



2022-23 Annual Report

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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

VETERAN LEADER COMPLETES THIRD YEAR AS SUPERINTENDENT

The 2022-23 school year was one to remember. From the first day of school to the last, our schools were filled with laughter, support and learning. Seeing students reconnect with friends and teachers, parents smiling as they took photos of their children in front of the school and staff energized for the year were some of my favorite moments.

The school spirit throughout the year was evident. The positive school culture experienced by many led us to adopt the hashtag #BVTogether, which celebrated the support from the community, districtwide collaboration and staff-student relationships.

This report highlights many great moments. Blue Valley students consistently achieved remarkable academic outcomes, surpassing state and national benchmarks, demonstrating our commitment to excellence. There are several ways we are measuring performance, and I continue to be proud of our staff for their dedication and the efforts, progress and success of our students.

Families often tell me that our district is the reason why they choose to live and work in our community. Our community's support is unprecedented and was validated again when voters passed a bond election with a final approval rate of 70.69%. Our report includes highlights from the 2020 bond demonstrating we have followed through with our promise to voters. We can't wait to get started on improvements funded by the 2023 bond.

Google the best school district in Kansas for 2023, and you will find Blue Valley's name. We earned the top spot, according to Niche, and ranked among the top districts in the nation. Forbes named Blue Valley the #1 best employer in Kansas. It's been a great year because we have worked together.

Our staff cares so much about the students we serve. The positive school culture each building strives to create is why we rise to the top. Across our campuses, the 2022-23 school year ended as 1,752 students graduated, ushering in another successful graduating class who couldn't have achieved greatness if it weren't for the families, staff and community rallying behind them every step of the way.

Superintendent's Cabinet

Dr. Katie Collier, Deputy Superintendent

Kyle Hayden, Deputy Superintendent

Dr. Mark Schmidt, Assistant Superintendent Special Education

Brian Daley, Chief Information Officer

Kristi McNerlin, Chief Communications Officer

Dr. Eric Punswick, Chief Human Resources Officer

MEET THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PROVIDING LEADERSHIP, VISION AND SUPPORT

2022-23 Board Members

Patrick Hurley, President, Northwest area

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Tom Mitchell, At-large

OUR STRATEGIC PLAN

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND PERSONAL EXCELLENCE CONTINUE TO SURFACE AS IMPORTANT CORNERSTONES FOR BLUE VALLEY

Strategically Agile Systems

- We will create strategically agile systems to fulfill our purpose

Balanced Health and Wellbeing

- We will foster cultures of balanced health and well-being

Extraordinary Educational Opportunities

- We will ensure engaging, meaningful, and extraordinary educational opportunities for all students

Exemplary Educators

- We will assure every Blue Valley student has exemplary educators assisting in their transformation

STRATEGIC GOALS

Strategically Agile Systems

- \$251,250,000 bond referendum passed with over 70% voter approval.
- Successful sale of Series 2023-A bonds.
- Maintained a Aaa stable Moody's credit rating.
- Designed and bid the final Bond 2020 projects.
- Completed construction for the new district Logistics Center for the receiving and distribution of district resources and printing services.
- Developed a boundary adjustment plan to address elementary school capacity issues in the Blue Valley North feeder.
- Led the legislative effort to increase the local Cost of Living authority by 2%, thus providing Blue Valley with additional operating budget authority.
- Structured an operating budget utilizing federal ESSER funding to preserve operating reserves into 2023-24.

Exemplary Educators

- At the end of the 2022-23 academic school year, the district had one of the highest starting teacher salaries in the county and metropolitan area.
- As of June 1, 2023, the district recruited and hired 178 professional staff members. Of the 178, 9% identify as a race other than white, compared to 4.5% of the overall professional staff who identify as a race other than white.
- Through the use of technology, all staff members were provided with flexible professional learning that could be accessed on demand.
- As of June 1, 2023, 204 professional staff members had separated service, compared to 262 the year prior.

