

Knightly News

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OSBA 2022 Business Honor Roll Recognition

The Van Buren Local School District Board of Education recently recognized Great Scot and Gordon Food Service for their strong support of the district schools.

The companies were honored as part of the Ohio School Boards Association's (OSBA) 2022 Business Honor Roll program. The program gives school districts a way to say "thanks" to local businesses and recognize them for their valuable contributions to schools. OSBA provides personalized certificates and other resources to help school districts with their recognition activities.

"Great Scot and Gordon Food Service are strong supporters of Van Buren Local Schools," said Board Member Leifheit. Great Scot and Gordon Food Service have illustrated a strong partnership with the district and have provided flexibility and resilience in logistics and supply chain issues.

Van Buren Local School District and its students, board members, administrators, and staff would like to express their sincere appreciation for all that they do for the children of our community.



The Class of 2022 student information and achievements will be featured in the August issue of the *Knightly News*!

Retirement and New Adventures!

Van Buren Local Schools is saying good-bye to several, great employees at the end of this school year. We were all excited to be able to celebrate with many of them, and wish them well.

A Happy Retirement is extended to Diane Erford! She blessed our elementary students for 22 years. Wishing you many happy years of relaxation and enjoyment!

Best of luck to Will Baughman, Allison Beaupry, Brian Blum, Jake Gilliland, Molly Hosler, Jolene Johnson, Natalie Kincaid, Tyler Niekamp, Courtney Rolf, and Justin Slauterbeck as you enrich the lives of others on your new adventures!

Thank you all for your numerous years of dedication to the students and staff here at Van Buren Local Schools! You will all be greatly missed!



Allison Beaupry, Natalie Kincaid, Molly Hosler, Jolene Johnson, and Tyler Niekamp. *Not pictured:* Will Baughman, Brian Blum, Jake Gilliland, Courtney Rolf, Justin Slauterbeck.

MS & HS Honors

VAN BUREN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL Fourth Nine-Week Grading Period 2021 - 2022 School Year

ALL "A's"

- 6th Grade -** Avery Beall, Rachel Betts, Kendall Chatelain, Luke Grady, Andrea Groman, Maggie Gunder, Elizabeth Hammond, Preston Harnjo, Kaitlyn Homan, Rachael Miller, Lacey Omlor, Eden Orchard, Gourav Rohidas, Taylor Smith, Colin Treece, Emily Walter, Gideon Webb
- 7th Grade -** Kayla Bowman, Lauren Dahms, Ashleigh Doyle, Molly Finley, Kasadie Gibson, Mitchell Greenawalt, Jacob Harrington, Dakota Herricks, Brayden Howard, Evan Hutton, Rylie Kark, Monika Kerwin, Jordan Patton, Eleanore Poca, Lydia Ponn, Elleson Rader, Audrey Riegle, Frida Rojas-Martinez, Canyn Schofield, Ellie Scoles, Yuktha Shanmuga Sundaram, Brooklyn Wilkin
- 8th Grade -** Lilyanah Ayers, Ava Beuschlein, Emily Bishop, Kamryn Bowman, Brookanne Busch, Yung-Che Chang, Pranav Dinavahi, John (Carter) Finley, Cahleb Freytag, Gavin Fruth, Carter Fry, Lilianna Grine, Madeline Hardie, Alex Homan, Madeline Hudok, Brady Kline, Brady Lance, Amelia Leatherman, Caleb Metsker, Johnathan Omlor, Andrew Puperi, Will Rampe, Blake Stutzman, Josalyn Swaisgood, Griffin Ware, Brooks Young
- 9th Grade -** Tanner Bahn, Lacey Bowman, Dylan Buff, Drew Carr, Yung-chi Chang, Olivia Coutinho, Caitlyn Curry, Brock Daniel, Hannah Deiter, Isaac Dyer, Sophia Endicott, Brea Good, Lillian Grady, Lucas Harrington, Skyler Howard, Bailey Lance, Veer Mehta, Maria Eduarda Oliveira, Maria Isabel Oliveira, Rylee Orchard, Keely Parsell, Ansh Patel, James Patton, Aedan Riesen, Alyssa Ring, Paige Ryan, Nathan Schroeder, Victoria Schroeder, William Stacy, Megan Stall, George Thomas, Henry Thomas, Mason Thorla-Lopez, Natalie Treece, Baylor Wilkin, Nigel Woodall, Zane Yoder
- 10th Grade -** Abigail Badertscher, Rebecca Betts, Dillan Blosser, Yung Chien (Melody) Chang, Erica Coffey, Ava Cramer, Anna Durliat, Kayla Fisher, Zoe Fruth, Madelyn Fry, Abigail Haley, Ryan Harmon, James Homan, Joslyn Hunt, Brooke Ingwersen, Tram Le, Abigail Leatherman, Brylee Ponn, Kashinath Rohidas, Ella Serrano, Kenzie Steveson, Easton Vackert, Curtis Ware, Maggie Wehrle
- 11th Grade -** Alaina Bahn, Alejandro Barrios, Paige Bowman, Sasha Busey, Jack Campbell, Alicia Casselman, Jillian Clymer, Casey Donaldson, Peter Harrington, Katie Krantz, Madison Martin, Claire Recker, Nathaniel Ryan, Justin Schiefer, Hudson Sendelbach, Summer Siefer
- 12th Grade -** Ali Bishop, Hayden Carr, Rachel Cavera, Shane Coombes, Morgan DeBoo, Clarence Durliat, Christopher Emerine, Elise Fenstermaker, Melodie Garnes, Benjamin Hudok, Samuel Lamancusa, Abigail Losiewicz, Josiah McKeown, Aiden Mowrey, Kendra Odenweller, Andrew Schroeder, Ashlynn Sortor, Emily Stall, Taylor Stewart, Ryan Strapp, Lindsey Stultz, Ella Webster, Alan Woodall, Keagan Wymer

