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**BUDGET EDITION - MAY 2019** 



# **Chenango Valley Central School District**

2019 - 2020 Budget Vote & School Board Election

Budget Hearing/Candidate Forum May 8, 2019

6:00 p.m., CV High School Library

**VOTE**May 21, 2019

12 (noon) - 8 p.m., CV High School Auditorium

\*Please note voting times.

(See more information on pages 2-7)

# **Library Proposition**



In May 2014, the Chenango Valley community voted to support a proposition that provided \$85,000 in annual funding to the Fenton Free Library. In May 2017 and May 2018, the CV community again voted to support propositions that increased that funding. Last year's funding level was \$117,268. The Fenton Free Library has asked to add a new proposition to the May 2019 ballot that includes an increase to its annual funding of \$2,441 for a total levy of \$119,709.

### The proposition will be worded as follows:

Shall the proposition be approved authorizing the Board of Education of the Chenango Valley Central School District to levy taxes annually in the amount of One Hundred Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Nine Dollars (\$119,709) and to pay over such monies to the trustees of the Fenton Free Library for the purpose of funding the Fenton Free Library?

According to Section 529 of New York State Education Law, libraries within the boundaries of a school district have the right to place a separate funding proposition on the district's ballot. The law provides this as a means for libraries to access community voters and levy taxes.

It is important to note that library funds and school district funds remain separate, and the school district does not have any role in funding, operations or management of the library.

For additional information, please visit the Fenton Free Library website: <a href="http://libraries.4cls.org/fenton/">http://libraries.4cls.org/fenton/</a> or contact Library Director, Korin Spencer, 1062 Chenango St., Binghamton, 724-8649

# **Bus Proposition**



Voters will be asked to consider a proposition to purchase three (3) buses at a total cost not to exceed \$340,000. This will allow the district to replace three (3) 66-passenger buses.

### The proposition will be worded as follows:

Shall the Chenango Valley Central School District, Broome County, New York, be authorized to purchase school buses, including costs incidental thereto, at a total maximum estimated cost of Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$340,000), and that such sum shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District to be collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued?

Chenango Valley has a fleet of approximately 30 buses, with a long-range plan to replace an average of three buses each year as they reach 10 years and/or 100,000 miles.

### **Transportation Aid Reimbursement**

Bus purchases, including finance costs, receive aid at the district's transportation aid ratio netted against our non-allowable pupil decimal. Our Transportation Aid ratio for 2019-20 is increasing to 83.4%.

# **Annual Small Capital Outlay Project**

The Capital Outlay project that the district completes every year has been very beneficial in allowing us to continue capital improvement work. These projects are capped at \$100,000, and the district receives aid back from NY State the following year. This is reflected in the budget as a "transfer to capital" of \$100,000. Our 2019-2020 building aid ratio will be increasing to 85.5%, resulting in a net cost of approximately \$14,500.

For 2019-2020, we are planning to do work in conjunction with the larger capital project at Port Dickinson Elementary School. The scope includes replacement of some of the mechanical heat pumps that provide heat and air conditioning to the classrooms. The heat pumps were installed in 1992 and are starting to fail, which is expected given their life expectancy. A number of units have already been replaced when they failed. Between the large capital project and the capital outlay project, all of the original 1992 heat pumps will be replaced.

# **Messages from the Superintendent and Board President**

Dear Chenango Valley Community,

We are pleased to present you with the 2019-2020 Chenango Valley Central School District budget proposal.

School districts statewide continue to be impacted by unfunded mandates, tax levy limits, escalating costs and more. While these factors are significant, it is important that we remain positive about our future and focused on the reason we're here: our students.

All students deserve a high-quality education that ensures they are college and career ready. At Chenango Valley, we are committed to this and more for our students. Our proposed budget enables us to maintain instructional integrity and effectiveness, and to help students reach their potential academically and socially. In addition, it proceeds to







Dr. David P. Gill Superintendent

increase support for our students' emotional and mental well-being, which also helps contribute to academic success.

Our mission and vision is to "inspire, engage, and empower" our students and "prepare our students for the challenges of life in the 21st century." In developing the budget, we used this mission as our guide, while giving careful consideration to all stakeholders.

The plan provides for continued support of instructional technology, particularly through our one-to-one device program, which incorporates all students in grades 3 through 12. It also aims to remain focused on supporting educational programs in the area of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) for grades K-12.

The proposal continues to include smaller capital projects that allow us to take advantage of significant state reimbursements that will be received in the following year. This means we'll be able to complete approximately \$100,000 in capital projects at a net cost of about \$14,500 (see article on page 2 for further information).

The tax levy limit law enacted in 2011 by New York State requires districts to apply an eight-step formula to determine the highest allowable tax levy increase a district can propose, which requires approval of a "simple majority" (more than 50 percent) of voters. If districts choose to propose a tax levy increase above this calculated amount, a "super majority" (more than 60 percent) of voters must approve the plan. This year, our calculated tax limit was 5.09 percent (%). However, in our 2018 Capital Project proposal (which includes the renovation of our two elementary school buildings), we communicated our commitment to no local impact for CV taxpayers. With this commitment and integrity intact, we are proposing a 2.86 percent (%) tax levy increase for the 2019-2020 school year budget.

In regards to our most recent Capital Project, we have created an Elementary Relocation Committee, comprised of stakeholders including administrators, teachers, parents and Board of Education members. We are working hard to make the temporary transitions for our elementary renovations as smooth as possible. As you should currently be aware, we will be relocating Chenango Bridge Elementary School, grades 3 through 5, to the St. Francis of Assisi school building on Chenango Street for the entire 2019-2020 school year. We will be relocating Port Dickinson Elementary School, grades pre-K through 2, to our Chenango Bridge Elementary School building for the first half of the 2019-2020 school year. We hope to move students and staff back into the newly renovated Port Dickinson Elementary building in January 2020, directly following our 2019-2020 Winter Break.

We invite and encourage all residents to attend the annual budget hearing/school board candidate forum on Wednesday, May 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chenango Valley Middle/High School Library. The district budget vote and school board elections will be held from 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21 in the Chenango Valley Middle School/High School Auditorium.

Please review the material enclosed in this *Newscaster* edition, which includes the 2019-2020 budget presented in three components, information on the bus purchase proposition and Fenton Free Library proposition, and statements from our Chenango Valley Board of Education candidates. For more detailed budget information, please visit our website: <a href="https://www.cvcsd.stier.org">www.cvcsd.stier.org</a>

If you have questions, we encourage you to contact Superintendent Dr. David Gill at 762-6810, <u>dgill@cvcsd.stier.org</u>, or School Business Executive Beth Donahue at 762-6803, edonahue@cvcsd.stier.org.

Sincerely,

Kelly Warwick Dr. David P. Gill

Board of Education President Superintendent of Schools

# 2019 - 2020 Proposed Budget

### **ADMINISTRATIVE COMPONENT**

| Function/Account                   | 2018-2019<br>Approved Budget | 2019-2020<br>Proposed Budget | Difference  |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Board of Education                 | \$ 41,311                    | \$ 41,375                    | \$64        |
| District Administration            | \$ 385,045                   | \$ 400,169                   | \$ 15,124   |
| Business Office & Finance          | \$ 782,752                   | \$ 761,710                   | (\$ 21,042) |
| Central Services                   | \$ 493,689                   | \$ 509,395                   | \$ 15,706   |
| Supervision/Curriculum Development | \$ 898,465                   | \$ 991,308                   | \$ 92,843   |
| Employee Benefits                  | \$ 1,076,104                 | \$ 1,109,381                 | \$ 33,277   |
| Total Administrative Component     | \$ 3,677,366                 | \$3,813,338                  | \$135,972   |

### **PROGRAM COMPONENT**

| Function/Account                                | 2018-2019<br>Approved Budget | 2019-2020<br>Proposed Budget | Difference   |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Teaching-Regular School                         | \$ 9,176,877                 | \$ 9,942,966                 | \$ 766,089   |
| Instruction-Special Programs                    | \$ 4,904,037                 | \$ 4,593,872                 | (\$ 310,165) |
| Instruction-Special School                      | \$ 225,000                   | \$ 275,000                   | \$ 50,000    |
| Instructional Media                             | \$ 2,049,021                 | \$ 2,070,802                 | \$ 21,781    |
| Pupil Personnel Services                        | \$ 1,051,332                 | \$ 1,159,312                 | \$ 107,980   |
| Co-Curricular & Athletics                       | \$ 705,031                   | \$ 704,608                   | (\$ 423)     |
| Transportation                                  | \$ 1,139,017                 | \$ 1,257,394                 | \$ 118,377   |
| Interfund Transfer Special Aid & Cafeteria Fund | \$ 27,000                    | \$ 29,000                    | \$ 2,000     |
| Community Services                              | \$ 7,900                     | \$ 7,900                     | -            |
| Employee Benefits                               | \$ 8,868,994                 | \$ 8,813,087                 | (\$ 55,907)  |
| Total Program Component                         | \$ 28,154,209                | \$ 28,853,941                | \$ 699,732   |

# **CAPITAL COMPONENT**

| Function/Account                           | 2018-2019<br>Approved Budget | 2019-2020<br>Proposed Budget | Difference |
|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| Operations & Maintenance                   | \$ 2,224,043                 | \$ 2,407,562                 | \$ 183,519 |
| Debt Service                               | \$ 3,528,698                 | \$ 3,770,807                 | \$ 242,109 |
| Employee Benefits                          | \$ 765,977                   | \$ 774,607                   | \$ 8,630   |
| Refund of Taxes                            | \$ 7,500                     | \$ 7,500                     | -          |
| Interfund Transfer to Capital (see page 2) | \$ 100,000                   | \$ 100,000                   | -          |
| Total Capital Component                    | \$ 6,626,218                 | \$ 7,060,476                 | \$ 434,258 |

