

# VALLEY VIEW SCHOOL

## THE HERO HERALD

VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### IT'S THE JAGUAR WAY

MR. JASON FISCH, ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL



Welcome to December! While we've enjoyed a warmer fall, it's important to gear up for changing weather. Please ensure your child is prepared with the right clothing for outdoor activities. As colder, snowy days approach, having jackets, gloves/mittens, hats, snow pants, and boots at school every day is crucial. Let's make sure every student can enjoy recess comfortably.

Mr. Pieschek and I have been thrilled to visit classrooms regularly. The learning happening at Valley View is simply amazing! We've witnessed remarkable growth among our students in just a few months.

Parents, you're superheroes in your child's learning journey. During this season of giving, one of the most precious gifts you can offer is your time. Keep your child's mind active over the holiday break by encouraging reading. Reading is a superpower they'll use throughout their lives. Thank you for collaborating with us at Valley View to support your child's growth.

### IMPORTANT DATES

DEC. 5  
WINTER MUSICAL PRACTICE (GYM)  
3:15-4:30 PM

DEC. 7  
WORLD CULTURE CLUB (ART ROOM)  
3:15-4:15 PM

DEC. 8  
1:15 PM EARLY RELEASE

DEC. 12  
WINTER MUSICAL PRACTICE (GYM)  
3:15-4:30 PM

DEC. 12  
CODING & GAMING CLUB (LMC)  
3:15-4:15 PM

DEC. 14  
WINTER MUSICAL PERFORMANCE (GYM)  
6:30 PM

DEC. 15  
RIF BOOK DISTRIBUTION &  
GUEST READERS

DEC. 21  
STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING  
3:15-4:00 PM

**DEC. 25 - JAN. 2  
WINTER BREAK**

**CLASSES RESUME JANUARY 3RD**

### VALLEY VIEW OFFICE CLOSED

The Valley View office will be closed during winter break, December 25th through January 2nd. Happy Holidays, and enjoy your break.



HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS



## MORNING / BEFORE SCHOOL SAFETY

For the safety of our students, please remember that morning playground supervision begins at 7:45 a.m. The school building does not open to students until the 8:08 a.m. bell. Those with reason to be admitted earlier must either be enrolled in a specific program (example the Y Program) or have an admission slip from a staff member. When there is inclement weather, students will be allowed to enter the building and wait in their designated areas beginning 7:45 a.m.

Please keep in mind that since playground supervision does not start until 7:45 a.m. and students should not be at school before that time. Parents who regularly drop off students prior to 7:45 a.m. may be contacted by a school liaison office or school administrator to discuss other supervision options.



### CONSISTENT DAILY AFTER SCHOOL PLAN

WE ARE ASKING ALL PARENTS TO WORK AS A FAMILY TO DEVELOP A CONSISTENT AFTER SCHOOL PLAN. A CONSISTENT FAMILY PLAN AVOIDS CONFUSION AND ENSURES THAT STUDENTS ALWAYS KNOW HOW THEY GET HOME EACH DAY. WHEN IN DOUBT, SCHOOL STAFF WILL ALWAYS DISMISS CHILDREN BASED ON THE PLAN THAT WAS COMMUNICATED TO THE TEACHER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

## SNOW DAYS

Ashwaubenon Schools are in session unless a definite safety hazard exists due to weather. In the event of a major storm or extreme cold, school closings will be announced on local TV and radio stations. The Ashwaubenon School District will also announce any closings using SCHOOL MESSENGER. Two snow days are allocated in our school calendar. If more than two snow days are needed, days in excess of the two planned days will be made up starting June 10, 2024. If severe weather develops after the school day has begun, a decision by the superintendent will determine whether we remain in session or close early. If the decision is made to close school, local TV and radio stations will be contacted with the information. A SCHOOL MESSENGER alert will be emailed and/or texted to email addresses and phone numbers on record in PowerSchool. In the event that it is necessary to dismiss school early, the plan you sent to your child's teacher earlier this year will be followed. Please inform your child's teacher of any changes that may occur with that plan.

## BE SURE TO DRESS YOUR CHILDREN WARM

EVERYONE GOES OUTSIDE FOR RECESS IF THE TEMPERATURE IS ABOVE ZERO, AND NEEDS TO BE DRESSED IN WARM COATS, GLOVES, HATS, AND BOOTS.



## WINTER SAFETY & RECESS POLICY

We stress several winter safety rules with our students. For the safety of all students and adults we ask that students refrain from:

- throwing snow, snowballs, ice, etc.
- sliding on the ice
- playing on snow hills/snow piles
- digging tunnels in the snow piles

Students who ride buses are expected to use these same rules to guide their behavior at the bus stop. For safety reasons, students are also advised to use extra caution when crossing streets and use sidewalks or pedestrian paths, to and from school, rather than walking on the snow banks.

With the exception of severely cold days, our students will be going outdoors for recess each day. It is important that they come to school dressed for the weather and for outdoor play. In the event of bitterly cold days, the decision whether to go outdoors or to remain indoors, will be made by the principal and/or associate principal early in the morning, or during the day, whichever is necessary. In either case, we ask that children still come dressed for the bitter cold to protect them on the way to and from school and for their recesses.\*Please remember that our school policy states that students well enough to return to school after an illness will be expected to participate in the activities of the regular school day, which includes recess. A doctor's note is needed if your child is to be excused from participating in recess or physical education