ALL "A's" and "B's"

- 6th Grade -** Arya Awal, Cooper Bahn, Jack Basinger, Parker Brouger, Ava DeCooman, Landon Ebright, Ashlynn Fenstermaker, Evan Fenstermaker, Ramone Johnson, Bryar Kendrick, Nghi Le, Alicia Lebron, Isaiah Moyer, Tenley Myers, Cooper Palmcook, Darby Poling, Korbin Preble, Matthew Puperi, Lydia Roeber, Leah Sheeks, Carter Spoon, Ethan Spoon, Lucas Steiner, Kensey Stewart, Carson Stone, Owen Swaney, Kenna Thomas, Kolten Wilson
- 7th Grade -** Peyton Beilharz, Dean Cameron, Acacia Hernandez, Trace Kisseberth, Talan Konwiczka, Zane Marquette, Brayden Mason, Grady Miller, Elle Mosser, Makayla O'Malley, Jacob Schroeder, Madison Wheeler, Isaac Yoder
- 8th Grade -** Myka Adams, Cole Bishop, James Cavera, Carson Cripple, Maverick DeWalt, Chase Eaton, Heidi Griffith, Madison Hedrick, Benjamin Heitkamp, Kamden Heitkamp, Trystin Hutchins, Geneva Lewandowski, Martin Finn, Landon Miller, Abria Mosser, Patrice Pullom, Gracie Reinhart, Aubrey Scherf, Brody Scoles, Luke Stultz, Brahlen Tankovich, Macey Wagner, Easton Wymer
- 9th Grade -** Alec Busey, Luke Casselman, Benjamin Chambers, Trevor Couchot, Seth Gregory, Maguire Hohman, Camryn Masters, Diego Rivera, Cohen Stevens, Kaya Strausbaugh, Aliah VanScyoc, Tobias Vanscoder, Zander Wannemacher, Grace Webster
- 10th Grade -** Parker Beilharz, Abigail Bowen, Vivian Brant, Adam Carey, Ashlee Deitrick, Karaline Fay, Landon Fisher, Carson Foltz, Reed Harmon, Landen Heath, Morgan Johnson, Andon Keckler, Elijah Mason, Gabrielle Parsell, Janelle Sica, Kadynce Volland, Collin Wagner
- 11th Grade -** Brianna Adkins, Allison Badertscher, Brandon Buff, Alexia Camarano, Nathan Curry, Schae Deerwester, Kennedy Diemer, Logan Dilgard, Ryleigh (Violet) Doyle, Alexander Gearhart, Gabriel George, Ethan Greathouse, Jackson Gregory, Avery Heitkamp, Olivia Hollar, Michael Huffman, Brienna Hutchins, Zoey Insley, Kennedy Jones, Ava Leal, Carter Miller, McKenna Morey, Alexis Nivison-Brassell, Peyton Odey, Noah Ogg, Jose Rivera, Faith Smith, Ryleigh Smith, Griffin Vanscoder, Jillian Walters, Samantha Wilcox
- 12th Grade -** Eliya Amos, Riley Brown, Chance Conley, Olivia Cramer, Taylor DeBoo, Jacob Deiter, Ainsley Forsyth, Emma Heppner, Jared Hocanson, Anthony Huffman, Rylee Johnson, Zachary Pina, Trey Rampe, Sophia Reineke

Hancock County Toll-Free Crisis Hotline
1-888-936-7116
Do you or someone you know need help, need to talk, or feel stressed?
Please call 1-888-936-7116, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
This is a toll-free crisis hotline number.

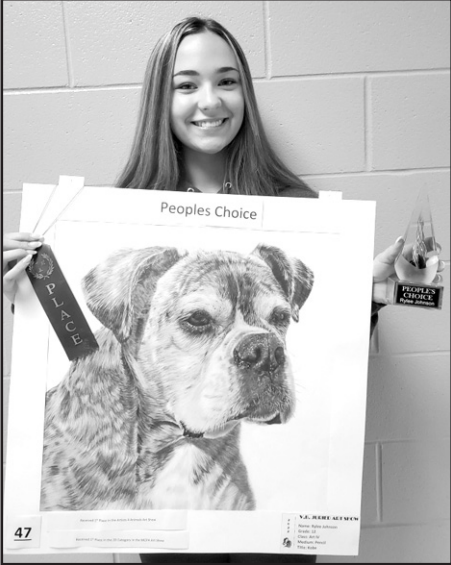
First day of School
for students is *Tuesday,*
September 6, 2022.

2022 Juried Art Show

Best of Show
Rylee Johnson



People's Choice
Rylee Johnson



Rockstar Award
Rylee Johnson



Rookie of the Year
Lillian Grady



Best of Painting
Megan Pisarsky



Best of Ceramics
Samantha Wilcox



Best of Drawing
Ali Bishop



Best of Mixed Media
Audrey Marroquin



Painting:
Best of Show - Megan Pisarsky
1st - Charlotte Youngpeter
2nd - Ellie Grieser
3rd - Charlotte Youngpeter
Honorable Mention - Emma Henry
Honorable Mention - Rachel Cavera

Ceramics:
Best of Show - Samantha Wilcox
1st - Samantha Wilcox
2nd - Samantha Wilcox
3rd - Katie Krantz
Honorable Mention - Lillian Grady
Honorable Mention - Sophia Endicott