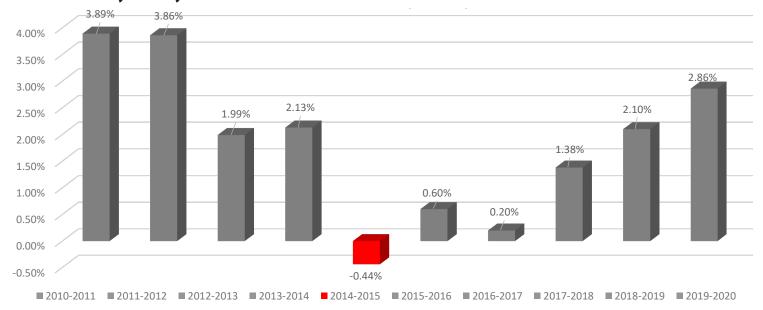
| Difference I |               | 2018-2019<br>Approved Budget |              |
|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| \$ 1,269,962 | \$ 39,727,755 | \$ 38,457,793                | GRAND TOTALS |

# 2019 - 2020 Proposed Budget

### **ESTIMATED REVENUES**

| Category                  | 2018-2019<br>Budgeted Revenue | 2019-2020<br>Proposed Revenue | Difference   |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Tax Levy                  | \$ 19,296,446                 | \$ 19,849,067                 | \$ 552,621   |
|                           |                               |                               |              |
| State Aid                 | \$ 17,450,400                 | \$ 18,134,886                 | \$ 684,486   |
|                           |                               |                               |              |
| Other Revenue             | \$ 1,151,947                  | \$ 1,193,802                  | \$ 41,855    |
|                           |                               |                               |              |
| Appropriated Fund Balance | \$ 250,000                    | \$ 250,000                    | -            |
|                           |                               |                               |              |
| Appropriated Reserves     | \$ 309,000                    | \$ 300,000                    | (\$ 9,000)   |
|                           |                               |                               |              |
| Total Revenue             | \$ 38,457,793                 | \$ 39,727,755                 | \$ 1,269,962 |

# **10-Year Tax Levy History**



# **Tax Levy Limit**

The calculation to determine the 2019-20 tax levy limit for Chenango Valley resulted in an "allowable" levy increase of 5.09%. The district made a promise to our taxpayers that the current capital project would maintain (not increase) the tax effort that was in place at the time that the project was approved by voters. As a result, a new calculation was done to determine the tax levy increase that accurately accounts for the "capital levy" impact on the tax levy limit. This new calculation resulted in a recommended tax levy increase of 2.86% instead of 5.09% or \$430,000 under the tax levy limit. The impact of this 2.86% increase on an annual tax bill of a home valued at \$100,000 would be approximately \$80.

# **Equalization Rate Impact**

Every homeowner's tax bill is impacted by changes in equalization rates that are assigned by NYS to every town each summer prior to school tax bills being calculated. As a result of that change, each town in our school district will see a different impact on their tax bill depending on their town's change in equalization rate relative to other towns in the state. For more information on STAR and equalization rates, please visit the NYS Office of Real Property website at <a href="https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property">www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property</a>.

For more on budget information for the 2019-2020 school year, please visit: www.cvcsd.stier.org



**Shaun Boorom** 

My name is Shaun Boorom. I was born and raised in Binghamton and have lived in the Chenango Valley School District for 18 years. My wife Meca is a 1998 graduate of Chenango Valley and we have three boys attending CV. Our oldest son Parker is a freshman at the high school. He has been on the Varsity Bowling team since he was in 7th grade and already has multiple scholarships for college from bowling. Our middle child Carter is in the middle school and is also a member of the Warrior bowling team. He is also active in STEM programs whenever he gets the chance. Our youngest son Miles is in Kindergarten at Port Dick Elementary. Miles is a "Disney-aholic" and played his first year of CV football last year.

I graduated from Binghamton High School in 1997, attended college at both SUNY Morrisville and SUNY Broome and eventually followed in my father's footsteps in the medical field.

I am currently a Corporate Account Manager at Modern Marketing Concepts, representing the worldwide medical company, KCI. Currently in charge of more than 500 Skilled Nursing facilities across the country, I work daily with Directors of Clinical Services, Chief Financial Officers, doctors and clinicians to help provide the best possible service to their patients. I am one of only two people in the company to ever become a Nationally Certified Inside Sales Professional and have completed the Scotwork Negotiation Training program.

I have donated 6 years of my time to molding young athletes' minds as a coach for the Chenango Valley youth football program, including helping lead the '2015' 7/8 year olds to the district's only "Super-bowl" championship.

My background in corporate budgets, identifying the different needs of each individual, and compassion for those in need make me well suited for the job of board member. I have developed such a pride for this district and am driven to not only keeping community pride, but bolstering it. I am most interested in working on ideas to better streamline communication between the district and parents and feel my background in working with people with varying concerns and ideas makes me the best fit for the Board of Education.

**Budget Hearing/Candidate Forum**May 8, 2019 | 6:00 PM | CV High School Library



Scott Wilson

Please consider my candidacy for Chenango Valley School Board. I was born and raised in Chenango Bridge by a CV alum! As a graduate of the Chenango Valley Class of 1992, I have a tremendous sense of pride in the district. Being a former CV student athlete spanning basketball, soccer, golf, track, and tennis I appreciate the balance required to succeed. Currently living in Chenango Bridge since 2001 with my wife Michelle (also a CV alum), all three of our children attend Chenango Valley and enjoy a mix of academics, music, athletics, and other clubs and experiences.

After graduating from Chenango Valley, I continued my education at Clarkson University and North Carolina State University earning a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science. To further my professional development, I attended George Mason University and completed an executive program to obtain a Master of Business Administration. This has provided the basis for a career in business and technology. Currently I am running a sales team in the northeast for World Wide Technology delivering advanced information technology solutions to major corporations.

Upon returning to the Binghamton area in 2001, my wife and I chose to locate in the Chenango Valley district to afford our children the same experiences we enjoyed, including the pleasure of having many of the same teachers we had in school! As an active member of the community I have been involved with Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts (a proud Eagle Scout parent), coaching soccer and basketball for civic teams as well at the YMCA and Greater Binghamton Sports Complex. Our children participate in a number of activities including hockey, tennis, gymnastics, lacrosse, track and field, band, golf, Business Club, and Latin Club. We understand the busy lifestyle our children and parents are balancing.

It is complicated to manage the well being of our children, prepare them for the future, and do so in a fiscally responsible manner. We must strive for the best from each and every student, teacher, faculty and staff member, coach, and administrator to make Chenango Valley the best possible experience for everyone. My training and leadership experiences have culminated in an ability to be analytical and thoughtful in making complex business decisions that I feel would translate well to the School Board.

I am a passionate advocate of education to differentiate our students in an evolving global economy. Thank you for your consideration of my candidacy.

# **Voting Information**



# School Budget Vote and Board Election Tuesday, May 21, 2019

12 (noon) to 8:00 p.m.

**CV High School Auditorium** 

(221 Chenango Bridge Road)

# On the Ballot:

CV voters will decide on:

- 2019 2020 Proposed Budget
- Two (2) Seats on the Board of Education
  - Two (2) Five-Year Terms
- Bus Proposition
- Fenton Free Library Proposition

# **Absentee Ballots:**

Absentee ballot applications may be obtained through District Clerk Susan Cirba, 762-6812. Voters must verify eligibility and provide an eligible reason for their inability to vote in person. Absentee ballot applications must be requested at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the vote, and the returned ballot must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote. The district will automatically mail absentee ballots to voters listed as "permanently disabled" on the Board of Election's list. For more information, please call Susan Cirba at 762-6812.

# **Voter Eligibility:**

To vote, you must be:

- 18 years of age or older
- · a U.S. citizen, and
- a resident of the school district for at least 30 days (proof of residency is required: NYS driver's license, sheriff's ID card, senior citizen ID card or utility bill indicating residency)

# What if the Budget Doesn't Pass?

The board of education will either:

(1) Make changes to the budget and hold a second vote. It should be noted that if the budget doesn't pass the second time, the only remaining option would be to adopt a contingency budget as outlined in number 2 below.

(2) Adopt a contingency budget. If a contingency budget is adopted, \$99,000 in equipment purchases would be eliminated and a total of \$453,621 in additional cuts would have to be made, resulting in \$81,500 in administrative component, \$272,121 in the program component and \$100,000 in the capital component.

# More Information:

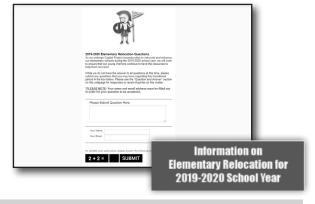
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# **Capital Project Update**

As we reach closer to undergoing our exciting renovations at both elementary school buildings, please note that in addition to other district publications, there will be periodic updates shared on the "Information on Elementary Relocation for 2019-2020 School Year" page on Chenango Valley's website (<a href="www.cvcsd.stier.org">www.cvcsd.stier.org</a>). While we do not have the answer to all questions at this time, there is also an opportunity to submit any questions that you may have regarding this transitional period on the web page. Answers will be shared on the page. As always, please feel free to reach out to your building principal with questions as well. Thank you for your support as we work continue to work towards this renovation period that will significantly benefit our elementary students and staff.



# **District News**

### **Public Notice**

The Chenango Valley Central School District has completed the inspection of all schools and buildings to determine the condition of asbestos that is present, and whether any action is required to avoid potential health hazards for students, employees and visitors. A management plan has been developed in accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), to ensure the continued provision and maintenance of a safe environment for students, employees and visitors. The management plan includes training of maintenance staff to prevent disturbance of asbestos, periodic re-inspection, surveillance, and limited abatement by trained personnel.

Please note that the comprehensive, triennial inspection occurs once every three years. A surveillance inspection of the asbestoscontaining building materials occurs every six months, typically during the months of December and July. Monitoring of these building materials occurs on a continuing basis. A copy of the management plan is available at the district office. If you would like further information regarding this matter, please contact the Chenango Valley Facilities and Operations Department at (607) 762-6860.



