportunity to move on to the national level. More information will be shared in the next *Newscaster*!

## CV Students Selected to Participate in All-County Performances

Congratulations to these Chenango Valley Middle School and High School students on their acceptance into upcoming All-County music performances! Way to go on this exceptional accomplishment, Warriors!

### 5-6 BAND



Andre Blaise

### 7-9 BAND



Alexandra Blaise, Sawyer Jackson, Ava Jessup, Jillian Melly, Abraham Watkins

### 10-12 BAND



Chad Cole, Holden David, Austin Greenmun, Lauren Hart, Tantawat Jampar, Erin Wales

### 5-6 CHORUS



Brielle Durkot, Austin Henyan, Kendall Massey, Tayo Osibote

### 7-9 CHORUS



Annemarie Aimoniotis, Emma Couch, Ella Hart, Susanna Italiano, Jillian Melly, Charlotte Sands, Kayden Stalker

### 10-12 CHORUS



Chad Cole, Devin Miller, Elijah Sanford, Olivia Santa Croce, Kaida Warwick



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# STEAM 2023 FAMILY NIGHT



**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23 | 6:00-7:30 PM | CV MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**PRE-K - GRADE 5 STUDENTS CAN PARTICIPATE IN A VARIETY OF  
INTERACTIVE STEAM AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES.**

**YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS EXCITING, FREE,  
AND EDUCATIONAL EVENT!**

## JOIN US FOR AN AWESOME NIGHT OF FAMILY FUN: COMMUNITY NIGHT!

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24 | 6:00-8:00 PM  
CV MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL**

**MORE INFORMATION TO  
BE PROVIDED!**

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**We inspire, engage, and empower all students to achieve their full potential.**

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