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ALL SCHOOL NEWS

BVW Theatre Winter Musical - Informational Meeting & Auditions

BVW Theatre will present the classic musical INTO THE WOODS February 15-17. Auditions will be held November 27-29 and are open to any BVWHS student. [For more information, click here.](#)

Civility Policy

We are thankful for the ongoing partnership and support we experience in our school community. Working together we ensure the best possible student experience allowing them to realize personal success. There are times, however, when issues arise which require our continued collaboration to resolve. Families may utilize the matrix linked on [the district website](#) to best address questions and concerns that may arise throughout the course of a school year. Finally, all staff and visitors should conduct their business free from intimidation, harassment, or bullying. The district's Board of Education states expectations regarding civility within [Policy 6341](#). Again, thank you for your partnership in helping to maintain a safe school community environment for all.

SENIOR NEWS CLASS OF 2024

Graduation Cap and Gown Orders

[Order Now!](#)

Order by December 1.

- Class of 2024 Apparel and Accessories will be available for pick up in the office, 1-2 weeks after order is placed.
- Grad Announcements will come in just after Spring Break (exact date/location TBD)
- Cap, Gown & Tassel will be handed out in May, prior to Graduation Rehearsal
- Class Rings will be available for pick up in the main office 10-12 weeks after order is placed.



BLUE VALLEY WEST HIGH SCHOOL

ORDER YOUR GRADUATION ESSENTIALS!

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Local Scholarship Opportunities

Click [here](#) to review the Scholarship Presentation or to see a list of local scholarships.



Rudd Scholarship Opportunity

The Rudd Scholarship is Now Open!

Don't miss your chance at a full-ride scholarship up to \$100,000 to attend Emporia State, Fort Hays State, K-State and Wichita State University.

To review the requirements and start your application visit: <https://ruddfoundation.org/how-to-apply>



FAFSA - stay tuned!

The FAFSA form will be available in December this year

ATHLETICS NEWS

[BVW Athletic website](#) / [Eastern Kansas League](#)

[Activity Season Passes](#)

Activities and Athletics Message

We are excited to have your families come to support our high school activities and athletics this school year. It is great to see the entire community at these events. It is imperative that our parent community partner with us as we work to encourage a positive atmosphere for our high school games or events.

- Sportsmanship/officials: We want to give our student athletes the opportunity to play as many games as possible and we need officials to make those games happen. With a local and national shortage of officials, we want to make sure officials continue to choose to work Blue Valley events. The number one way we can create a welcoming environment is for spectators, coaches and student athletes to be courteous and respect the official's decisions.
- Tailgating: Tailgating before games has become a tradition for many students and families. We love to see our community gathering together to enjoy food and tailgate games in our parking lots. As a reminder, alcohol and tobacco are not allowed on district property including parking lots. Outside food and drink is not permitted inside the gates except for unopened water bottles. Please visit the concession stands and support our school groups!

Thank you for your help in making our district events a great experience for all who attend. We hope to see your family cheering for our Blue Valley teams this school year.

COUNSELING

[Counseling canvas page](#)

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS AND OBSERVANCES



Some November Celebrations & Observances:

- **Native American Heritage Month** - celebrates the rich and diverse cultures, traditions, histories, and ongoing contributions of Indigenous peoples.
 - **Military Family Appreciation Month** - honors the military family by recognizing their sacrifices and commitments.
 - **Day of the Dead** - November 1 - celebrated by some with Mexican heritage, a joyful time to remember and honor deceased loved ones.
 - **All Saints Day** - November 1 - celebrated by some of the Christian faith, this solemn, holy day honors the saints of the church.
 - **Diwali** - November 12-16 - the festival of lights celebrates the triumph of light over darkness, good over evil, and the human ability to overcome observed by some Hindus, Jains, Sikhs, Buddhists, and others. Some will decorate their homes with lights and rangoli art, exchange gifts, dress in colorful clothing, feast with family, and/or go to temple.
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Blue Valley West

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