Extraordinary Educational Opportunities

- Each school developed a school blueprint with an emphasis on district defined growth measures.

- Each school emphasized Board goals of literacy and mathematics while using defined metrics to measure growth.
- District leaders continued to create momentum and progress around High School Study sub goals.
- Modifications were made in monitoring for growth in the social emotional learning realm.
- Buildings began utilizing eduClimber to quickly monitor student progress and building goal progression.
- District and building strategies to achieve growth measures emphasized:
 - Professional Learning Communities
 - Data & Formative Assessment
 - Instruction & Intervention
 - Culture & Climate
- Average 2% increase in students scoring 3 or 4 on Kansas Assessment Performance (KAP) — Literacy
- Average 5.5% increase on students scoring 3 or 4 on Kansas Assessment Performance (KAP) — Math
- Successfully opened the BV Food Pantry
- 2022-23 Mental Health goals were unable to be measured as a result of the impact of HB 2567 on perception data collection.
- Increased number of students graduating with both a BV high school diploma and associate's degree from JCCC.

BLUE VALLEY BY THE NUMBERS

- 3,067 Employees
- 22,408 Students
- 75% of high school students involved in activities/athletics
- 1,752 class of 2023 graduates
- Ranked #1 Best In-State Employer by Forbes
- 102 Languages
- #1 Top-Ranked School District in Kansas by Niche
- 74% of teachers with Master's Degree or higher
- \$251,250,000 Passed in Bond Funding
- 5 high schools, 21 elementaries, 9 middle schools, and 3 programs
- 90% of parents give teachers an A or B rating
- 11 career ready programs
- Demographics:
 - 68% Caucasian
 - 15.1% Asian
 - 6.9% Hispanic
 - 5.6% Multi-racial
 - 3.95% Black
 - .28% Native American
 - .08% Pacific Islander

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE HAS BEEN A CORNERSTONE OF BLUE VALLEY'S FOUNDATION FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS AND IS CHARACTERIZED BY STUDENTS ACHIEVING AT UNPRECEDENTED LEVELS

97.4% Graduation Rate

23.7 average ACT score

1297 average SAT score

50 National Merit Finalists

- 14 from Blue Valley Northwest
- 12 from Blue Valley North
- 11 from Blue Valley High
- 10 from Blue Valley West
- 3 from Blue Valley Southwest

620 AP Scholars

23 Students with a perfect ACT score of 36

62.8% Market Value Assets

- Market Value Assets are industry valued and recognized skills –like college credit, internships or industry-recognized credentials –that aid in transition from school to post-secondary/workplace.

81.1% Post-Secondary, 5-Year Success Average

Bond 2020

Blue Valley follows through on its promise to voters

Bond 2020 projects were substantially completed in three years, a promise the district made to voters in 2020. This construction management approach completed projects over a shorter timeframe than previous bonds to respond more quickly to an ever-changing educational landscape. The \$186,835,000 no tax rate increase bond was highlighted by projects that reinvested in facilities and technology, reinforced school safety and reimagined learning environments and programs. The signature projects in Bond 2020 included thumb-turn door locks for all classroom doors, flexible learning environments (FLEs) at all elementary schools and a new elementary school in the growing southern portion of the school district.

2020 Bond by the numbers

- 12 classrooms added at Blue Valley High

- 1 school opening Fall 2023
- 19 FLEs completed
- 2,687 classroom thumb-turn door locks installed
- 14 full-building fire alarms replaced
- 150 security cameras replaced
- 210,674 square feet of flooring replaced
- 235,000 square feet of pavement replaced
- 500+ audio/visual system classroom upgrades
- 17K Chromebooks, iPads and MacBooks replaced.
- 13 kitchen coolers and freezers replaced
- 113 HVAC units replaced
- 3.105% interest rate secured for bond funds
- 36,705 square feet multipurpose gym and storm shelter space added at Blue Valley North, Blue Valley High, and Blue Valley Northwest
- 14 theater lighting/rigging/safety improvements at middle and high schools

BOND 2023

FACILITIES. SAFETY. TECHNOLOGY.