Drawing:
Best of Show - Ali Bishop
1st - Charlotte Youngpeter
2nd - Rylee Johnson
3rd - Samantha Wilcox
Honorable Mention - Chi Chi Chang
Honorable Mention - Megan Pisarsky

Mixed Media:
Best of Show - Audrey Marroquin
1st - Brienna Hutchins
2nd - Ellie Grieser
3rd - Samantha Wilcox
Honorable Mention - Audrey Marroquin
Honorable Mention - Taylor Stewart



HS News

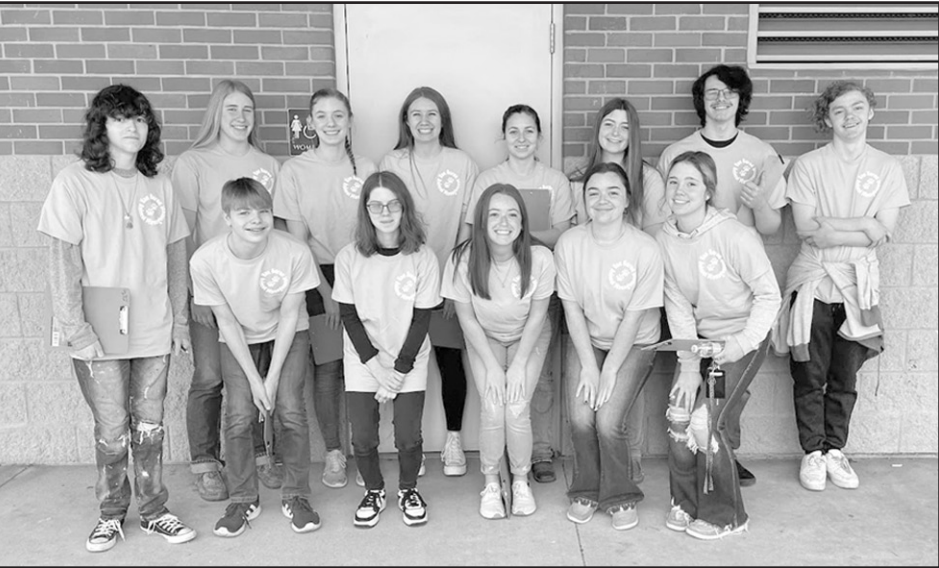
Hancock County Math Competition

Ashlynn Sortor, Jack Campbell, Michael Huffman, Caden Smith, Bel Oliveira, and Rylee Orchard participated in the 2022 Hancock County Math Competition on May 2, 2022. Jack placed first and Ashlynn placed third for the county! Congratulations to all of the participants in the 2022 HCMC!



Animal Management

Abigail Leatherman, Van Buren FFA Reporter
Animal Management CDE is a contest where students get judged on different breeds of household pets such as dogs, cats, parrots, and many more. Students are also judged of the care of such animals. For this contest students went to a table filled with pictures of different breeds of animals, they then had a paper to write down what breed they thought the picture was showing from a word bank. Each student had 30 seconds to pick. The students then went on to different stations, testing them of their ability to care for a specific type of animal. These stations were curtained off so no one could expect what the stations were about. These 13 students competed at STATE animal management on April 13, 2022. We had the most students qualify in the state of Ohio! These students placed 4th in the ENTIRE state of Ohio, with junior Catheryn Roy placing 6th individually. Way to go FFA!



FFA Banquet

Abigail Leatherman, Van Buren FFA Reporter
On May 15, 2022, Van Buren's FFA officer team hosted their FFA banquet. This banquet celebrated students' achievements in agriculture CDEs along with the installation of new FFA officers, Senior Salute, and our state degree winners. To start off this banquet Van Buren's new coming FFA officers served guests chicken and pulled pork sandwiches. This was a great opportunity for the students to learn more about their FFA peers and get a good perspective of community work in the future. After serving dinner, guests and members gathered in the auditorium to celebrate students and their FFA achievements. When the banquet was over the new and old officer team helped tear down with a celebratory sing of Country Road. Van Buren FFA staff and families are so proud of how far these students have become and can't wait to see what next year's members do next!



Outdoor Power

Abigail Leatherman, Van Buren FFA Reporter
The Outdoor Power CDE is a contest where students are evaluated on their knowledge of machinery repair in outdoor power equipment. They had to identify parts, take measurements and trouble shoot engines. This year, three of our FFA students participated in this competition on April 7, 2022. From competing they earned second in the district which won them a spot at the STATE competition. They later placed 6th overall at state with senior Jacob Deiter placing 4th individually. Good job boys!



FFA News

Community Garden

Van Buren's FFA Community Coordinators just reopened the FFA Community Garden to the public this Spring. The Community Garden is open to the public, which means anyone is allowed to water the plants, pick weeds, and gather produce FOR FREE. The Community Garden has a variety of produce to choose from including fruits, vegetables, and herbs. This is located at Hoadley Park which is just North of where Ash and Cherry Street meet in the town of Van Buren. There are seven main boxes, along with a watermelon patch, strawberry box, and two herb boxes. There's also water containers to water the garden. In box #1 which is closest to the water containers, it contains jalapeno peppers, sweet banana peppers, and golden bell peppers. In box #2, there are onions, celery, eggplants, chocolate beauty bell pepper, and serrano peppers. In box #3, there are tomatoes, cauliflower, broccoli, and red acre cabbage. In box #4, it only contains 100 super sweet tomatoes and hillbilly tomatoes. In box #5 there are beets, carrots, white sweet spanish onions, chives, and lavender. In box #6 and #7 They consist of peas, lemon boy yellow tomatoes, green beans, and asparagus (the asparagus will be ready next summer). The community Gardens herb boxes consist of plain parsley, thyme, and sage. There is also a bonus box that consists of blueberries (but won't have produce till next summer), and flowers. This is OPEN to the public. Feel free to come pick produce, water, and weed!