# 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.

Attendance remains highly important as we embark on our fourth and final quarter of the school year. We want our students to be able to finish strong academically. Therefore, it is imperative for all students to attend school and complete each assignment.

### Here are a few ways that you can continue to help your child to succeed:

- Utilize Chenango Valley's Parent Portal. This web-based program allows parents/guardians to access their child's grades and attendance information for students in grades 6-12. More information can be found in the "Parents" section of our district website.
- · Keep open communication with your child's teacher(s), principal and/or the guidance office if you have any questions or concerns.
- · Help your child maintain a routine that promotes success, including finishing homework and getting adequate sleep each night.

For more resources on helping students to succeed by reducing chronic absences, you can visit: www.attendanceworks.org

# **Chenango Valley Hosts 'STEAM Night 2019'**

Chenango Valley was happy to celebrate the areas of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics during the district's annual "STEAM Night" event on February 28. Students had the chance to participate in a variety of interactive STEAM and learning opportunities. Thank you to all who helped to make this wonderful event possible!







# Chenango Valley 'Community Night' Displays Warrior Pride

Thank you to all who helped to make this year's "Community Night" event at Chenango Valley a success! The event, which included a variety of fun and exciting activities, was held at Chenango Valley Middle School/High School on March 8.







# 'A Night to Shine' Held at Chenango Valley High School

CV High School Interact Club members, CV administrators and staff, and community members had an amazing time being part of the "Night to Shine" prom celebrating people with special needs, which was held in the Chenango Valley High School Gymnasium. The event was hosted by the First United Methodist Church of Chenango Bridge and sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation.







# **Chenango Valley Receives School Safety Award**

Chenango Valley Central School District recently received the Utica National Insurance Group's "2019 School Safety Excellence Award" at the titanium level with honors.

This award is presented annually and recognizes school districts for continued efforts in working to keep their school environment safe. This was Chenango Valley's 14th year receiving the safety award from Utica National. A \$500 check for use in furthering safety efforts was also presented to the district as part of the award.



Mr. Tomm, Chenango Valley Director of Pupil Services, accepting award

# **Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration**

If you have a child who will be <u>four</u> or <u>five</u> years old by December 1, 2019, please call (607) 762-6970 to be placed on a mailing list to receive registration information for pre-K or kindergarten.

<u>Please note:</u> If your child was in the Pre-K Program at Port Dickinson Elementary for the 2018-2019 school year, he/she will automatically be enrolled in kindergarten beginning in September 2019.



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# **PTA Events Promote Family-School Connection**

The Chenango Valley Elementary PTA sponsored a "Candy Land" themed winter dance on February 23 for elementary girls and their chaperones. On March 30, the PTA sponsored a "Ninja Warrior" event which included fun activities for boys and their chaperones.





# **Elementary Students Receive PARP Surprise**

Port Dickinson and Chenango Bridge Elementary students received a special PARP (Pick a Reading Partner) surprise this March. On March 12, a "Leprechaun Lady" and friends from the CV Elementary PTA shared copies of the book "How to Catch a Leprechaun" with each of our Port Dickinson Elementary classes! The books were left behind by a magical leprechaun. Students were very excited to soon read the story! On March 13, each Chenango Bridge Elementary class received a copy of the Magic Tree House book "Leprechaun in Late Winter" from the Chenango Valley Elementary PTA. The books were apparently also left by a leprechaun! Students were quite delighted about their new classroom books!



PDE class receives a special visit from the "Leprechaun Lady" as part of PARP initiative

# Superintendent's Conference Day Showcases Educational Collaboration

Hundreds of educators expanded their knowledge in various subjects during Superintendent's Conference Day at CVCSD. The day included the Broome-Tioga Arts Conference on "Assessment and Reflection Aligned to Standards," a New York State mandatory refresher with transportation officials from CV and Harpursville, a workshop for nurses from various districts, Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training, Mental Health First Aid training, a Net Generation workshop for PE teachers, a Units of Study in Reading session and curriculum review. Thanks to all who helped to make this informative day possible!





### CV Takes Part in 2019 'Canstruction' Event

Using canned food and other non-perishable food items, the Chenango Valley Canstruction team created a replica of the Empire State Building for the 2019 Canstruction of the Southern Tier event held in the Oakdale Mall. Canstruction is an international hunger-relief competition. The event helps to raise awareness and benefit the Food Bank of the Southern Tier and CHOW. After the cans of food were taken down, they were donated to aid hunger-relief efforts throughout Broome County. This year, Chenango Valley's team won "People's Choice" for small structures and also received a special "Best Adherence to the Rules" award!



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# **Robotics Challenge Provides Learning Opportunities**

Chenango Valley Middle School and High School students displayed their STEAM skills during the SUNY Broome and Eastern Southern Tier STEM Hub Robotics Challenge on March 27. The Chenango Valley High School teams came in second place for their events and the CV Middle School teams placed fourth. In addition to some friendly competition, this annual event helps to promote teamwork, as well as engage students in problem solving.

# CV Students Participate in 'RoboRAVE' Competition

On April 6, 13 Chenango Valley elementary through high school students in Oxford were among more than 150 players from across the globe who took part in a RoboRAVE International Robotics Education and Competition event. The Chenango Valley elementary teams finished first and eighth in the a-MAZE-ing challenge. Students were tasked with creating a robot capable of going through an elevated maze in two minutes or less. The CVHS team finished third in SumoBot, in which team members needed to create a robot that could push one or more of its opponent "sumo robots" out of an elevated ring. The CVMS team finished fifth in SumoBot. The goal of this fun competition was to engage students in robotics programming and design, while also inspiring them to build upon their teamwork skills. RoboRAVE's motto is "Today's Play, Tomorrow's Pay."





# CB Student Proposes 'Cooper's Corner' Library Play Area

Chenango Bridge Elementary third grade student Caleb Dancesia recently visited the Broome-Tioga BOCES Tech Academy to share a proposal for building a library play area in honor of "Super Cooper." With his mother Laura and sister Emma by his side, Caleb presented Tech Academy 9 students and staff his vision to create sensory tables at the Fenton Free Library. These tables help children learn and engage their senses through interaction with various materials. Caleb's idea was influenced by Cooper Busch (whose courageous battle with a rare form of leukemia earned him the nickname "Super Cooper") who loved to visit the library. Caleb would like to call the play area Cooper's Corner. His mother reached out to BOCES for assistance in making Cooper's Corner possible, and Principal Matt Sheehan guided her to the class. Following the heartwarming presentation, including photos in memory of Cooper, the class of ninth grade students was inspired to begin designing and building the table, which will also contain the "Super Cooper" emblem. Once Cooper's Corner is completed in the library, the plan is to have a grand opening welcoming all to enjoy the new play area.

# Chenango Valley Showcases Talents in 'Odyssey of the Mind'

Four teams represented Chenango Valley Central School District at the 2019 Region 12 Odyssey of the Mind tournament. The talents and hard work of our students, and their coaches, shined during the event held at Broome-Tioga BOCES on March 9.

The primary team was made up of Joseph Dundon III, Madelyn Durham, Liam Ramsay-Hopkins, Evan McCall, Avery Osibote, Gabriel Steinberg and Penelope Stiles, and coached by Rachael Steinberg. The group took part in "Primary Problem: Museum Makers." These young Warriors showed wonderful creativity skills!

Our second team was made up of Abigail Cron, Aurora Heard, Ava Jessup, Eleanor Kruser, Natalie Lamando, Emilie Moulton and Bianca Tuttle, and was coached by Kristine Jessup. The group competed in "Leonardo's Workshop" (Division I) and placed third! Awesome job, Warriors!

Our third team was made up of Samuel Brewer, Austin Greenmun, Grady Heard, Courtney McCabe, Arin Miller, Rhapsody Moss and Abigail Randis, and coached by Jen Greenmun and Amanda Randis. They competed in the problem "Leonardo's Workshop" (Division II) and placed fourth! Way to go!

Our fourth team was made up of Sadie Dutcher, Savannah Greenmun, Dylan McCabe, Ethan Randis, Merrell Rouff, Jenna Schaefer and Khammaneh Weather, and coached by Cathi McCabe. They competed in the problem "OMER to the Rescue Again" (Division II) and placed second! The team qualified to compete in the state-level Odyssey of the Mind competition at Binghamton University on March 23. Great job, Warriors!

The district is very proud of our Odyssey team members and coaches for their commitment and dedication that is continuously showcased in this annual competition. Thank you to all who make this opportunity possible for our students, including CV administrators, CV Board of Education members and parents/guardians. Also, a BIG thank you to the coaches who volunteer their time to help our students learn and grow, and provide fun memories along the way!

Congratulations to each of our teams, you are all AWESOME!









# CV Students' 'Ask a Scientist' Questions Answered

Third grade student William Zheng and second grade student Braeleigh Durkot recently had "Ask a Scientist" questions featured in the Press and Sun Bulletin. William's question was "How much of the ocean has been discovered?" and was answered by Lua Lopez, Research Assistant Professor in Binghamton University's Biology Department. Braeleigh's question was "Why do ducks quack?" and was answered by Rebecca Pearce, a doctoral candidate and teaching assistant in BU's Biology Department. The answers to their questions can be found on <a href="https://www.bressconnects.com">www.bressconnects.com</a> and <a href="https://www.binghamton.edu">www.binghamton.edu</a>. We look forward to seeing more of the questions from our inquiring young Warrior minds answered soon!





# **Poster Project Promotes Positivity**

CV sophomore Kendra Potenziano made a collage poster design to help instill confidence in others as part of a project in the process of gaining her Girl Scout Gold Award (the highest achievement within the Girl Scouts of the USA). Ms. Ann Szymaniak and sixth grade CV student Kaida Warwick helped to create the poster at a summer camp. It aims to promote female empowerment and positivity for all who view it. The poster has been duplicated and hung around Chenango Valley Middle School and High School to help share its messages.



# **Music & Art**

# CV Named Among '2019 Best Communities for Music Education'

Chenango Valley has been named among the NAMM Foundation "2019 Best Communities for Music Education"! This is a true testament to the hard work and talents of our students, our dedicated music department educators and the support of our community as a whole!