THANK YOU FOR INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

During the 2022-23 school year, the Blue Valley community had the opportunity to invest in facilities, safety and technology through a bond election. Over a 12-month public process that included a community survey, the Board of Education and district staff examined the district's needs to develop a bond project list. On January 31, voters endorsed the 2023 bond election by 70.69%. The \$251,250,000 bond will invest in facilities, safety and technology that will benefit students and staff for years to come. The bond results in a no tax rate increase for Blue Valley taxpayers. In planning bond projects, there is a desire to continue to complete projects over a short timeframe to respond quickly to an ever-changing educational landscape. Most projects will be completed in three to four years. On June 12, the Blue Valley Board of Education issued the first bonds from the 2023 bond referendum. The principal amount of bonds sold in the 2023-A series was \$150 million. Nine institutions bid on the bonds, with the low bidder being J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, with a true interest cost of 3.56%. During a rating review, Moody's Investor Services reaffirmed the district's Aaa bond rating, the highest possible rating. Standard and Poor's reaffirmed the district's AA+ bond rating, which is currently the highest rating in Kansas for a school district. The high ratings represent strong financial management and earn the district better interest rates that continue to save the district millions of dollars in interest over time.

FACILITIES

Additions and New Facilities:

- New Middle School
- High School Auxiliary Gyms
- Middle School Multipurpose Additions

Targeted Improvements:

- Career and Technical Education
- Early Childhood Expansion
- Special Education Modifications
- Eliminating Elementary School Mobiles

Upgrades to Aging Facilities:

- Pavement and Exterior
- Flooring
- Mechanical

SAFETY

Updated Safety Systems:

- Fire Alarm
- Security
- Infrastructure

Upgraded Emergency Communications Systems

TECHNOLOGY

Updated Technology:

- Student and Classroom Technology
- Hardware/Software

Upgraded Technology Solutions:

- Infrastructure
- Critical Systems

BLUE VALLEY HIGHLIGHTS

Our District's Story

Blue Valley Today:

- [Fall 2022](#)
- [Winter 2022](#)
- [Spring 2023](#)
- [Summer 2023](#)

The Learning Connection:

[Blue Valley students find joy, wonder and beauty in math](#)

[What does literacy look like in Blue Valley?](#)

[Q&A: Assessments in literacy](#)

[How do assessments in Blue Valley lead to student academic success?](#)

[Heart of the school: Blue Valley libraries vital to student success, well-being, and collaboration](#)

[Mentoring program uncovers new educators' strengths, develops compassionate teachers](#)

[Q&A: Assessments in Blue Valley](#)

Featured Videos:

[Student Spotlight: BVNW Senior Elijah Henderson](#)

[BV's Noor Haideri Wins 2023 Breakthrough Junior Challenge](#)

[BV Unmuted](#)

DISTRICT CELEBRATIONS

Leading the way

#1 Best School District and Best Teachers in the State of Kansas by Niche:

- Niche's 2023 Best Schools in America rankings confirm that Blue Valley and its teachers continue to be the best in the state. The district and its teachers topped Best School District and District with the Best Teachers lists in Kansas.

\$683K in grants:

- The Blue Valley Educational Foundation Surprise Squad awarded a record \$683K in grants to teachers and buildings across the district.

Top 1% nationally:

- Blue Valley is in the top 1% of districts ranked nationally. There are 13,000 school districts in the United States. Blue Valley earned the 69th spot according to Niche.

2023 U.S. News and World Report:

- CAPS Network is one of 10 organizations from the United States that made the 2023 HundrED Global Collection.

