

Blue Valley Northwest

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Message from Dr. David Sharp

Greetings, Husky Families

Thanks for a great week and have a great weekend!

Your Partner in Education,

David

David Sharp, Ed.D
Principal, BVNW



Weekly Schedule - NOVEMBER

Block/Traditional Schedule 2023-24					
Odd Block	Even Block	Traditional	Testing	No Students - PL	No School

November			1	2	3
	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	

2023-2024 Bell Schedule

 <h1>BVNW BELL SCHEDULE</h1>	
2023 - 2024	Odd Day Monday / Wednesday
	1st hour 7:35-9:05 3rd hour 9:10-10:40 AST 10:40-11:10 5th hour 11:15-1:10 1st lunch 11:15-11:40 2nd lunch 12:00-12:25 3rd lunch 12:45-1:10 7th hour 1:15-2:45
	Even Day Tuesday / Thursday
	2nd hour 8:35-10:05 4th hour 10:10-12:05 1st lunch 10:10-10:35 2nd lunch 10:55-11:20 3rd lunch 11:40-12:05 Advisory 12:10-12:40 AST 12:40-1:10 6th hour 1:15-2:45
	Trad. Day Friday
	1st hour 7:35-8:28 2nd hour 8:33-9:26 3rd hour 9:31-10:24 4th hour 10:29-11:22 5th hour 11:27-12:49 1st lunch 11:27-11:52 2nd lunch 11:55-12:20 3rd lunch 12:24-12:49 6th hour 12:54-1:47 7th hour 1:52-2:45
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Bell Schedule 2023-24

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NHS Food Drive Nov. 2-Nov. 16 - Advisory Class Competition!



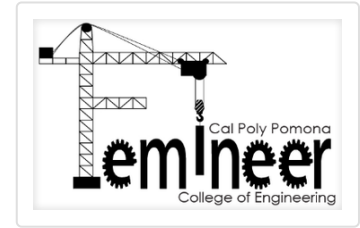
National Honor Society is hosting a Food Drive to benefit BV Food Panty. All BVNW students are encouraged to participate. We will be accepting non-perishable donations Nov 2 – Nov 16.

Students will bring their donations to their Advisory classes. The class that collects the most items will receive a prize from NHS.

All NHS members are encouraged to either bring 4 items or volunteer to collect items during AST as this will count towards their required November sponsored project. Specific items of need include canned fruit, canned veggies, canned peaches, canned pineapple, fruit cups and

applesauce in addition to boxed non-perishables. If we all work together, we can fill the pantry!!!

Femineer Program application due date is November 13



Blue Valley is excited to start a new cohort of Femineers this 2023-2024 academic year. The Femineer Program was created to empower K-12 female students to develop the skills and confidence needed to pursue majors and careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) fields. It has expanded to include other under-represented individuals in these fields.

If you are interested in joining the program and have the qualifications, please [DOWNLOAD](#) and fill out this application, **scan it and return it to the Femineer Program advisor Karen Stohlmann at khenderson@bluevalleyk12.org**



Message from the BVNW Nurse regarding immunizations

Attention all parents - Please watch your mail for a notice of immunizations needed from the nurse's office. Students without proper immunizations or exclusions will **not** be able to attend school for the second semester. Please email our school nurse, Haley Murkin at hnmurkin@bluevalleyk12.org with updated immunization records and any questions.

Reserve your tickets to the Pack Dance Team Chicken N Pickle night - November 8



BV Hoops Pickleball Tournament & Game Night is Nov. 8

PICKLEBALL

TOURNAMENT & GAME NIGHT

NOV. 8 5-8 PM
@ **CHICKEN N' PICKLE**

Join us for an evening of fun and help support our
2023 Class 6A State Boys Basketball Champions



REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY
bit.ly/NWHoopsPickleTournament
2 PERSON TEAM: \$100
Two skill-level divisions, Cash prize for winning teams,
Best Team Name award, Best Dressed Team award

SILENT AUCTION
Autographed jerseys, Staycation getaway, Wellness package, and more!