According to the NAMM Foundation website, "The award program recognizes outstanding efforts by teachers, administrators, parents, students and community leaders who have made music education part of a well-rounded education. Designations are made to districts and schools that demonstrate an exceptionally high commitment and access to music education." Congratulations and way to go, Warriors!



# 'Chenango Valley Warriors for Peace' Concert Celebrates Music in Our Schools Month

On March 19, Chenango Valley chorus members in grades 4 through 12 came together to put on a "CV Warriors for Peace" concert. Their melodic vocal performance helped to celebrate Music in Our Schools Month, which is recognized in March.



# **Pops Concert Showcases Delightful Tunes**

Chenango Valley Middle School and High School students entertained with a variety of joyful tunes at the 2019 Pops Concert on April 9!

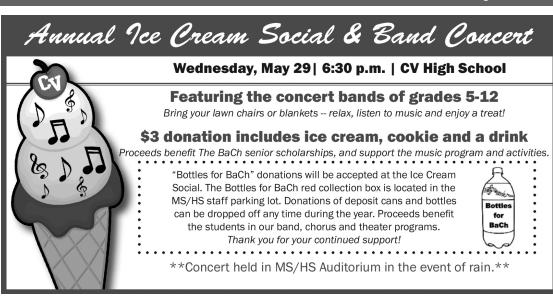






See more pictures from district events in the "Photo Galleries" section of our district website (www.cvcsd.stier.org)





# **Music & Art**

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# CVHS Theatre Guild Presents 'The Addams Family'

The Chenango Valley High School Theatre Guild put on a fantastic production of "The Addams Family" this March! Many hours of rehearsals, practice and fun went into making this show a success. Wonderful job to all involved!





# **Music Department Hosts Brass Masterclass**

On February 14, the Chenango Valley Music Department was happy to hold a brass masterclass featuring Chiz Rider. Mr. Rider is a professional trumpet player who has toured internationally. During the masterclass, Mr. Rider spoke about methods of good practice and breath support. He also demonstrated different members of the trumpet family, and discussed his life as a traveling musician. Mr. Rider even surprised the students by playing two trumpets at the same time! Special thank you to Ms. O'Brien for inviting Mr. Rider to Chenango Valley for this wonderful learning opportunity!

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Wonderful job to all of our Chenango Valley Warriors who participated in this year's New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA) student solo and ensemble performances! Your hard work and dedication shines through each of your achievements!

NAME

LEVEL

| NAME                                  | INSTRUMENT    | GRADE | LEVEL |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| Amiah Afify                           | Voice Solo    | 7     | 3     |
| Olivia Bochenek                       | Voice Solo    | 10    | 5     |
| Callie Broderick                      | Voice Solo    | 7     | 3     |
| Mikayla Bucci                         | Clarinet      | 9     | 4     |
| Ashland Craig                         | Piano         | 6     | 1     |
| Forrest Dorn                          | Trumpet       | 9     | 4     |
| Forrest Dorn                          | Voice Solo    | 9     | 5     |
| Sadie Dutcher                         | Voice Solo    | 8     | 3     |
| Alexander Fedo                        | Voice Solo    | 10    | 5     |
| Nolan Garnar                          | Tenor Sax     | 6     | 1     |
| Sarah Gorman                          | Flute         | 9     | 4     |
| James Hart                            | Voice Solo    | 11    | 5     |
| Lauren Hart                           | Bass Clarinet | 8     | 3     |
| Kerri Hayes                           | Voice Solo    | 10    | 5     |
| Aisling King                          | Bass Clarinet | 6     | 1     |
| Aisling King                          | Voice Solo    | 6     | 1     |
| Brendan Kliment                       | Trumpet       | 6     | 1     |
| Dayani Lora                           | Alto Sax      | 7     | 3     |
| Dayani Lora                           | Voice Solo    | 7     | 3     |
| Grazielle Lora                        | Voice Solo    | 6     | 1     |
| Grazielle Lora                        | Oboe          | 6     | 1     |
| Jillian Melly                         | Flute         | 4     | 2     |
| Maddisen Nelson                       | Tenor Sax     | 9     | 4     |
| Maddisen Nelson/<br>Alexandra Escobar | Ensemble Sax  | 9/10  | 4     |
| Melanie Nelson                        | Voice Solo    | 11    | 6     |

| Dawson Palmer      | Voice Solo      | 10 | 5                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|----|-------------------|
| Joseph Paugh       | Tenor Sax       | 6  | 1                 |
| Olivia Pepples     | Perc-Snare Drum | 9  | 5                 |
| Samantha Perney    | Voice Solo      | 7  | 3                 |
| Saniah Reeves      | Voice Solo      | 9  | 5                 |
| Corrina Rouff      | Voice Solo      | 8  | 4                 |
| Grace Sabol        | Trumpet         | 6  | 1                 |
| Olivia Santa Croce | Voice Solo      | 8  | 4                 |
| Madeline Selby     | Clarinet        | 10 | 5                 |
| Jessica Serafini   | Flute           | 11 | All-State 6       |
| Abigail Skinner    | Voice Solo      | 7  | 3                 |
| Haley Smith        | Bass Clarinet   | 7  | 3                 |
| Haley Smith        | Piano           | 7  | 2                 |
| Owen Staub         | Voice Solo      | 11 | 5                 |
| Sophia Stento      | Trumpet         | 7  | 3                 |
| Fisher Sullivan    | Voice Solo      | 9  | 5                 |
| Gabriel Tallant    | Tenor Sax       | 6  | 1                 |
| Vincent Tatich     | Voice Solo      | 11 | 5                 |
| Mary Thayne        | Piano           | 7  | 2                 |
| Teagan Thetford    | Voice Solo      | 6  | 1                 |
| Bridgette Turner   | Voice Solo      | 10 | All-State 6       |
| Erin Wales         | Flute           | 8  | 4                 |
| Kaida Warwick      | Voice Solo      | 6  | 1                 |
| Kaida Warwick      | Trumpet         | 6  | Festival<br>Level |
| Adelie Wilson      | Trombone        | 7  | 4                 |
|                    |                 |    | 42                |

# **Music & Art**

# Students Display Talents in 'Emerging Artists' Competition

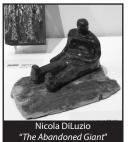
Ten CV High School students showcased 12 pieces in the "Broome County High Schools' 2019 Emerging Artists Competition and Exhibition" presented by the Broome County Arts Council. The exhibit was displayed at the Artisan Gallery on Court Street in Binghamton.

An April 5 event at the exhibit included an awards ceremony and opening reception. CV High School senior Kayla Ferris received the "Best-in-Show" award (the award for the piece judged with the highest score) for her drawing "Ambition"! With event sponsorship from FASST (the Fine Arts Society of the Southern Tier), she also received a \$100 gift certificate for her achievement. In addition, the Broome County Legislature recognized Kayla and the competition's award winners on April 11. Wonderful job to all of our Warrior artists!

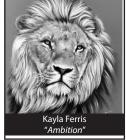


Kayla Ferris was recognized by the Broome County Legislature for receiving the "Best-in-Show" award





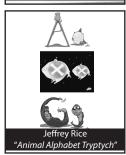


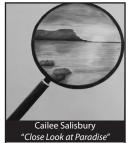


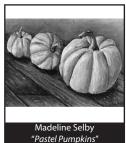




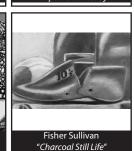












# CVHS Student Participates in 24-Hour Drawing Marathon

Chenango Valley High School senior Kayla Ferris displayed her artistic skills as she participated in a 24-hour drawing marathon at the Binghamton University Art Museum. As one of 14 participants selected, starting at 10:00 a.m. on April 5 and continuing until 10:00 a.m. on April 6, Kayla worked with charcoal medium to depict a live model posed at the center of the museum. While short breaks were given, the artists and model stayed the entire 24 hours to complete the event. Chenango Valley is very proud of Kayla for her hard work, talent and determination!



# **Students Visit Corning Museum of Glass**

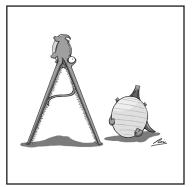
Advanced art students had a wonderful time visiting the Corning Museum of Glass on February 23. At the museum, they were able to see amazing pieces of artwork on display and even make some of their own glass creations!



# Student Artwork Featured in Legislative Exhibit

CVHS junior Logan Fetterman's pen and ink artwork of an iguana was recently featured in the 2019 New York State Art Teachers Association (NYSATA) Legislative Student Art Exhibit in Albany! Senior Jeffrey Rice's digital illustration "A is for Alligator" was also in the show! Way to go, Warriors!