Abigail Leatherman, Van Buren FFA Reporter



Floriculture

Abigail Leatherman, Van Buren FFA Reporter

Floriculture is an agricultural CDE that tests students' knowledge of plant management and types of flowers. They also had to create floral arrangements! On April 26, 2022, Avery Wymer, Jayden Dennis, Jillian Walters, and Carlie Roeber competed at the STATE floriculture competition. This is the first time we had a team compete in this contest. This team placed 19th overall at STATE and Van Buren FFA couldn't be more proud of them. Way to go FFA!



Middle School CDES

Ohio FFA hosted middle school exclusive CDEs for the first time this year! Middle schools could choose to compete in the following contests: Ag Careers Quiz Bowl, Ag Career Presentations, Ag Careers Conversation, and Impact of Agriculture. We had one student compete in Ag Careers Conversation and talked about her passion for steam engines, Miss Brookane Busch! We had two students compete in the Ag Careers Presentations and talked about becoming veterinarians, Miss Lily Ayers and Miss Isabella Viera. Isabella placed 1st and Lily placed 2nd in the contest. Then we had four students compete in the Ag Careers Quiz Bowl. They are Brahlen Tankovich, Campbell Ferguson, Brookanne Busch, and Camden Voland. These students are the FIRST EVER STATE CHAMPIONS of this competition! We are extremely proud of all these 8th graders.



High School News

Sports News



Career Planning/Advising Update
Beyond VB Internship Opportunity: The Beyond VB Internship Program is available to all juniors and seniors who have passed all classes in the preceding semester (second semester of 2021-2022 school year) and are on track for graduation (juniors must have earned at least 12 credits and seniors must have earned at least 16 credits; must currently be enrolled in at least five credits; and must have passed 100% of state testing requirements as of the end of the 2021-2022 school year).

A student who meets those criteria is eligible to be released for up to two periods a day to participate in a career internship which aligns with the student's career goals. Participating students will be expected to complete at least 60 hours (earning .5 transcripted credits pass/fail) and up to 120 hours (earning 1 transcripted credit pass/fail) in the internship. Participants will also be expected to work toward and earn the OhioMeansJobs-Readiness Seal, a state-defined diploma seal.

If any juniors or seniors who meet these criteria have not completed the Beyond VB Internship Interest form for the 2022-2023 school year, they can complete the form at bit.ly/BeyondVB (URL is case sensitive).


The Interviewing People Careercast Update: Van Buren graduates **Lauren Brown** ('16 - Law Student at Capital University Law School) and **Kristin Conner** ('15 - Registered Nurse, Coronary Care Unit, Blanchard Valley Health System) are just a few of the alumni who have shared their career stories to help current VB students learn more about the career options they will have after graduation. **If you would like to watch these interviews and others, visit bit.ly/InterviewingPeople** (URL is case-sensitive). If you are a VB graduate or know a VB graduate who is having a positive impact on the world, please e-mail bbratt@vbschools.net so more graduates can share the stories of their career paths and contribute to the growth of current students.

STEM Adventure

Last day of school = Last lesson of Olay STEM. Today we explored the science of skin care and completed a chemistry experiment. Take away word... emulsifier!



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Van Buren Local Schools

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Our elementary library has exciting news to share! We will be hosting a Summer Read Program for current kindergarten through current 5th grade students. See the letter at <https://5il.co/1b3ot> for additional information.

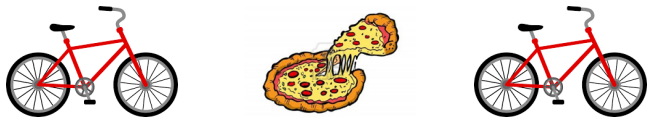
To gauge initial interest in the program, we are asking parents that are interested in participating to complete a form at <https://bit.ly/VBSummerRead> #BeABlackKnight



Middle School News

Put-In-Bay Fun

Sixth Graders had a great day at Put-in-Bay on Wednesday, May 25, 2022. The day began with boarding the ferry and riding bikes to the Family Fun Center. While at the Family Fun Center, the students enjoyed exploring Perry's Cave, mining gemstones, playing putt putt, and completing a maze. Next, the students devoured a delicious pizza at Frosty's for lunch. The day ended with visiting the Perry's Memorial and Museum, and shopping.



Elementary News

Music and Art Patriotic Extravaganza

Can you name all 50 states? How about reciting the Preamble to the Constitution? Do you know who wrote the National Anthem? These were just some of the many themes touched on during the annual Music and Art Extravaganza put on by the elementary music students.

On May 5, 2022, the 1st through 5th grade music students gave a patriotic music performance in the Van Buren high school gym. The 5th grade band, directed by Mr. Mike Procyk, started the evening by playing “Mickey Mouse March.” Miss Darci Van Vlerah, the elementary music teacher, took over for the singing section of the concert. Some 5th grade students including Kamryn Blosser, Cooper Hanna, Cara Nichols, Ben Burkart, Nihithaa Boppa, Anton Vichailak, Leander Sterling, Brady Arendorf, Kathryn Holt, Wesley Gossard, Shiv Patel, Olivia Allshouse, Aria Tussing, and Maddy Stearns were the narrators for the evening, telling information about the songs between each grade.