2022 Kansans Can Star Recognition Awards

- Blue Valley was honored at the 2022 Kansans Can Star Recognition awards program. Honors include bronze awards in Social-Emotional Growth and Academically Prepared for Graduation, gold awards in Graduation and Postsecondary Effectiveness, and a commissioner's award with honors.

STAFF CELEBRATIONS

Exemplary Educators

- Blue Valley CAPS instructor Eric Kessler was named a Master Teacher by the Kansas Association of Biology Teachers.
- Overland Trail Elementary's Katie Karst and Blue Valley Southwest's Brandon Hawks were named Blue Valley's elementary and secondary nominees for Kansas Teacher of the Year.

- Polly Blair of Wolf Springs Elementary was named the 2022-23 Outstanding Elementary Art Educator of the Year.
- Kaci Brutto, director of communications, was presented with the Kansas School Public Relations Association's 2022 Distinguished Service Award.
- Retired Blue Valley High School baseball coach Tony Scardino was inducted into the Kansas Association of Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame.
- Blue Valley Northwest and Harmony Middle orchestra teacher Mike Arbucci is the 2022-23 ECKMEA Outstanding High School Orchestra Educator.
- Matt Christensen, Blue Valley Southwest social studies teacher, and Misty Dimitt, Liberty View Elementary first grade teacher, were Blue Valley's candidates for the Kansas Master Teacher Award. Christensen was selected as one of seven Master Teachers from across the state.
- Elyssa Gavin, an ESOL teacher at Oxford Middle, received her National Board Certification. This is the highest and most respected certification a teacher may obtain.
- Blue Valley High School Latin teacher Jordan Dillon was named a 2023 Horizon Award winner. This award identifies and recognizes representatives of excellent teaching in the elementary and secondary classrooms across the state.
- The 2023 Innovative Educator Awards, presented by the Blue Valley Educational Foundation, were awarded to Kelley Tuel and Chris Ollig. The annual grants, funded by donors Deb Grimes and Ken Selzer, celebrate innovative teaching methods to engage students.
- CAPS instructor Mike Farmer was the grand prize winner in Henry Ford's Innovation Nation Teacher Innovator Awards sponsored by Raytheon Technologies. The award recognizes those who inspire students to take risks, learn from failure and stay curious.
- Blue Valley North's Kelli Kurle was awarded the District 3 Athletic Director of the Year by The Kansas Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association.
- Overland Trail Elementary counselor Emily Harsch received the Promise Award from the Kansas School Counselor Association.
- Blue Valley North business teacher Allison Gossick was named the 2023 Kansas FBLA Advisor of the Year.

STUDENT CELEBRATIONS

Unprecedented Academic Success

- Noor Haideri, Blue Valley High junior, is the winner of the eighth annual Breakthrough Junior Challenge, a global science video competition designed to inspire creative thinking and communications skills around fundamental concepts in the life sciences, physics and mathematics. Noor will receive a \$250,000 college scholarship. Her inspirational teacher will receive a \$50,000 prize. The prize also includes the installation of a state-of-the-art science lab at Blue Valley High.
- Blue Valley West was one of 17 schools statewide to be recognized by KSHSAA as a Performing Arts School of Excellence.