# 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

**Grade 6 Honor Roll** Shauib Algahaim Madison Allen Samuel Begley Jordan Benowski Samuel Brewer Ashaya Buckland Kayleigh Callahan Aiden Chordas Mileena Colson Dylan DeFilipps Jacob Demer Gwendolyn Desmond Michael Dovle Dominic Fiocco Austin Greenmun Michael Griswold Addison Hanyon Christopher Hartmann Jr Briella Hasty **Bobbie-Lynn Hotchkiss** Lilia Inzhirova **Tantawat Jampar** Gabriella Jones Michael Kaufman Arianna Langevin Adrianna Lenz Sarah Lesch Mason Marinaro Dominick Martinichio Kadyn Martinichio Kamryn Martinichio Nevaeh Masso Courtney McCabe Eligha McFadden **Rhapsody Moss** Jason O'Connor Giordana Panella Joseph Paugh Emma Pavelski Jolene Pleus Christian Polkowski **Anthony Presto** Jacob Rackett **Abigail Randis** Nicolas Riegal Madilvn Robertson Isabella Ross Alexander Rzeszot **Alexis Sands Brandon Shafer** Aaden Shannon Madelyn Strnatka Hayden-Rae Swan

**Teagan Thetford** 

Carson Thurber

**Avery Tomm** 

Haley Trisket

Ryan Wiley

**Grade 7 Honor Roll** 

Amr Algahaim Tarrah Allen Caden Atkinson Jenna Beck Alexis Bilka-Durdon Brian Blaise Lana Briggs Addisyn Charpinsky **Grayson Clark Christopher Davies Destiny Duckworth** Owen Edwards Steven Faulkner Abigail Golden-Thomas Aiden Granger Madelyn Hardler Matthew Houseknecht Iris Keldon Ava Laroussi Rocco Lockwood Madison Marshfield Jacob Mies Grace Pavelski Samantha Perney Isabelle Pottios Luis Ramos-Pritzl **Aubrey Staub** Dana Testani Kaylee Warner **Andrew Watt** Myron Wells Hannah Woolson

**Grade 8 Honor Roll** 

Autumn Albrechta Fares Algahaim Madeline Anderson Brenna Atkinson **Ethan Benedict** Cicely Bianco Gianna Black Aidan Butora Aidan Cavanaugh Ean Chapman Vincenzo DiLuzio Zoe Donlick Sarah Doughty Jada Ealy Nathan Edwards Jocelyn Erickson Dylan Ford Jessica Gates Marianna Gerdus Logan Getchell Luke Gillette **Emilee Greiner** Kaylee Guelzow Alexander Harlost **Brandon Hirst** 

**David Inzhirov Icey Jones** Finnian King Hannah Labarr Angelo Mitchell James O'Bryan Joshua Packer Joseph Ranucci Bear Red Elena Rose Christopher Schuldt John Serafini Fenner Sisson Leo Skiba **Noah Stanton** Ethan Striley Alexander Telfer Sophie Tourtual Cayden Turcotte Michael Turna Nadia Wojcik Gabriel Wright Lily Young

**Grade 9 Honor Roll** 

Grace Brown

Sarah Bush Gabriella Capers Molly Carter Nathan Charpinsky Savana Collins **Emma Dofton** Emma Farr-Giblin Caydin Gates Sadie Graham Jacob Irons Eric Jewson Linden Knup Alissa Kropp Jordan Martin Gavin Mercik Rylie Miller Joshua Miller Tino Montemagno Isabella Moore **Zachary Murphy** Joseph Nester Allyson O'Connor Chloe Osteen **Christopher Paultre** Jenna Pratt **Aaron Salisbury** Anna Shaffer Priscilla Soule Justin Stimak Sophia Sullivan Thomas Tarbox Adonna Taubar Nicholas VanBarriger

Braedyn Vinsevich

**Grade 10 Honor Roll** 

Ryan Atkinson Natalie Broderick Peyton Broderick John Buchinsky Ellen Buckley Rachel Butch William Clark Jr Ethan Clark Autumn Dorn **Aaron Dundon Thomas Eccleston** Jakob Emm Alexandra Escobar Alexander Fedo Paige Fetterman Tori Goga Daniel Gorman Nikkolas Hiras Megann Jones Cameron Krisko Elijah Lanfear Ethan Morgan Macev Ranucci Vanessa Rodzinka Eric Schuldt Maximilian Singer Jacob Stimak Nasira Tas Dominic Testani Aaliyah Williams

**Grade 11 Honor Roll** 

Kylie Baleno McKenna Beers Meghan Berg Kelsey Burden Jenna Castellucci Maia Chapman Thomas Christoffersen **Zachary Crooks** Connor Crouse Amelia DiRienzo **Christopher Ealy** Logan Fetterman Anthony Forbidussi Macaila Harlost Claire Harvey Sara Marinaro Abigail Mercik Dhwani Patel Jonathan Pecha Tyler Pennay Kendall Rinker Cailee Salisbury **Brett Salzman** Emma Schmidt Caitlyn Slater Jacob Smith

**Dominic Strong** 

Vincent Tatich Ryan Wardell Alexander Wojcik

**Grade 12 Honor Roll** 

Antoinette Bennett William Blewett Alyvia Brown Ellis Cleveland Tara Crissman Darin Dupuy Dylan Ferry Christy Hanson Macklyn Hogan **Brady Hope** Nathan Klein Travis Kraack **Edward Kuklo** Sarah Lamoreaux Chelsey Liddle **Thomas Love** Dominic Mastronardi Jackson Moss Nicholas Norton Hunter O'Connor Caitlyn Pierce **Alexis Randis** Haley Risoli Marrissa Rogers Nicholas Roser Jayna Ross Zachary Sarvey Harley Sarvey Madisyn Savage Devin Skogfeldt Molly Snashall Meghan Swan **Taylor Trout** Mallorie Turner Elijah Williams

# 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

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

Alex Bangar

**Bryson Bates** 

Colsten Beers Harper Bigelow Vivian Bozuhoski Mary Bush Megan Butch Sarah Chong **Ashland Craig** Ajay Datta Holden David Natalia Dithrich Natalie Dodson Adriana Escobar James Fitzgerald Nolan Garnar **Anthony Gianisis** Damon Goga Alaina Hamilton Madelyn Hayes **Grady Heard** Madison Hubenthal Amelia Irons Aisling King **Brendan Kliment** Caelyn Koch Isaiah Kolb Grazielle Lora Nathaniel Marinaro Rylie Moulton Sophie O'Brien Jaiden Panella Zoe Patterson Caidence Ramos-Pritzl Makenzi Reinhard **Grace Sabol** Elijah Sanford Schyler Savage Tywala Stafford **Gabriel Tallant** Jennings Terrell Natalie Turner **Brynn Vinsevich** Warren Walters Kaida Warwick **Avolyn Williams** Miley Wood Aiden Woodruff

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

Sophia Ashman Molly Berg Olivia Blaise Alexander Boel Callie Broderick

Kristen Young

Tony Zheng

Mary Brom Sophia Bucci Finian Dolaway Greta Dutcher Grace Frost Kamryn Hoyt Dayani Lora Jessica Matson Isabella McKown Lola Montemagno Kelcey Osteen **Ethan Randis** Leah Riquier Amir Sadykov Kvle Santi Skylar Schaefer Tyler Schultz Dominic Scott Scarlet Shelley Hannah Sherling Abigail Skinner Covany Skinner Haley Smith Sophia Stento Alessandro Testani Mary Thayne Adelie Wilson

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

Garrett Andersen Amanda Anderson Colin Atkinson Lucas Baier Marley Baldwin Michael Battisti Jadyn Bobzien Leila Cehic Anesia Christian-Tas Joshua Coddington Chad Cole Joshua Conrow Sadie Dutcher Elizabeth Dzuba Carly Edwards Elizabeth Eggleston Savannah Greenmun Chase Hanyon Lauren Hart Cameron Hirst Kate Hope Tyler Hopkins 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 Natalie Smith Madeline Trisket **Erin Wales** Kavlee Watson Khammaneh Weather Sarah Willmott

### <u>Grade 9 High Honor Roll</u>

Rocco Ashman
Corey Ashman
Gabriel Beam
Maxwell Bigelow
Alex Jacobs
Aidan Marroquin
Maddisen Nelson
Vraj Patel
Olivia Pepples
Carson Riquier
Fisher Sullivan
Donavon Tomm
Nathaniel Wojcik

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

Kenna Abell Cassondra Blewett Jacob Coddington **Devin Edwards** Luke Garris Zoe Henry Case Joelene Pratt **Andrew Rice** Faith Riegal Bryana Sawyer Samantha Scott Madeline Selby Sarah Shafer Nathan Siedlecky Ella Stafford Zachariah Stanton Megan Taylor Rory Thompson Bridgette Turner Colsten Volpe Alexa Willis

### Grade 11 High Honor Roll

Madison Aswad
Matthew Blance
Liana Carman
Cassidy Hopkins
Diana Inzhirova
Patrick McCabe
Abigail Pepples
Katerina Retzlaff
Elizabeth Rice
Gabrielle Rogers
Kaylee Shannon
Henry Stroka
Ava Travis
Dylan Weeks
Austin Williams

### Grade 12 High Honor Roll

Catherine Ashman Jacob Aurelio Nathan Aylward Tyler Benedict Eric Brom **Audrey Calica Ethan Cooper** Rachel Cron Shane Culver Katie Doan David Dodson Hannah Frey Cita George Kaitlyn Hardler Ryan Houseknecht Jeremy Kellam Nathan Lehr Andy Li Marc Marion Kendyll McMahon Leann Mulligan Kayla Ranucci

Joshua VanBarriger

# **Honors with Distinction**

# Grade 9 Honors w/ Distinction

Caleb Barkwell Mikayla Bucci Owen Craig Isabelle Dithrich **Emily Goodstal** Sarah Gorman Owen O'Brien Colin Perney Tara Pitcher Saniah Reeves Lindsev Rice Ethan Rogers Riley Spencer Ainsley Staub Madeline Stento Celia Trumino Justin Wardell Maisy Wood Elijah Young

### Grade 10 Honors w/

Distinction Kamryn Bates Charles Beam Olivia Bochenek **Brian Chong** Mary Doyle Caelynn Edwards Caleb Frost Kerri Hayes Matthew Hensel Lucas Hoyt Isaiah Keldon Thomas McEntire Gabriel McManus Kendall Morrell **Dawson Palmer** Kendra Potenziano Miranda Rogers Lilian Shellev Keira Warwick

# Grade 11 Honors w/ Distinction

Anthony Austin
Samuel Bozuhoski
Jacob Brown
Aubrey Craig
Grace Elliott
Kyle Ferris
Natalie Gillette
Danielle Jewson

Audra Lee Dominick Lomonaco Erin McCollough Julia Morgan Elizabeth Morgan Melanie Nelson Teagan Nester Maxwell Reppard Michael Schultz Caleb Schwarz Jessica Serafini Daniel Shulman Owen Staub Emma Trumino Morgan Whittington Nolan Wilson

### Grade 12 Honors w/

Distinction Alia Arnold Alexa Attleson Sara Bozuhoski James Bush Faith Fassett Kayla Ferris Jacklyn Hardler Mary Hibbard Morgan Jones **Brittany Kropp** Natalie Lehr Paige Lettera Logan McCarthy McKenna Miller Hallie Morgan Elizabeth Morton Cody Nagle Madison Nealy Carly O'Brien Madison Perrault Taylor Potenziano Kathrine Regan Jeffrey Rice Breanen Rought **Lucas Scott** Erin Skinner Calista Smith Max Sobel Kara Watson John-Paul Webster Caitlin Whiting Carter Wilson Shania Woloch

Camryn Zaic

# **Guidance**

### CV Students to Attend RYLA Conference

Abigail Mercik, Elizabeth Morgan, Caleb Schwarz and Dylan Weeks were selected to represent CV at this year's Rotary Youth Leadership Conference (RYLA) at SUNY Oneonta from June 30 through July 3.

