



# Jaguar Journal

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## ALL SCHOOL NEWS

### 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 Opens March 18

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](http://www.bluevalleyk12.org/summerprograms).

### 2nd Semester Course Fees

The course fees for the second semester have been posted. Fees are assigned based on your student's enrollment, and not all courses will have associated fees. To check if your student is enrolled in a class with associated course fees, log in to [ParentVUE](#). If you have any questions regarding course fees, please contact our main office at 913-239-3700 and ask to speak to Ms. Chavez, our bookkeeper.

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## SENIOR NEWS Class of 2024

## 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

## Pay Senior Activity Fee

Click [here](#) 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. [Click here](#) to review the requirements and [click here](#) to download the application.

## 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 will be distributed on March 19 & 20, during lunches. There is a limited supply remaining so order now!
- 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!**

Herff Jones is the official provider of your Cap & Gown, Custom Graduation Announcements, Class of 2024 Apparel and Class Rings! Don't miss the chance to celebrate your accomplishments and commemorate your upcoming graduation. Congratulations Class of 2024!

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## Senior Event Guide

Spring Semester is a busy time for seniors! Check out the [Senior Event Guide](#) for all the upcoming dates and deadlines.

# ATHLETICS NEWS

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## COUNSELING



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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.
- *Ramadan - evening of March 10-April 9* - the holy month of fasting for the Islamic faith. For some Muslim families, it is a time for introspection, communal prayer, reading the Qur'an, and fasting between sunrise and sunset.
- *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.



## Blue Valley West

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