The 1st graders started by singing “The National Anthem” while also doing American Sign Language. They then sang a rousing rendition of “Yankee Doodle Dandy” and waved their American flags to “There are Many Flags in Many Lands.” Then the second grade sang a medley of many military anthems for the Marines, Navy, Army, and Air Force as each former and present service member was recognized by standing for their song. As each service was called by Leander Sterling, 5th graders Anton Vichailak, Brady Arendorf, Keegan Johnson, Liam Businger, and Wesley Gossard would hold up the corresponding military sign. They ended with “Proud of Our Veterans.” The third grade sang Katherine Lee Bates’ “America The Beautiful” and Ray Charles’ “Fifty Nifty United States”, naming all the states twice. The 4th grade students first sang “God Bless America” and then grabbed their recorders to play “America.” Finally, the fifth grade concluded the music part of the Extravaganza by singing a partner song called “There is a Light.” As the song was sung the lights were turned off in the gym and the students each carried a candle. They then danced to a jazzy rendition of the Preamble of the Constitution in which they had to learn all of the historic words. They ended by singing Lee Greenwood’s famous song “God Bless the USA” featuring seniors Ryan Strapp on electric bass and Dalton McComas on drums.

Miss Jordan Hector, elementary art teacher, had a beautiful art gallery on display before and after the concert featuring all of the elementary students artwork. Parents and students were encouraged to show off all of their different fine arts skills for the wonderful evening. Thank you to all who participated and supported the Van Buren Elementary Fine Arts!



Elementary Art News

Elementary Art

This year's Art Extravaganza took place on May 5, 2022, in the Elementary Gym. All students in first through fifth grade were able to participate and created artwork based on different themes assigned to their grade level. Themes included: space, sweets, Disney Pixar films, camping, and artwork based off of the book "What do you do with an Idea" by Kobi Yamada and Mae Besom.

One student from each class received The Black Knight Award. The Black Knight Award is awarded to a student who has been respectful, responsible and resilient throughout the whole year. The Black Knight Award winners were Michael Greer, Ellie VanScyoc, Blaire Pecora, Daniel Maas, Nora Nienberg, Trisha Satwaskar, Jocelyn Woolum, Elyse Hammond, Josh Schroeder, Aisha Dalvi, Lucy Miller, Scarlet Allshouse, Logan Johnston, Sarah Abel, Adrianna Salazar, Addyson Kisseberth, Lily Grine, Cooper Hanna, and Leander Sterling.

Students could also receive "The Principal's Award" which is awarded to two students in each grade level, with the exception of fifth grade, in which 3 awards are presented. Winners of the Principal's Award will have their artwork on display in the elementary office for the entire duration of the next academic school year. The Principal's Award winners were: Sadie Dunaway, Ellie VanScyoc, Kendall Perrin, Prahan Subramanian, Asher Kalkstein-Levitt, Baylen Caudill, Savannah Reiter, Logan Gonyer, Addyson Kisseberth, Anton Vichailak, and Max Wagner.



Elementary News

The Three Piggy Opera

On May 24 and 26, 2022, the Kindergarten classes of Van Buren performed a musical for their families called, "The Three Piggy Opera." The classic children's story was made into a musical by Carol Kaplan-Lyss and Sandi Becker. Mrs. Wendi Morey and Mrs. Shelly Barger's Kindergarten classes performed their musical on Tuesday evening and Mrs. Amy Tabler and Mrs. Morgan Slone's classes performed on Thursday evening. Both shows were on the elementary stage. The musical was directed by Miss Darci Van Vlerah, the elementary music teacher. Both casts included kindergarteners Madison Dugar and Charlie Grieser as Mother Pigs. Emerson Erwin and Rue Bowser as the Straw Pigs. Owen Kaufman and Zach Orwick as the Stick Pigs, Henry Force and Natalie Tiell as the Brick Pigs, and Sam Pickens and Noah Carey as the Wolves. Calvin Stoner, James Lawrence and Zoey Srouse as the Straw Peddlers, Cameron Allen and Nathan Phillips as the Stick Peddlers, and Alison Karle and Clayton Beach as the Brick Peddlers. The rest of the students made up the Chorus of Pigs. The show was narrated by Mrs. Meg Ramlow and accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Donna Van Vlerah. The backdrop and pig masks were designed and painted by Mrs. Jordan Hector, the art teacher. All of the students did an amazing job!



Have you Moved? Or are you moving over the summer months? Do we have your current address/phone number? Please Notify Us!

Please report any changes in address and/or phone numbers to the school as soon as possible.