These four students will join 110 other students from high schools in the South Central New York region who will live, work and study together. Aimed at developing the leadership potential of young people, the conference will feature speakers, programs and workshops focused on decision-making, critical thinking, effective communication, time management ethics, career development, public service, contemporary problems and other challenging issues.

Congratulations to Abby, Elizabeth, Caleb and Dylan for being selected and a special thank you to Rotary and its representatives for sponsoring our students.



# **Students to Represent Chenango Valley at State Conferences**

Zachary Crooks was selected to represent CV at the 2019 Boys' State Conference this summer at SUNY Morrisville State College. Boys' State is a week-long Leadership Action Program, sponsored by the American Legion, where high school juniors participate in a practical government experience designed to develop a working knowledge of the structure of government. Program objectives include developing civic leadership and pride in American Citizenship, fostering a keen interest in the detailed study of our government, encouraging young citizens a determination to maintain our form of government and to develop an understanding of American traditions and a belief in the United States. Congratulations to Zachary and a special thank you to the American Legion for sponsoring!

Dhwani Patel and Katerina Retzlaff were selected for the 2019 Girls' State Conference at the end of June at SUNY Brockport. Girls State is a hands-on workshop on government, the political process and leadership. It is a non-partisan School of Government through which the American Legion Auxiliary attempts to educate young women in the duties, rights and responsibilities of American Citizens. In one week, the Girls' State citizens build a government for a mythical 51st state, from the local to state level. They participate in campaigns, rallies, speeches, platforms and various legislative committees, as well as create bills. The students come as strangers and leave as friends, confident of their role and duties as citizens in a democratic society. Congratulations to both girls and a special thank you to the American Legion Auxiliary!



Zachary Crooks



Dhwani Patel

Katerina Retzlaff

'Life is a Reality' Shares Valuable Financial Lessons

On March 28, Chenango Valley High School seniors experienced first-hand lessons in financial management at the annual "Life is a Reality" expo, sponsored by Visions Federal Credit Union. The event was held at the Broome-Tioga BOCES Education Center. With the help of representatives from Visions, this educational experience presented students with an interactive and authentic look at managing money. Students prepared for the event through economics/government classwork. With a chosen occupation, each student navigated through various booths that simulated real-life scenarios and necessities. During "check out," students saw the final amount of income they had after their expenses were paid. They also received a paper with the "Ten Basic Rules of Money Management," which included the importance of planning, setting financial goals and paying bills on time. Thank you to Visions Federal Credit Union, the Chenango Valley Guidance Department and Broome-Tioga BOCES for continuing to make this informative event possible for our Chenango Valley students!



# **Athletics**



# Winter 2018-19 Chenango Valley Athletics Highlights Below are just a few of the amazing accomplishments of our Warrior athletes. Wonderful job to all this season!



- The CV High School varsity cheer team did an awesome job at the 2019 UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship in Orlando, Florida! The team made it all the way to the semi-finals round and placed 16th in their division!
- The Chenango Valley boys varsity swim team ranked fifth in New York State for Class B and were East Division champions this 2018-19 season!
- **State Qualifiers** 
  - **Boys Swimming** 
    - · Peyton Broderick, James Bush, Elijah Lanfear, Dawson Palmer and Michael Schultz
  - Wrestling
    - · Nathan Lehr and Brady Hope
  - Varsity Cheerleading Team
  - Indoor Track and Field
    - Michael Godbay and Mallorie Turner

# **Athletic All-Stars**

### Indoor Track

Michael Godbay Mallorie Turner

### Cheerleading

Harley Sarvey

### **Bovs Swimming**

Dawson Palmer **Pevton Broderick** James Bush

Lucas Hoyt Elijah Lanfear

Michael Schultz Alexander Hilldale

### Wrestling

Colsten Volpe Nathan Lehr Nathan Aylward **Brady Hope** 

# **Scholar-Athlete Teams**

- · Boys Basketball
- · Girls Basketball
- Boys Swimming
- Cheerleading
- Girls Indoor Track

# **CV Volleyball Team Receives Sportsmanship Recognition**

Congratulations to the CV varsity volleyball team for receiving the 2018 STAC League Sportsmanship Award! Way to go, Warriors!



Chenango Valley is excited to announce our new "Wellness" webpage on the district's website: www.cvcsd.stier.org/WellnessInformation1.aspx

If you have any wellness questions, you can also reach out to our wellness coordinators by contacting your school building's main office.

# **Athletics**

# CV Boys Soccer Team Presents Donation to Lourdes Hospital Foundation

On March 27, members of the Chenango Valley varsity boys soccer team presented Robert O'Connell, the President of the Lourdes Hospital Foundation, with a donation of \$250 for the Sock Out Cancer initiative and \$250 towards the Geller Oncology Fund. During part of their fall 2018 season, the team wore pink jerseys with the names of individuals in their lives affected by cancer. In addition, they asked their family members and Chenango Valley community members to make monetary contributions based on the number of goals scored by the team's players. Proceeds raised were included in their donation.

"We care and we're trying to help anybody in any way that we can," said Chenango Valley freshman Aidan Marroquin.

The team hopes to continue this effort in the future and possibly make it even bigger.

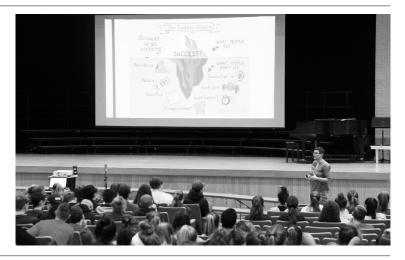




# Chenango Valley Holds 'Athletic Summit'

The Chenango Valley Athletics Department hosted an Athletic Summit on March 12. Andrea Fallon-Korb of Aspire Performance Coaching was the featured speaker. The goal of this event was to inspire our student-athletes to reach for their fullest potential both on and off the field. It also provided coaches with tools for training today's athletes.

The event began with an informative session for student-athletes focused on resiliency, including topics such as growth versus fixed mindsets and the power of self-talk. The student discussion was followed by a session for coaches focused on strategies for coaching the modern athlete, including topics such as the importance of connection and how to encourage motivation. Thank you to all who helped to make this presentation possible!



# **CVHS Students Attend Student-Athlete Leadership Conference**

Student-athletes from Chenango Valley High School had the opportunity to take part in a student-athlete leadership conference called "Positive Leadership is Powerful Leadership" at Clarks Sports Center in Cooperstown on March 1.

The event, hosted by the CCS Leadership Training for Athletes Program, included keynote speakers, presenters and workshops. Its goal was to inspire students to be effective leaders that work to encourage and assist teammates to help all succeed.

Chenango Valley is thankful our students were able take part in this informative event!



# **Port Dickinson Elementary**

We have finally made it to spring! It is great to see more sunshine, warmer temperatures and longer daylight each day. There are many important, exciting events happening at Port Dickinson Elementary School. Our highlights are as follows:

- · PD's Poetry Recitation took place on Wednesday, April 3. We had judges listen to our students recite their poems. Special thanks to Dr. David Gill, Mrs. Lorri Vitali and Ms. Ann Szymaniak for helping us. The two winners were Finley Beers (Grade 2/Mrs. Huyck) and Kyle Whitman (Grade 2/Mrs. Mercik). They represented Port Dickinson Elementary at the Eleanor Hendricks Countywide Poetry Recitation at Binghamton High School on April 27. We are so proud of Fin and Kyle, and all of our PD poetry participants!

Mary Beth Hammond principal, Port Dickinson Elementary

- Congratulations to our kindergarten Odyssey of the Mind team that competed on Saturday, March 9 in the regional competition at Broome-Tioga BOCES. This team was coached by Mrs. Rachael Steinberg and the team members included Gabriel Steinberg, Madelyn Durham, Avery Osibote, Joseph Dundon III, Evan McCall, Penelope Stiles and Liam Ramsay-Hopkins. Odyssey of the Mind would not be successful without the fabulous effort and dedication of Mrs. Cynthia Gates each year. Thank you so much for all that you do!
- Attendance is a huge priority for all of us at Port Dickinson Elementary. Since the beginning of the school year, we have seen a steady improvement in students attending school and a decrease in the amount of students who are chronically absent. An important fact for everyone to know is that a student is considered "chronically absent" if he/she misses ten (10) percent (%) of the possible days we attend school. For our PD students, this means that missing 18 days in one school year is chronically absent. Learning each day is essential to success in academics. It also helps in areas such as making good choices and being a good friend.
- Our students continue to develop stamina and work on challenging, rigorous learning tasks in ELA, math, science, and social studies. Students also gain knowledge and skills from their work in library, art, music, band and physical education. The learning and progress that our students achieve is a collaborative effort from our dedicated faculty and staff at Port Dickinson Elementary School. Our home/school connections are also essential in helping every warrior succeed.

In addition to the wonderful learning opportunities our students engage in daily, we all continue to focus on safety. Please make sure that you follow the safety/security procedures that are shared monthly in our building newsletters. Please take time to look at our "Family Resource Center" area at PD, located near the Security Office. We welcome you to use this tool, complete with valuable handouts, resources and information, as another way to communicate and connect between home and school.

Thank you for working with all of the faculty/staff at Port Dickinson Elementary School. Communication is key to success. Your support is very much appreciated! Enjoy the beauty of the season of spring!

