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ALLSCHOOL NEWS

Crimson Cats Dance Team Spring Show

Come watch the BVW Crimson Cats Dance Team perform in their Spring Show on Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased here.

Prom 2024

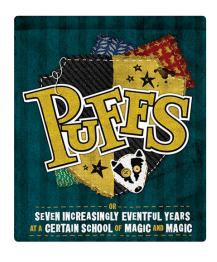
Juniors and Seniors! You're invited to this year's Prehistoric Prom on April 13 from 8:30-10:30pm at the Museum at Prairiefire. Join us for a night to remember. <u>Click here to purchase tickets</u>.

If you are bringing an outside guest, <u>click here</u> to download the Guest Form.



Repertory Theatre Show - Puffs

BVW Repertory Theatre presents *Puffs*! For seven years a certain boy wizard went to a certain Wizard School and conquered evil. This, however, is not his story. This is the story of the Puffs... who just happened to be there too. A tale for anyone who has never been destined to save the world. This clever and inventive play gives you a new look at a familiar adventure from the perspective of three potential heroes just trying to make it through a magic school. Alongside



them are the Puffs, a group of well-meaning, loyal outsiders with a thing for badgers "who are so lovable and relatable, you'll leave the theater wishing they were in the stories all along" (Hollywood Life). Their "hilariously heartfelt!" (Metro) and epic journey takes the classic story to new places and reimagines what a boy wizard hero can be.

Show Dates: Friday, March 29 and Saturday, March 30

Show Time: 7:00 pm Tickets: \$10.00

All seats are general admission. Click here to purchase tickets

Upcoming Event: Rumble Strips- Recognizing Signs of Addiction

All BV parents, grandparents, and adult caregivers are invited to the BV Drug and Alcohol Prevention Task Force's Annual Community Event which will focus on addiction in youth and adolescents. This event will be at Hilltop on April 2, 6-7:30 pm. There is no cost but registration is required. Click here to view the flyer and to register.

Run for Student Council

Are you interested in leadership, school service, and fundraising? Do you like to solve problems with creative solutions? Run for Student Council! Students interested in Student Council should plan to attend one of two informational meetings on April 14 (see attachment).

Streaming on District Devices

In an effort to reduce distractions in the learning environment for all of our students, **beginning on March 19, 2024**, **all high school students will have streaming services blocked on district devices (examples include: Netflix, Hulu, HBO Max, Prime Video etc.).** YouTube, Spotify and Apple Music will still be allowed.

Enrollment for Virtual Summer Courses Open Now

Enrollment for Blue Valley Summer Programs opens at 8 a.m. March 18 and closes 4 p.m. April 3. These programs include virtual courses for credit, such as Business Essentials or Physical Education. Additional information about Summer Programs, including a high school virtual course catalog, can be found at www.bluevalleyk12.org/summerprograms.

SENIOR NEWS Class of 2024

Class Day/Graduation Interpretation Services

If you or a guest plan to attend class day or graduation, and need an ASL interpreter, please email Lauren Botticella at ljbotticella@bluevalleyk12.org by May 1, 2024. Please note that graduation will be livestreamed with live captioning.

Senior Slideshow Submissions

Dear Parents of the Class of 2024,

We are so excited to say that graduation is soon! As graduation nears, there are some traditions that your Blue Valley West Student Council is seeking to uphold, one of these being the Class Day Slideshow!

The Class Day Slideshow typically features pictures of the graduating class and one slide for each student containing their name, a current photo, a baby photo, and their future plans! In order to accurately collect this information, we are sending out a form to the seniors and their parents to fill out.

The only way to fill out the form is through a Blue Valley email so we are asking that parents sit down with their students and fill this out together! **We are asking that all forms be submitted by April 5th, 2024** so that we have ample time to compile the pictures! We look forward to seeing all of the submissions! Here is a link to the form!

-Blue Valley West Student Council

Senior Class Day Performer and Speaker Auditions

Auditions are April 9 and 11. Check out the Senior Event Guide for the sign-up link.

Pay Senior Activity Fee

Click <u>here</u> to pay senior fees. The PTO uses these fees for the Senior Picnic and the Senior lunch/Class Day Rehearsal.

PTO Scholarship

Applications are due on March 29 and recipients will be announced on Class Day. <u>Click here</u> to review the requirements and <u>click here</u> to download the application.



Father's Club Scholarship

Applications are due by April 22. <u>Click here to access the Application Portal</u>.

Must Order Now! Graduation Cap and Gown

ORDER HERE!

- Class of 2024 Apparel and Accessories will be available for pick up in the office, 1-2 weeks after order is placed.
- Grad Announcements are available in the main office, for pickup.
- 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.

Senior Event Guide

Spring Semester is a busy time for seniors! Check out the <u>Senior Event Guide</u> for all the upcoming dates and deadlines.

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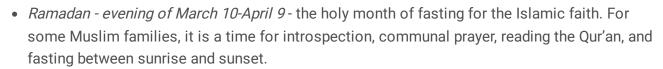
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Community Celebrations and Observances



Some March Celebrations & Observances:

- Women's History Month recognizes the achievements and contributions of women to society, culture, and American history.
 Women's History Month coincides with International Women's Day on March 8.
- World Teen Mental Wellness Day March 2 aims to raise awareness and decrease the stigma of mental health issues among teenagers.



- Holy Week and Easter Sunday March 24-March 31 includes the Christian holidays of Palm Sunday, Maundy (Holy) Thursday, and Good Friday. Some families will attend church services to commemorate the week leading to the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.
- Holi March 25 known as the Hindu festival of colors, Holi honors the triumph of good over evil and marks the beginning of Spring. Some families will light bonfires, throw colorful powder called gulal, eat sweets, and dance to traditional music.



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