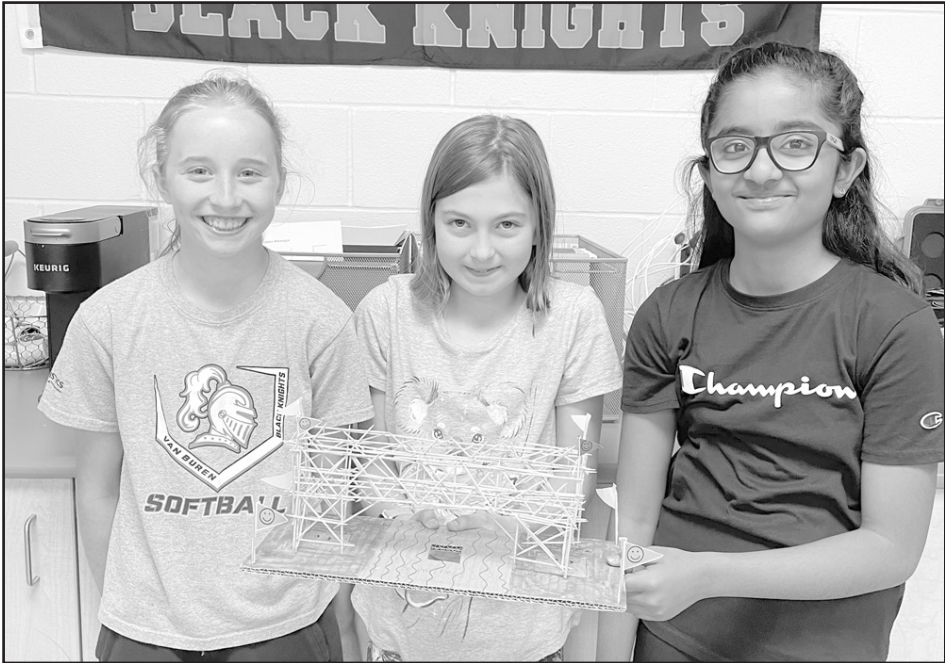
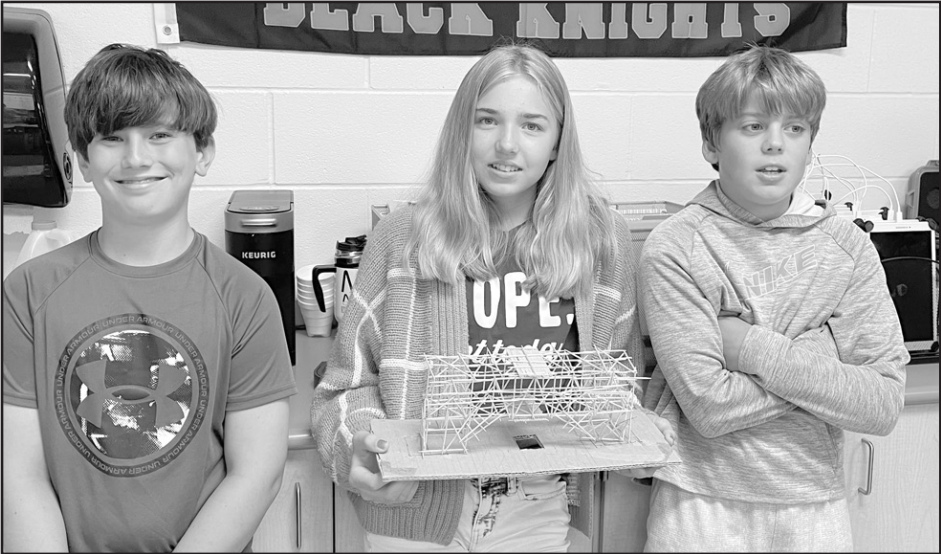
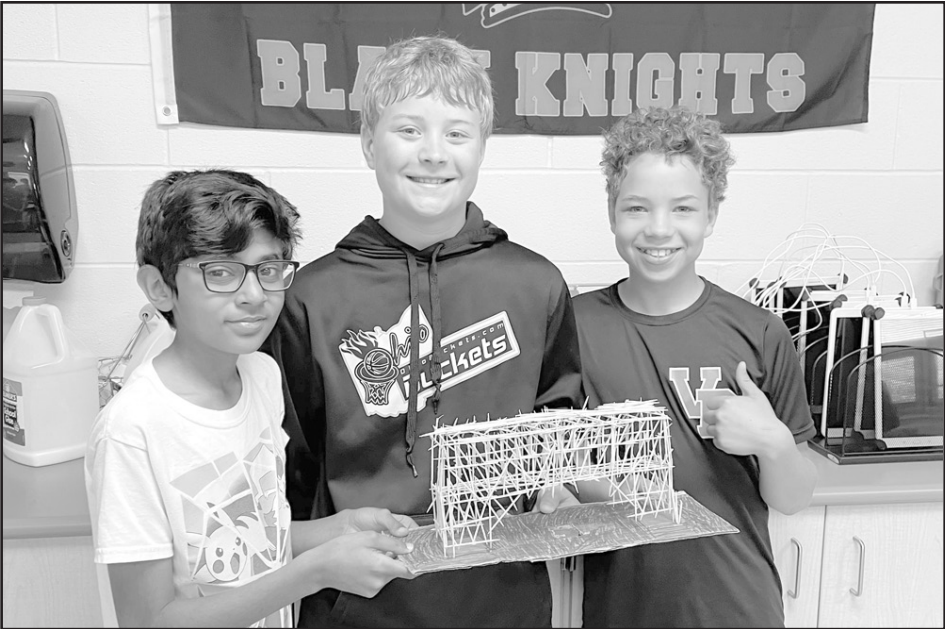
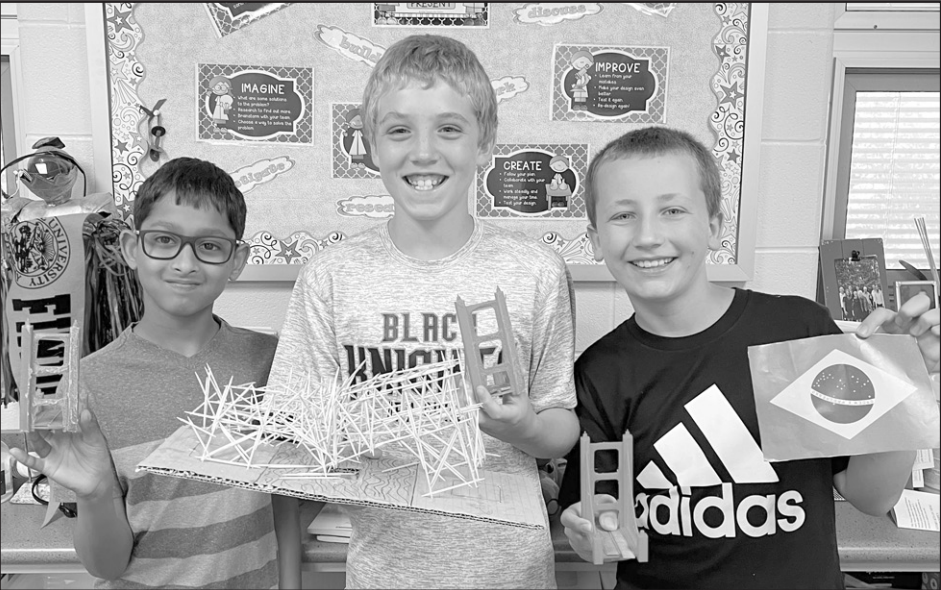
We want to maintain the most current information on each of our students. Please help us by notifying us of any changes that take place. This guarantees that all correspondence from the school reaches your home as quickly as possible. If you no longer have a 'land line' and are using your cell phones as your main line, please let us know.

