



# Jaguar Journal

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## ALL SCHOOL NEWS

### 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).

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**BLUE VALLEY WEST BAND**  
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**SUN. MAR 3**  
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### BVW Band Mattress Sale Fundraiser

**Sunday, March 3: 10 am - 5 pm, Commons**

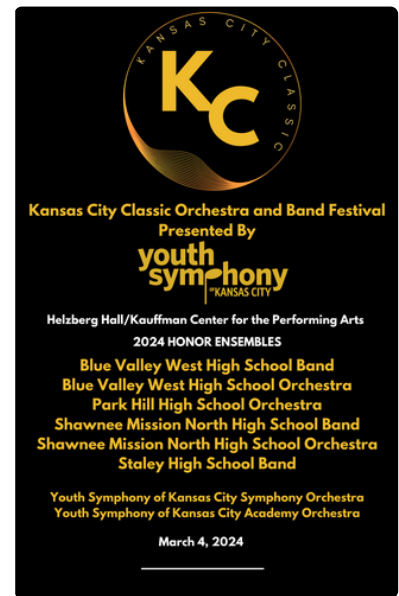
Need to upgrade where you sleep? We are hosting the 3rd annual BV West Mattress Sale benefiting our band program!

Please help spread the word and feel free to come shop and support our hard-working students if you find yourself in need of a better night's sleep!

### BVW Wind Ensemble & Orchestra Concert - KC Classic Festival

**Helzberg Hall, Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts - Monday, March 4: 1:00 PM**

Both our Blue Valley West Wind Ensemble and Orchestra will be making their debut performance in the Kauffman Center as part of the KC Classic Band and Orchestra Festival. While we know you cannot attend as this performance is during the school day, we did want to highlight the tremendous honor and opportunity many of our students will be involved in next Monday!



## Spring Musical Auditions

BVW Theatre is thrilled to be the first school in the Blue Valley district/area to perform *SIX: Teen Edition*!

From Tudor Queens to Pop Icons, the *SIX* wives of Henry VIII take the microphone in this award winning musical to reclaim their identities out of the shadow of their infamous spouse – remixing five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a Euphoric Celebration of 21st century girl power! This new original musical is the global sensation that everyone is losing their head over!

Auditions are open to any BVW student—no previous theatre experience necessary! Auditions will be held March 4 and 5 (dance on Monday, singing and acting on Tuesday) from 3:00-5:00 pm in the BVW Performing Arts Center.

To learn more about what it takes to be part of this production, [CLICK HERE](#) for more information. If you decide to audition, fill out the audition form linked on the last page of the information packet above by noon, Monday, March 4. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the director, Mr. Uthe ([ruthe@bluevalleyk12.org](mailto:ruthe@bluevalleyk12.org)).



## Raffle for a Reason- Tickets available until March 5

Want Taylor Swift concert tix? How about a trip to Disneyland or Washington DC?

BVEF is selling ONLY 300 raffle tickets at \$100/ticket and the lucky winner has their choice of one of eight amazing packages! See them all at [Welcome!\(onecause.com\)](http://Welcome!(onecause.com))

Proceeds support our students and educators; winner drawn March 6 so don't delay!

## 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.

## 3rd Quarter Newsletter

Please take a moment to review [THIS DOCUMENT](#) for information related to the 3rd Quarter. In the linked document you'll find a monthly breakdown of our odd/even/all block days as well as updated information about questions and topics frequently asked this time of year. Topics highlighted include: ACT Testing Day, Attendance/Punctuality, Change to student device access to games, etc...

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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**

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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.

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## ATHLETICS NEWS

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## COUNSELING





## IMPORTANT DATES Second Semester

**March 3rd**

**Deadline to Register for AP Exams**

**March 20th**

**Deadline to Drop Class for a "W"**

**Counseling Canvas Page**

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Average tuition and fees for a bachelor's degree at a Kansas public institution with the Promise Act Scholarship

The Kansas Promise Act includes two years of tuition based on being a Kansas Resident and taking 60 credit hours, estimated fees, and estimated books. Housing and meal plans not included. For more information scan the QR code or visit the link below.

**Next steps:**  
Check student and institutional eligibility  
Follow the steps at the eligible institution

Visit [https://www.kansasregents.org/students/student\\_financial\\_aid/promise-act-scholarship](https://www.kansasregents.org/students/student_financial_aid/promise-act-scholarship) for more information

**KS Promise Scholarship - Mental and Physical Health**

**Save up to 47% OFF**  
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**PROMISE ACT ELIGIBLE PROGRAM**  
Early childhood education and development

**Earn a teaching bachelor's degree at an average cost of**

**\$8,848**

Average tuition and fees for a bachelor's degree at a Kansas public institution with the Promise Act Scholarship

The Kansas Promise Act includes two years of tuition based on being a Kansas Resident and taking 60 credit hours, estimated fees, and estimated books. Housing and meal plans not included. For more information scan the QR code or visit the link below.

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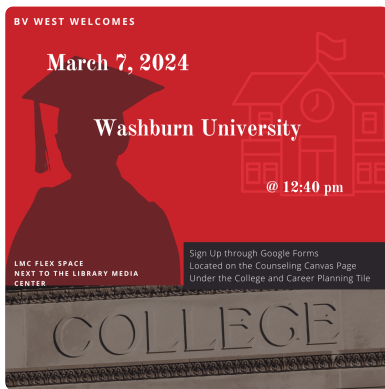
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**KS Promise Scholarship - Early Childhood Education & Dev**

### College/Career Visits

It's never too early to start looking at options post-high school! We have several schools and branches of the military already calling to set up visits in our building for the spring. Be on the





lookout for dates and times in next week's newsletter. Students you can sign up by visiting the BVW Counseling Canvas Page and click on the College and Career Planning Tile.

These visits always take place during AST.

Monday and Wednesday: 10-40-11:10

Tuesday and Thursday: 12:40-1:10

## Counseling canvas page

## 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.



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