- Blue Valley High students, Aiden Cobos and Brianna Marshall, earned academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Programs. These programs grant undergraduate students with academic honors that help them connect with colleges and stand out during the admissions process.
- Elizabeth Place and Luke Chen, Blue Valley North seniors, were among only 161 students named 2023 U.S. Presidential Scholars. The program recognizes the nation's most distinguished high school seniors for their academic success, artistic excellence, leadership and demonstrated commitment to high ideals. Twenty-seven seniors were named candidates in the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.
- Every fall, the AP Program recognizes high school students who have demonstrated outstanding college-level achievement through their performance on multiple AP Exams. This year, 571 Blue Valley students were recognized, with 206 as AP Scholars and 121 as AP Scholars with Honor.
- The National Scholastic Press Association named the Blue Valley Northwest Yearbook The Express one of 19 National Pacemaker winners for strong design and storytelling. Blue Valley Northwest's Sabrina San Agustin was named the National Designer of the Year.
- Blue Valley High student, Emily Clausen, achieved an extremely rare feat on last spring's AP United States History exam. She not only received the top score of five, but was also one of only nine students (or 0.002% of all exam takers) from around the world to earn every point possible on this challenging, college-level examination.
- Blue Valley High's Chorale competed at the Barbershop Harmony Society National Youth Chorus Festival and took 1st place overall to make them the National Champions. Their performance of Radiohead's "Creep" won the Audience Favorite Award.
- Blue Valley North and Pleasant Ridge Middle won the state title in Science Olympiad.
- Twenty Blue Valley Students were recognized as the top 1% of Kansas' senior class with the 2023 Governor's Scholars Award: Audrey Che, Janna Goodman, Nancy Pei and Joaquin Toro of Blue Valley High; Rahul Chavali, Rima Chavali, Luke Chen and Michael Mayo of Blue Valley North; Naveen Kannan, Arav Pant, Saketh Pradhan and Sophia Zhao of Blue Valley West; Andrew Cho, Tanay Dunthuluri, Rick Li and David Wen of Blue Valley Northwest; and Kanika Radadiya, Vishal Rajkumar, Harvin Sandhu and Jedrick Wilson of Blue Valley Southwest.
- Lukas Haase, Blue Valley Southwest's senior student body president, received a nomination from Representative Sharice Davids to attend the Air Force Academy and a nomination from Senator Roger Marshall to attend West Point. Haase decided to attend West Point, which only accepts 9% of applicants.
- Eight students advanced to the national competition for The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Program. These students include Kateryna Syniavska for Photography, Blue Valley West; Lisa Biswas for Digital Art, Blue Valley North; Rhea Sadagopan for Drawing and Illustration, Blue Valley North; Siena Masilionis for Drawing & Illustration, Blue Valley North; Michaela Morasch for Art Portfolio, Blue Valley High; Madison Urbanek for Jewelry and Mixed Media, Blue Valley High, Alex Dean for Photography, Blue Valley High.