If you move within or out of Van Buren School District, please let us know this as soon as it happens. Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated! We need to be able to contact you in the event of emergencies or notices that effect your children.

Elementary News

VANTAGE Bridge Competition

Fifth grade VANTAGE students continued the year-end tradition of hosting a toothpick bridge competition. The team of Shiv Patel, Ben Burkart, and Karson Rinker won! Their bridge held up to 17 pounds of weight before breaking.



Free Lunch For Kids!

The Summer Lunch program will be held in the Glenwood Cafetorium, Mondays through Thursdays, beginning on Monday, June 6 and running through Thursday, August 18. The Program will be closed on June 20 and July 4.

Children under the age of 18 are eligible for a free lunch each day. In addition, Feed-A-Child bags will be distributed on Thursdays. Serving each day is 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lunches are available on a first come, first served basis.

In addition, child-serving organizations from throughout the community will provide hands-on activities each day. Children are encouraged to participate in the activities.

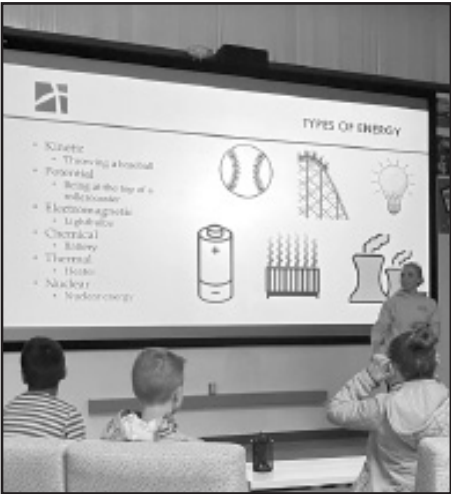
The Program is being presented by the YMCA Feed-A-Child program and the Family and Children First Council. If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact the Family and Children First Council at 419-424-7073 or the YMCA Feed-A-Child Program at 419-422-4424, ext. 120.



Elementary News

One Energy

The 4th grade VANTAGE class has been studying electricity, renewable energy, and specifically wind energy. It's always exciting to bring this unit to life when we adventure down the street to One Energy for a field trip. Thank you One Energy for teaching us about your many careers in the wind industry and showing us the physics of a wind turbine! After the field trip, the students completed a design challenge of creating their own wind turbine. Through this experience, they learned the importance of kinetic/potential energy, friction, drag, and Bernoulli's law.



Elementary News

One Energy (continued)



Sport News

A Historic Season

The 2022 Van Buren softball season was one to remember. The Black Knights were undefeated in the Blanchard Valley Conference, with a record of 8-0, beating rivals Riverdale and Liberty Benton during the regular season with walk-off hits in the 7th inning. They finished the regular season with a record of 21-1. They then moved on to the OHSA State tournament where they made a run that won't soon be forgotten. The Black Knights won the Sectional Title, beating Paulding 3-2. They then moved on to play BVC foe Riverdale in the District Semi-Final, where they won 5-3. The Black Knights were then set to play in their first District Final since 2015. The match up for the District Final was against another BVC team, Liberty Benton. At the end of a very intense match-up, Van Buren found themselves on the winning end, beating Liberty Benton 13-8 to win their first District Title since 2015. It is only the second District Softball Title in school history. The Black Knights then matched up with Margaretta in the Regional Semi-Final. In an absolute thriller, the ladies pulled out a 4-1 win and moved on to the Regional Final for the first time in school history. They matched up with Cardington-Lincoln in the Regional Final and unfortunately came up a little short to end their amazing season. The Black Knights finished the season with a record of 25-2 and were among the final 8 teams in the state in Division 3. Twenty-five wins is the most in school history and no other softball team has made it to the Regional Final. This group of young ladies was extremely special and they have a lot to be P.R.O.U.D. of! The team and coaches would like to thank everyone who supported them this season and looks forward to seeing everyone out again next year to cheer them on. Go Black Knights!



Seniors Make Van Buren Proud

Congratulations to Andrew Parsell and Ella Webster on their State appearance at the OHSA State Track & Field Meet. Andrew competed in the 110 Meter Hurdles and placed 7th! Ella competed in the 1600 Meter Run and placed 7th! What a great representation of Van Buren!



Van Buren Youth Football Registration

Registration is now open for Van Buren Youth Football. VBYFA is for students in grades 3 - 6 (2022-2023 school year) who live in Van Buren School District or attend VB Schools.

3RD and 4TH graders will be playing FLAG FOOTBALL.

5TH AND 6TH graders will be playing TACKLE FOOTBALL.

Registration and more information be found at: <https://forms.gle/kfuMnAQDgUYnv3Si9>

Registration deadline is July 5th!

Practices will start in August with more info to come!