Event sponsorship opportunities still available.
bit.ly/NWHoopsPickleSponsor

Hosted by
BVNW HOOPS



Learn what it takes to play college sports on November 9

WANT TO PLAY COLLEGE SPORTS?

November 9, 2023 7 pm

Blue Valley High PAC

**Open to Blue Valley School District High School age students
and their parents/guardians**

**Learn what it takes to earn
NCAA/NAIA/NJCAA Eligibility**

November 18 - Support the BVNW Cheer Squad at State!

**COME SUPPORT THE BVNW
CHEER SQUAD AT STATE!**

FIGHT SONG- 5:00 PM

CHEER- 5:58 PM

BAND CHANT- 7:00 PM

**FINALISTS ANNOUNCED-
7:45 PM**

NOVEMBER 18TH

**LOCATION: TOPEKA
STORMONT VAIL EVENTS
CENTER**



ACT Prep Class is Nov. 20

While not affiliated with or endorsed by BVNW, we wanted to let you know that there is an **ACT prep class** being offered at **Blue Valley Hilltop Conference Center** (7700 W 143rd St, Overland Park, KS 66223) on Monday, **Nov. 20, from 8:30 am to 2:10 pm**. BVNW students register here:

<http://actprep.info/bluevalleynw>

Pup Pack Dance Clinic is December 2 - Registration deadline is Nov. 18!



Student IDs - Make sure ID has been downloaded to phones

Husky students,

Your **2023-24 Student ID** is now accessible on your phone! Below please find the instructions to access your student ID. *(Parents, thank you for making certain your student has done this.)*

Please note-all IDs will be digital this year, meaning we will only be printing hard copies of IDs if you have extenuating circumstances.

Students will now need this ID to enter the building during school hours. We will no longer accept your StudentVUE or Canvas accounts.



If you have any questions or problems, see Mrs. Tavelli in the student services office, call her at (913)-239-3448 or email her at JATavelli@bluevalleyk12.org.

Instructions to access your ID:

1. USE the QR CODE or access this URL: <https://bit.ly/BVNWID23> ****Make sure you use all capital letters.***
2. Follow the prompts to enter your name, student ID number, and create a password.
3. Save the URL for your ID in your phone or take a screenshot and save it to your phone.

Updated December Finals Schedule and Final Exam Guidelines

There has been a change to our finals schedule from what was previously communicated in our Parent Newsletter. Please use [this updated finals schedule](#).

What changed is that ***our hour 3 final is on the first day of finals*** (Monday, December 18th) to give students more time to study for 3 finals in the week/weekend leading up to the 18th. On the 19th and 20th, students will only have 2 finals to study for each day.

BVNW DECEMBER 2023 FINALS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18TH:

HOUR 1 - 7:35-8:55

HOUR 2 - 9:05-10:25

HOUR 3 - 10:35-11:55

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19TH:

HOUR 4 - 7:35-8:55

HOUR 5 - 9:05-10:25

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH:

HOUR 6 - 7:35-8:55

HOUR 7 - 9:05-10:25



Final Exam Guidelines

First Semester Final Exams are December 18th, 19th, & 20th. Please note that students are dismissed from school early these 3 days (please see the finals schedule for details). These are important days for students to be at school to successfully finish 1st semester. Here are the final exam guidelines:

*A culminating activity (final exam, unit exam, final paper, final project or reflection of learning) will be given in **all** classes. Students will be advised of the format to be used in each class by their teacher. No final exams will be given early (before December 18th, 2023) without administrative approval. If a student must miss a final due to illness or a prearranged absence, they will be required to make it up when they return (no later than January 19th).*

Finals & Prearranged Absences

If your student will miss some or all of their 1st semester finals due to a prearranged trip or absence, they must see Mrs. Tavelli in Student Services for a **Final Exam Alternate Date Form**. Students will use this form to make arrangements with their teachers to take their final when they return from winter break, as no finals are given early due to test security. The form should be returned to Mrs. Tavelli, prior to the start of their absence.