- Twenty-three students scored a perfect score of 36 on the ACT: David Mick, Blue Valley Southwest; Reese Burgener, Blue Valley Southwest; Caleb Deng, Blue Valley North; Noor Haideri, Blue Valley High; Aiden Juhl, Blue Valley North; Edward Mu, Blue Valley North; Nickan Safi, Blue Valley High; Quinten Schafer, Blue Valley North; Soumya Takalkar, Blue Valley West; Avery Vogel, Blue Valley West; Megan Wang, Blue Valley Northwest; Harvin Sandhu, Blue Valley Southwest; Parker Toman, Blue Valley Southwest; Luke Wen-Tsu Chen, Blue Valley North, Mofei Wang, Blue Valley Northwest; Shishir Vargheese, Blue Valley West; Eric Garretson, Blue Valley North; Jonathan Subramanian, Blue Valley North; Kayoko Thornton, Blue Valley North; Eddy Jiang, Blue Valley High; Eric Seo, Blue Valley West; Nancy Pei, Blue Valley High; Ellie Lim, Blue Valley North.
- Blue Valley Northwest senior Grant Stubblefield repeated as the Class 6A player of the year. He has committed to Division I University of Nebraska-Omaha basketball.
- Seven Blue Valley students were honored with scholarships by the Shooting Stars Program created by The Arts Council of Johnson County: Patty Morales, Blue Valley North; Mira Becker, Blue Valley West; Audrey Roberts, Blue Valley Northwest, Tess Vanberg, Blue Valley High; Sophia Volovoy, Blue Valley Northwest; Lisa Ji, Blue Valley West; Brynn Friesen, Blue Valley High. These awards help promote the positive impact arts education has on students by providing students with resources to achieve creative goals.
- Timber Creek Elementary PTA was one of four PTAs in Kansas named a National PTA School of Excellence.
- Twenty-two Blue Valley students were awarded scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation: Andrew Cho, Blue Valley Northwest; Rohan Desai, Blue Valley Northwest; Gavin Goldston, Blue Valley Northwest; Rick Li, Blue Valley Northwest; Adam Koehler, Blue Valley Northwest; Abbie Kratofil, Blue Valley Northwest; Bryce Stoddard, Blue Valley Northwest; Henry William, Blue Valley Northwest; David Han, Blue Valley West; Lisa Ji, Blue Valley West; Chinmayee Magesh, Blue Valley West; Nathan Bronson, Blue Valley North; Luke Chen, Blue Valley North; Tommy Gaffney, Blue Valley North; Leah Helfer, Blue Valley North; Prabhav Pagadala, Blue Valley North; Kendall Bub, Blue Valley High; Emily Clausen, Blue Valley High; Ben Parrack, Blue Valley High; Nancy Pei, Blue Valley High; Christian Vaz, Blue Valley High; Parker Toman, Blue Valley Southwest.
- Blue Valley West junior, Madison Coyne, represented Kansas at the 61st annual United States Senate Youth Program Washington Week. Coyne was selected from among the state's top student leaders to be part of the 104-student national delegation.
- Blue Valley High won the Business Professionals of America state championship.
- Several Blue Valley students were national champions in the Business Professionals of America (BPA) National Leadership Conference: Mason Chidlow, Blue Valley High; Alex Diaz, Blue Valley High; Eddy Jiang, Blue Valley High; Rishabh Barve, Blue Valley West; Johnny Perkins, Blue Valley High.
- CAPS students took home the top three places in the high division of the Kansas City Invention Convention: Grayson Moyer, 1st place, and Best in Show for "Aspen Cooler"; Charles Olm-Shipman, 2nd place, and Future Shaper honor for "Snowpack"; and John Beemer, 3rd place for "Trailer Buddy".

- SDE has recognized 115 Blue Valley students representing 11 different languages with the Kansas Seal of Biliteracy. This achievement recognizes any student who has attained proficiency in English and one or more other world languages.
- Two CAPS students received scholarships from the Overland Park South Rotary Club: Nathan Binshtok, Blue Valley West; and Lauren Weiss, Blue Valley Southwest.
- Five Blue Valley seniors were named 2023 Kansas City Star scholar athletes: Genevieve Jarrell, Blue Valley High; Blake Garrett, Blue Valley North; Aidan Behymer, Blue Valley Northwest; Micah Paschke, Blue Valley Southwest; Caroline Orr, Blue Valley West.
- Eleanor Warren, Blue Valley High, and Elizabeth Place, Blue Valley North, were among 1,557 students selected from over 91,000 applicants for the 2023 Coca-Cola Scholar Semifinalists.
- Blue Valley had the most National Merit semifinalists of any district in the state of Kansas with 50 Blue Valley seniors recognized with the honor. Seniors who achieved this feat represent less than 1% of high school seniors.
- Blue Valley North's Sriam Srinivasa Kalki earned the overall top score at Washburn University's annual Math Day and helped Blue Valley North place first in the 6A team awards.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES CHAMPIONSHIPS