Please email vanburenyouthfootball@gmail.com with any questions!



For more information on Van Buren Black Knight Sports, visit the website www.vbathletics.net

School News

VAN BUREN LOCAL SCHOOL
2022 - 2023 School Calendar

August 11 or 17	Thursday or Wednesday	Teacher Inservice Flex Day
August 24 - half day	Wednesday	Opening Knights
August 29	Monday	Teachers and Staff Meetings - Opening Day
September 5	Monday	Labor Day
September 6	Tuesday	First Day for Students
October 14	Friday	No School for Students - Staff Professional Development
November 4	Friday	End of 1 st 9 weeks
November 23, 24, & 25	Wed., Thurs. & Friday	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December 21 - January 2	Wednesday through Monday	Christmas Break
January 3	Tuesday	School Resumes
January 16	Monday	No School - Martin Luther King Day
January 20	Friday	No School for Students - Staff Professional Development & End of 1 st Semester - (End of 2 nd 9 weeks)
February 17	Friday	School day for students and staff
February 20	Monday	No School for students - Presidents' Day - (VBePD Day)
March 24	Friday	End of 3 rd 9 weeks
April 6	Thursday	No School for Students - Staff Professional Development
April 7 & 10	Monday & Friday	No School - Spring Break
April 28	Friday	School day for students and staff
May 29	Monday	No School - Memorial Day
June 2	Friday	Last day for Students (End of 4 th 9 weeks & 2 nd Semester)
June 5	Monday	Teacher Work Day

Calamity/Weather Make-Up Days - Will be added to the end of the school calendar beginning June 5, 2023.

Conferences will be determined by building and communicated out by each principal.

2022 - 2023 School Year
Middle School and High School

Class Fees

Class Fee (Grades 6-8)	\$20.00
Student Fee (Grades 9-12)	25.75
Chromebook Insurance (6-12)	20.00
Science 6	5.00
Science 7	5.00
Science 8	5.00
Design & Modeling 6	15.00
Art 8	10.00
Flight & Space	5.00
Automation & Robotics	5.00
Intro to Family & Consumer Sci 7	5.00
Intro to Ag 7	5.00
Flight & Space/Auto & Rob	10.00
Principles of Food	10.00
Medical Detectives	20.00
MS Ag Food & Natural Res + FFA member	40.00
MS Graphic Arts	10.00
New MS Band & Choir Students	17.00
6 th /7 th Grade Band (wind instrument)	9.00
6 th /7 th Grade Band (percussion)	11.00
Band (6-8) Smart Music	14.00
MS/HS Marching Band Members	20.00
High School Choral (Varsity Choir)	30.00
Mens Chorus	30.00
Womens Chorus	30.00
Jazz Band	14.00
Art 1, 2, 3, 4	40.00
Food & Nutrition	36.00
Life Skills & Personal Finance	20.00
Int. Cultures & Cuisine	38.00
Healthy Options	45.00
Intro to Design	15.00
Wood Technology 1, 2, 3, 4	20.00
Graphic Arts 1, 2, 3, 4	30.00
Advanced Design 2	15.00
Government	2.00
CCP Government	2.00
English 9	19.00
English 10	11.00
English 11	11.00
English 12	8.00
Spanish 4	19.00
Chemistry 1	20.00
Chemistry 2	20.00
Biology 1	15.00
Anatomy & Physiology	30.00
Medical Foundation	20.00
Physical Science	5.00
Forensics	5.00
Physical Education	5.00
Health	6.00
Strength & Conditioning	5.00
Sports Mngment & Recrtn	5.00

Elementary Class Fees

Kindergarten	\$70.00
Grades 1-5	70.00
(includes chromebook insurance)	

MS/HS Workbook Fees

Math 6	\$18.00
Math 7	18.00
Math 8/Algebra I	18.00
Language Arts 6	12.00
Language Arts 7	12.00
Language Arts 8	12.00

Class Fees (continued)

Ag Animal & Plant Science	20.00
Ag Business	30.00
Ag Greenhouse & Nursey Mgmt	20.00
Ag Science & Tech Food	30.00
Ag Wood & Forestry Eco	20.00
Ag Animal Health	30.00
Ag Mechanical Principles	30.00
Ag Food & Nat. Resources	20.00
FFA Membership	\$20.00



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ATTENTION PARENTS

The Free School Meal
Program **EXPIRES**
June 30, 2022.

Lunch prices will go back
into effect next school year.

Please plan accordingly.
Free and Reduced lunch ap-
plications will be available on
our website after August 1,
2022, for the 2022-2023 school
year. Applications will be
available in all offices starting
the first day of school as well.

**Have a
Safe and
Enjoyable
Summer
Vacation**

School Contact Information

Middle School/High School Office,
217 S. Main St., Van Buren, OH 45889
Elementary Office, 301 S. Main St., Van Buren, OH 45889

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL OFFICES 419-299-3384

HS Principal, ext. 401

MS Principal, ext. 301

Attendance, option #1

ELEMENTARY OFFICE - 419-299-3416

Principal, ext. 201

Building Secretary, ext. 202

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT - 419-299-3254

MAINTENANCE/TRANSPORTATION - 419-299-3052

Supervisor, ext. 504

FOOD SERVICE

MS/HS Supervisor, ext. 501

Elementary Supervisor, ext. 240

SUPERINTENDENT Office - 419-299-3578

Superintendent, ext. 101

Superintendent Secretary, ext. 102

TREASURER Office - 419-299-3863

Treasurer, ext. 103

Assistant Treasurer (Budgetary), ext. 104

Assistant Treasurer (Payroll), ext. 105

SCHOOL NURSE - ext. 455

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