# 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!





# **PD Shows Heart with Kids Heart Challenge**

Second grade student Isabella Blaise was the top fundraising student for Port Dickinson Elementary's Kids Heart Challenge. Isabella raised \$1,035. This year, Port Dickinson raised \$9,206 total. This was the school's 11th year participating and it has raised over \$90,000 towards the American Heart Association so far! Way to go, Warriors!



# **PD Students Enjoy Musical Presentation**

Thank you to the Tri-Cities Opera for performing a presentation of "Goldie B. Locks and the Three Singing Bears" at PD in celebration of Music in Our Schools Month! The presentation shared messages such as the importance of telling the truth.



# **Port Dickinson Elementary**

# 'Poetry is in Bloom' at PD Elementary

Just in time for the spring season, poetry was in bloom at Port Dickinson Elementary! Students did an amazing job performing poems in front of their classmates, teachers and family members at the school's annual Poetry Recitation! Judges for the recitation were Ms. Ann Szymaniak, retired Port Dickinson Elementary teacher Mrs. Lorri Vitali and Chenango Valley Superintendent Dr. David Gill. Two students, Finley Beers and Kyle Whitman, were selected to represent Port Dickinson Elementary at the county recitation in April. All participants received recognition for their hard work! Wonderful job to all of our Warrior participants!







# 'Ag in the Classroom' Brings Delightful Treats to PD Students

Representatives from Broome County's Cornell Cooperative Extension recently brought some special treats to our second grade students through the Agriculture (Ag) in the Classroom program! On March 29, each PDE second grade class was read the book "On the Farm, At the Market" by G. Brian Karas. The book displays many aspects of New York State's unique agriculture, including food production and distribution. Broome County Executive Jason Garnar even paid a special visit and read the book to Mrs. Shelepak's and Mrs. Dellapenna's classes in a morning session! All second grade students also had the opportunity to sample locally made maple cream and cheese curds.



# **Rowdy the Rumble Pony Visits PDE**

Thank you to Rowdy and friends from the Binghamton Rumble Ponies for visiting Port Dickinson Elementary and sharing smiles, high fives, birthday wishes and a love for reading with our students in honor of Dr. Suess Day/Read Across America Day!





# Second Graders Take on 'March Madness Reading Challenge'

Second grade students at Port Dickinson Elementary recently had the opportunity to take part in Mrs. Wiser's "March Madness Reading Challenge," as a fun way to encourage reading at home with a partner. Students were asked to read as many nights in March as they could. In addition to knowledge gained through the books, students received rewards such as pencils, erasers, bookmarks and candy.



# PD Students Encouraged to 'Make Someone Smile'

During the month of February, Port Dickinson Elementary students were challenged to perform random acts of kindness in honor of "Super Cooper" and the friendliness that he shared with others. For their challenge, students received a paper to be filled out with what they did, who they did it for and a drawing of either the act they performed or the smile on the face of the kind act's recipient. Students' papers were displayed in the school near a sign reading #MakeSomeoneSmile.





# **Chenango Bridge Elementary**

This has been a very busy winter for the boys and girls of Chenango Bridge. Recently, the children have been working on a positivity wall. Children are encouraged to put positive messages about each other or their school up on the wall for others to see.

Chenango Bridge had a team at the regional Broome-Tioga BOCES Odyssey of the Mind competition. The team members included Ava Jessup, Eleanor Kruser, Bianca Tuttle, Aurora Heard, Abigail Cron, Natalie Lamando and Emilie Moulton. The team placed third in their event. Way to go!

Students have been taking part in a Battle of the Books initiative at Chenango Bridge. This is an Accelerated Reader challenge to encourage students' love for literacy. Chenango Bridge students take AR quizzes after reading a book or article to earn points for their team. There are three teams with six classes each (two classes per grade are on each team). The winning team is recognized monthly with a prize such as hot cocoa delivered to their classrooms. In addition, top point earners in each grade level are recognized, awarded a prize and certificate of achievement, and have their picture posted on the Battle of the Books display.



Jim Pritchard, principal, Chenango Bridge Elem.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Arin Miller from Mr. Amirian's class and Lauren Vesci from Mrs. Reardon's class, who were selected at the Chenango Bridge Poetry Recitation to represent our school at the Eleanor Hendricks Countywide Poetry Reception on April 27 in the Helen Foley Theater at Binghamton High School. Wonderful job to all of our students who participated in the Chenango Bridge Poetry Recitation!

From all the faculty and staff here at Chenango Bridge, we want to wish you a happy spring.

# 'Pass on the Positivity Wall' Spreads Kindness

Chenango Bridge Elementary Student Council members (in grades 3-5) recently helped to create a Pass on the Positivity Wall as a way to spread kind thoughts throughout the school. "Take what you need. Give what you can," read the wall covered with inspirational sticky notes. Students were encouraged to take a note that made them smile and leave a message of hope for others who may have needed it in return.



# CB Class Learns from Author Through Skype

Students in Ms. Macaluso's class at Chenango Bridge Elementary recently had an exciting opportunity to learn from Cressida Cowell, the author of the "How to Train your Dragon" book series. Using Skype in the Classroom, students discovered how to make their narratives come to life by adding details and developing character traits. Thank you for sharing such informative tips, Ms. Cowell!



# **Animal Adventure Inspires CBE STEAM Projects**

Thank you to Animal Adventure Park owner Jordan Patch for visiting CB Elementary and sharing with students what it takes to build a giraffe shelter on February 8. Inspired by Tajiri the giraffe (who has already moved within the park), grade 3-5 students created conceptual designs of what they imagined for a new shelter for the famous four-legged animal in their STEAM classes. The goal of the presentation was to inspire and give helpful tips to students as they continued their projects. Mr. Patch ended his informative presentation encouraging students to always "Dream BIG!" Students took these word into consideration as they worked on their class designs.





# **Chenango Bridge Elementary**

# **CB Students 'Spring into Poetry'**

Chenango Bridge Elementary held its annual "Spring into Poetry" recitation on March 21 (which also happened to be World Poetry Day). Each teacher selected two students from their classroom to recite a poem. Participants did a fantastic job sharing their memorized pieces in front of the school! Judges at the recitation were School Resource Officer Scott Alston, Chenango Valley Superintendent Dr. David Gill, and retired Chenango Bridge Elementary teachers Mrs. Mary Lou Zanot and Mrs. Cheryl Ryder. Two students, Arin Miller and Lauren Vesci, were selected to represent Chenango Bridge Elementary at the county recitation on April 27. Awesome job to all involved!





# **CB Elementary Students 'Rock On'!**

On February 19, six students at Chenango Bridge Elementary represented the district by participating in the recording of "Rock on Café" segments for NewsChannel 34. Using their own unique personality, each student read a scripted lunch menu on camera. The following students participated: Giavanna Bucci, Gavin Michalko, Madden Michalko, Connor Mika, Jenna Thorne and Lauren Vesci. Their segments aired on NewsChannel 34 in March. They can also be viewed at <a href="https://www.binghamtonhomepage.com">www.binghamtonhomepage.com</a>.



# 'Show of Love' Assembly Highlights Importance of Leadership, Kindness

CB Elementary students recently took part in an assembly focused on the power of positive peer relationships, respect and compassion. Mr. Joe Trionfero led a "Show of Love" character education assembly at the elementary school on Valentine's Day. This program helped to teach students empathy, responsibility and communication skills through interactive, engaging and entertaining activities.







# **Student Council Officers Enjoy Productive Lunch**

Chenango Valley Superintendent Dr. Gill, Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Feyerabend, Mr. Pritchard, Mrs. Pourby and Ms. Heller had the opportunity to enjoy lunch and conversation with representatives from the Chenango Bridge Elementary Student Council on February 19. Some of the group's topics of conversation included classes, the Positivity Wall project and ideas on how the district can continue to help students to succeed.



# **CB Shows Heart with Kids Heart Challenge**

Third grade student Harper O'Hara was the top fundraising student for Chenango Bridge Elementary's Kids Heart Challenge. Harper raised \$275. As a whole, Chenango Bridge raised nearly \$3,000 for the American Heart Association this year. This was the 14th consecutive year that CB has participated. Way to go, Warriors!



# **Middle School**

Spring has finally arrived and Chenango Valley Middle School has surely seen a whirlwind of activity as we entered our fourth and final marking period. Our sixth, seventh and eighth graders recently completed the NYS Assessments in ELA and prepared to take the Math Assessment.

On February 28, CVMS held its ninth annual Cardboard Boat Races which was followed by the fourth annual STEAM (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rt and **M**ath) Night. Over 100 students with 47 boats competed in our boat racing event. The winner for the fastest time was the "Warrior Rebellion" with a pool time of 55 seconds. The winner for most school spirit was the "CVW's." The winner for most creative boat was the "Dragon Drifters." I would like to thank all who participated in this event. We look forward to next year's extravaganza!



Eric E. Attleson, principal CV Middle School

We've entered the final ten (10) week stretch. Please pay close attention to any particular comments from teachers, which should provide some direction for your child. Please spend time with your sons/daughters and begin reviewing for the end-of-the-year exams. Please contact the guidance office if you have any questions or concerns.

As the warm weather is upon us, I would like to remind parents to assist their child(ren) in making proper clothing choices. Outfits such as tube tops, tank tops, midriff tops, spaghetti straps and other revealing clothing are **not** allowed. Shorts/skirts must be at or below fingertips in length with arms placed by one's sides. If students are wearing articles of clothing deemed inappropriate, they will be asked to change into more appropriate school dress. Please take the time in the morning to make sure your child's outfit is appropriate for school.