Limitless Opportunities

6A Girls' Basketball

- Blue Valley North

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- Blue Valley Northwest

5A Boys' Cross Country

- Blue Valley Southwest

5A Dance

- Blue Valley Southwest

6A Cheer

- Blue Valley High

6A Scholars Bowl

- Blue Valley North

6A Boys' Swim and Dive

- Blue Valley North

5A Girls' Swim and Drive

- Blue Valley Southwest

6A Boys' Tennis

- Blue Valley West

5A Debate

- Blue Valley Southwest

6A Baseball

- Blue Valley West

Band

- Kansas Bandmasters — Blue Valley High

Individual State Champions

- 6A Boys' Swim and Dive: Medley Relay — John Christianson, Demarkus Darensbourg, Micah Churchill and Adam Koehler, Blue Valley Northwest; 100-yard butterfly — Micah Churchill, Blue Valley Northwest; 500-yard freestyle — Will Christie, Blue Valley Northwest; 100-yard breaststroke — Will Christie, Blue Valley West; 400-yard free relay — Alec Lopez, Wilson Riekhof, Jack Munro and Michael Mayo, Blue Valley North
- 6A Forensics: Informative Speaking, and Oration — Rishabh Barve, Blue Valley West; International Extemp — Ava Aslinia, Blue Valley High; United States Extemp — Molly James, Blue Valley High
- 6A Boys' Tennis: Singles Champion — CJ Smith, Blue Valley North; Doubles Champion — Akki Poojari and David Han, Blue Valley West
- 6A Boys' Track: 100m — Alonzo Morgan, Blue Valley North; 4x800 — Prabhav Pagadala, Merritt Gregory, Henry Edgeller and Trenton Sandler, Blue Valley North
- 5A Girls' Track: 800m and 1600m — Izzy Ross, Blue Valley Southwest
- 6A Girls' Track: 800m — Emma Baum, Blue Valley West; 4x100 and 4x400 — Delia Gregory, Alli Kneller, Audrey Brown and Ella Shafer, Blue Valley North

- 6A Girls' Swim and Dive: 100-yard breaststroke and 200-individual medley with state record times — Annika Finzen, Blue Valley West; 100 backstroke — Sophia Paduano, Blue Valley Northwest; 1m dive — Claire Garrelts, Blue Valley Northwest
- 5A Girls' Swim and Dive: 200-yard freestyle — Willow Weninger, Blue Valley Southwest; 100-yard freestyle — Presley Baber, Blue Valley Southwest; 200-yard freestyle relay — Jess Heise, Miriam Hill, Willow Weninger and Presley Baber, Blue Valley Southwest; 400-yard freestyle relay — Willow Weninger, Miriam Hill, Sophia Sponseller and Presley Baber, Blue Valley Southwest

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Fiscal Responsibility. Thoughtful Stewardship.

During the 2022-23 school year, Blue Valley served 22,827 students with total operating expenses of \$223 million. The district mill levy decreased by 4.097 mills from the previous year. The components of this mill levy and assessed valuation are listed below. To put this into more individual terms, the owner of a \$500,000 home in the Blue Valley School District paid \$3,063 in taxes to support schools in 2022, down from \$3,345 in 2021.

Operating Revenue

State Aid- \$145,400,000
 Local Taxes- \$60,100,000
 Federal Aid- \$19,100,000
 User Charges/Reimb- \$9,400,000

Operating Expenditures

Certified Salaries- \$124,200,000
 Classified Salaries- \$36,400,000
 Benefits/Payroll Tax- \$33,800,000
 Utilities- \$8,700,000
 Transportation- \$7,900,000
 Contract Services- \$6,400,000
 Other Operating- \$5,600,000

Blue Valley Mill Levy

General- 20,000
 Supplemental General LOB- 11,998
 Capital Outlay- 8,000
 Bond and Interest- 12,600
 Special Assessment- 0.200

Special Liability- 0.297
Extraordinary Growth- 0.150
Cost of Living- 1.625

Total- 54.870

Blue Valley Assessed Valuation

Real Estate- \$3,804,612,837
Personal Property- \$9,470,053
State Assessed Utilities- \$56,977,272

Total- \$3,871,060,162

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Blue Valley School District, committed to reimagining learning and changing the world, is to ensure life readiness and personal excellence for all students

through a school culture characterized by exemplary educators, safe and inclusive environments, an atmosphere that fosters creativity and meaningful educational opportunities to maximize the potential of all.