If a student misses their December final, they will have an incomplete in the course until the final is made up. **All finals must be made up by January 19th.** If a student does not make up a final, they will earn a zero on the final, which will impact their final grade in the course.

Community Celebrations and Observances - to promote awareness and appreciation of our Blue Valley families



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.



Upcoming Key Calendar events



NOV.

- Nov. 2-16 - NHS Food Drive /advisory classes
- Nov. 8 - National Letter of Intent Signing Day
- Nov. 8 - Pack Dance Team Chicken 'N Pickle night
- Nov. 8 - BV Hoops Pickleball Tournament & Game night



NOV.

- Nov. 13 - Femineers applications due
- Nov. 18 - Cheer state competition
- Nov. 20 - ACT Prep Class
- **Nov. 20-24 - NO SCHOOL** (Thanksgiving Break)



DEC.

- Dec. 2 - Pup Pack Dance Clinic (registration deadline Nov. 18)
- Dec. 18, 19, 20 - Final exams

Counseling News - November 3

Where to find helpful information & resources

[BVNW Counseling Canvas](#)

[BVNW Academic Resources](#)

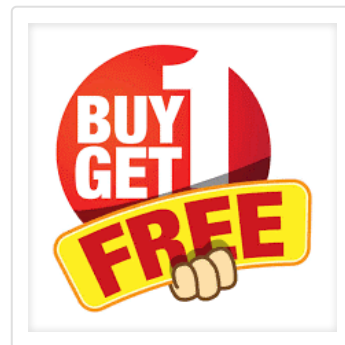
[@bvnwcounseling](#)

Career Exploration Resources for students

Kansas Apply Free Days November 7-9

ACT testing sale!

For a limited time, ACT is offering students the opportunity to get a free ACT registration. The student must register and pay for the December 9 test date. The student then will receive a discount code to be used for a free registration. The code must be used by January 31, 2024 to register for February 10, April 13, June 8 or July 13.



The following link has all of the details.

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/register-for-the-act.html>



[Check out](#) this resource for parents, created by parents, to help support your digital parenting journey with your children.

Families Mj-Se

Students with last names Mj-Se: Your counselor, Mrs. Keller, is now on maternity leave. Mrs. Waters, her long-term substitute, is available for you in the counseling office if you need anything. Her email is CWaters@bluevalleyk12.org

ACT/SAT registration (must self-register for national dates)

[ACT Dates/Registration](#)

[SAT Dates/Registration](#)

Which test should you take SAT vs. ACT? [Here](#)

****Attention Juniors & Seniors – these new college visits have been added:****

- Texas Tech University – November 7 @ 9:00

- US Navy – November 7th during lunchtime – *no sign up required & their table will be by the nurse's office.*

When you sign up, use your email confirmation as your pass to attend. If you don't see the email in your Inbox, check your spam folder.



Parent Booster Club News - November 3



Spirit Wear is Ready

PBC spirit wear orders are ready to be picked up!

Please stop by Jock's Nitch Sporting Goods at 13358 College Boulevard, Lenexa, KS 66210. They are open 10am-6pm Monday through Friday and 10am-3pm Saturday. If you have any questions, please call them at 913-345-2882. Thank you!

Parent Booster Club fundraiser is Feb. 3 - Save the date!

Save the date! Denim and Diamonds is back and you don't want to miss it! Hope you can join us and support our students and school. Go Huskies!



Full School and Sports Calendars

BVNW Calendar

[View All School Events](#)

BVNW Sports Events

[View Sports Calendar](#)



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<http://twitter.com/bvnwnews>

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BVNW Inclusion Statement:

Blue Valley Northwest values every individual and the diversity they bring to our community. Everyone shall be treated fairly in language and in action without regard to race, religion, national origin, financial status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability. We, students, parents and staff will hold each other accountable to this mission.