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

### **Upcoming Events in the Middle School**

- Wednesday, May 8 BOE Budget Hearing/Meet the Candidates Forum 6:00 p.m. MS/HS Library
- Thursday, May 16 MS Spring Concert 7:00 p.m. MS/HS Auditorium
- Friday, May 17 End of the 5-Week Marking Period
- Friday, May 17 8th Grade Trip Medical Forms are due
- Tuesday, May 21 Annual Budget Vote & School Board Election 12:00 (noon) to 8:00 p.m. MS/HS Auditorium
- Wednesday, May 22 BOE Meeting 7:00 p.m. MS/HS Library
- Wednesday, May 22 8th Grade NYS Science Performance Assessment testing window opens
- Thursday, May 23 5-Week Reports sent home with students
- Friday, May 24 and Monday, May 27 School Closed Memorial Day Recess
- Wednesday, May 29 Ice Cream Social & Band Concert 6:30 p.m. MS/HS
- Monday, June 3 8th Grade NYS Science Written Assessment
- Thursday, June 13 through Friday, June 14 8th Grade Trip to Philadelphia

# **Students Enjoy Snowball Dance**

CV Middle School seventh and eighth grade students enjoyed attending the 2019 Snowball Dance sponsored by YES LEADS!







# Students Take Part in Middle School Cardboard Boat Races

Sixth through eighth grade students had a fun time taking part in the ninth annual Chenango Valley Middle School Cardboard Boat Races on February 28. (See principal's message above for overall winners and our district website for results from each grade level.)







# **Middle School**

### Student of the Month - Jan. 2019



Front row I-r: Madison Marshfield, Grazielle Lora, Brynn Vinsevich, Skylar Schaefer, Aiden Woodruff | Back row I-r: Tyler Hopkins, Grayson Clark, Corrina Rouff, Jenna Schaefer

**6th Grade Team** Grazielle Lora Aiden Woodruff **Good Citizen: Brynn Vinsevich** 

7th Grade Team **Grayson Clark** Skylar Schaefer Good Citizen: Madison Marshfield

### 8th Grade Team

Jenna Schaefer Tyler Hopkins **Good Citizen:** Corrina Rouff

### Student of the Month - Feb. 2019



Front row I-r: Greta Dutcher, Kristen Young, Sarah Willmott, Jason O'Connor | Back row I-r: Arianna Langevin, Isabella McKown, Joshua Conrow, Brian Blaise, Marin Lesch

**7th Grade Team** 

Isabella McKown

**6th Grade Team** Kristen Young Jason O'Connor

Greta Dutcher **Good Citizen: Good Citizen:** Arianna Langevin Brian Blaise

### 8th Grade Team

Marin Lesch Joshua Conrow **Good Citizen:** Sarah Willmott

### Student of the Month - March 2019



Front row I-r: Grace Frost, Sarah Chong, Jessica Gates, Ajay Datta | Back row I-r: Abigail Skinner, Finian Dolaway, Joshua Coddington, Lauren Hart, Alyssa Campbell

7th Grade Team

**Grace Frost** 

**6th Grade Team** Sarah Chong Ajay Datta **Good Citizen:** 

Abigail Skinner **Good Citizen:** Finian Dolaway Alyssa Campbell

### **8th Grade Team**

Lauren Hart Joshua Coddington **Good Citizen:** Jessica Gates

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

# Students, Staff Display Appreciation

As part of CV Middle School's Warrior STRONG, students and staff showed appreciation and gratitude to others in their school community for the work they do and the positive difference they make each day! This recognition was displayed in multiple ways, including:



Faculty and staff members signed a poster explaining why students make Chenango Valley Middle School so great!



Students signed posters in front of each MS room, highlighting the positive impact that staff members and teachers make!



Faculty and staff members also showed each other appreciation by placing positive notes in jars for their colleagues!

# Eighth Graders Participate in 'Engineering Day'

A dozen Chenango Valley Middle School eighth grade students had the opportunity to learn more about opportunities in STEAM-related careers as they attended Lockheed Martin's annual "Engineering Day" event on February 28. Students were able to take part in a variety of activity stations and even explored a hangar to learn about aircraft construction.



# French 8 Students Learn about Mardi Gras Traditions

Students in Madame Henyan's French 8 classes had a great time learning about Mardi Gras. They created masks, watched videos about the history of Mardi Gras and enjoyed a king cake. Students also learned that the colors purple, gold and green represent justice, power and faith. Mardi Gras is French for "Fat Tuesday," reflecting on the practice of the last night of eating rich, fatty foods before Lent begins.



# Middle School Students Attend Naturalization Ceremony

On March 27, Principal Attleson and Mrs. Broughton were joined by students, including student council members and eighth grade class officers, to witness a Naturalization Ceremony at the Broome County Supreme Courthouse. The ceremony included over 45 people from more than two dozen countries. Mrs. Carmen Watrous, a teacher aide at CVMS, was among those who received their official Certificate of Citizenship. Students were happy to cheer on her exciting accomplishment, and were grateful to be part of this educational experience!



# **High School**

We are now in the "home stretch" of the school year! Spring sports are in full swing, music concerts are filling our auditorium, and students and staff are working hard to finish STRONG! This is also the time where teachers are reviewing for upcoming finals and Regents exams. Please remind your child that advocating for their education and asking teachers for help is crucial in high school. If a student needs help reviewing a concept, or doesn't understand something, the teachers are more than willing to work with them during class, Warrior Study Hall, or 10th period. Please feel free to reach out to your student's teachers or their guidance counselor if you have any concerns.

Spring is also a perfect time to remind everyone of our dress code. Section VIII of Chenango Valley's Code of Conduct titled "Student Dress Code" states:

A student's dress, grooming and appearance, including hair style/color, jewelry, make-up and nails, shall:

- 1. Be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.
- 2. Recognize that extremely brief garments including but not limited to short shorts, tube tops, net tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, plunging necklines (front and/or back) and see-through garments will not be tolerated.
- 3. Ensure that under-garments are completely covered with outer clothing.
- 4. Include footwear at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed.
- 5. Not include headwear in the building except for a medical or religious purpose or other approved purposes.
- 6. Not include "dog" neck and wrist collars.
- 7. Not include items that are vulgar, obscene, and libelous or denigrate others on account of race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender and sex.
- 8. Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities.
- 9. Not include the wearing of long leather or trench coats of any color.

Thank you for your help with this!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me here at the high school!

# Chenango Valley High School Holds Spring 2019 Pep Rally

Chenango Valley High School held its Spring 2019 Pep Rally on April 12. The event included fun activities such as a dance-off and even a special lip sync presentation by high school teachers and Principal Ostrander to help promote Warrior pride!







Jennifer Ostrander principal, CV High

School

# **YES LEADers Share Presentations at CV Middle School**

Chenango Valley High School YES LEADers presented to Chenango Valley Middle School students on March 22. After thorough research, they shared information about the dangers of vaping. Some groups even included interactive quizzes to test the middle school students' knowledge. The YES LEADers also discussed ways for their younger peers to continue to make safe choices.



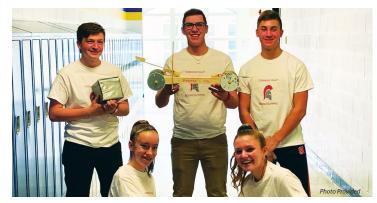




# **High School**

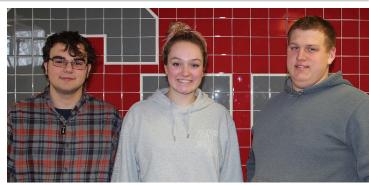
# **CV Science Olympiad Team Demonstrates Skills**

On February 9, the Chenango Valley Science Olympiad team competed against 17 other districts in the regional tournament held at Maine-Endwell Middle School. The students used their knowledge in all branches of science to compete in various events including mousetrap car racing, thermodynamics, circuits and chemistry lab. Most events were done in teams of two and the students spent the months leading up to the competition studying, building and preparing. Excellent job to all the students who participated! We look forward to continuing to grow our program for next year!



# **Students Display Talents in SkillsUSA Competition**

Congratulations to Chenango Valley High School seniors William Blewett, Morgan Jones and Joshua VanBarriger who were Broome-Tioga BOCES winners in the 2019 SkillsUSA Regional Conference at SUNY Morrisville on February 8. William placed first displaying his skills in plumbing, Morgan placed third exhibiting her hair design talents in senior cosmetology and Joshua placed third while showcasing his knowledge in carpentry. They qualified to compete in the New York State SkillsUSA Leadership and Skills Championships at the New York State Fairgrounds in Syracuse from April 24-26!



# **Child Psych Class Visits the Discovery Center**

Students in Mrs. Chavez's child psychology class recently took a field trip to the Discovery Center. The director, Abbey Hendrickson, taught students about the history of the center, and took them on a tour of the facilities and Story Garden. The class also saw the fabrication studio, where planning and production takes place. Students were excited to explore the center to see how it fosters growth and development in children.



# **CVHS Business Club Hosts Dodgeball Tournament**

The eighth annual Chenango Valley High School Business Club Dodgeball Tournament was held in the high school gymnasium on February 28.

Thank you to all who helped to make this event possible, including representatives from the New York National Guard who helped to ref the games!



# **CVHS Students Compete in Chemistry Olympiad**

Four Chenango Valley High School students participated in the Chemistry Olympiad local exam at Binghamton University on March 8. During the event, Jacob Brown, Kyle Ferris, Dominick Lomonaco and Caleb Schwarz took part in a written exam and laboratory practicum. Jacob Brown also qualified to take part in the Chemistry Olympiad national exam at Binghamton University on April 26! According to regional Chemistry Olympiad officials, looking back in records to 2006, this appears to be the first time a Chenango Valley High School student qualified for the National Exam!





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**CV High School Auditorium** 

# **BUDGET HEARING / CANDIDATE FORUM**

# **Meet the School Board Candidates**

May 8 6:00 p.m. Chenango Valley High School Library

The public is invited to meet the two candidates running for two open seats on the Chenango Valley Central School District Board of Education at a Candidates' Forum scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8 in the Chenango Valley High School Library. See information on the board candidates on page 6 of this *Newscaster*. The forum will be followed by the district's budget hearing.

Visit the CV district website for additional budget information: www.cvcsd.stier.org/BudgetTaxInformation1.aspx



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