Welcome to
Valley View Middle School

Class of 2026
Parent Information Night
Valley View Beliefs

• Welcome
• Do No Harm
• Use Choice Words
• It’s Never Too Late To Learn
  • Restorative Practices
  • We all make mistakes, how can we learn from the situation?
• Best School in the Universe
Valley View Middle School Administration and Counseling

• Principal: Monica Bauer
• Students A-K
  • Assistant Principal: Brian Burdon
  • Counselor: Julie Ray
• Students L-Z
  • Assistant Principal: Brenda Weyhrauch
  • Counselor: Brian Johnson
Parent Club

• **Mission Statement:** The Valley View Middle School Parent Club is committed to promoting the success of our students and strives to bring about an integrated and focused partnership between faculty, parents, and students. The educational enrichment of students is at the center of every decision and guides our fundraising and volunteer activities.
Valley View Parent Club

fun, low stress, no dues parent club that helps fund band, choir, sports, dances, and more. We are looking for some fun, easygoing volunteers!

We need volunteers for the following board positions:

• President
• Vice President of Fundraising
• Co-Treasurer
• Secretary

We are also looking for:

• Co-Volunteer Coordinators (4)
• Cookie Sales Volunteers
• Committee Members and Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more details, please email: info@mspc.org or Gillian Bicket at gm.oneal@frontier.com
Parent Club Info:

vvmspc.org

Find us on Facebook @VVMSPC.org

Alone we can do a little. Together we can do a lot!
Purpose of Middle School

• Help students take ownership of their learning
• Prepare students to be successful in High School
• Provide opportunities for students to explore a variety of electives and interests
• Develop citizenship skills
• Build a foundation in technology and citizenship
Transition to Middle School

- Registration – All registration information will be sent via e-mail. Please stay tuned regarding how to register on-line.
- 7th grade orientation tour – postponed TBD
- Field trip to Valley View
- Viking Days
- WEB Day
Field Trip to Valley View

Elementary schools pair up and visit for 2 hours

- June 3rd – Little Cedars, Totem Falls, and Cascade View Life Skills
- June 4th – Cathcart and Seattle Hill
Viking Days

• Wednesday, August 26th
  • 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
  • 4:00-7:00 p.m.
Viking Days

- Update family and emergency information
- Receive Family Access information
- Pictures
- Sign-up for Athletics
- Deposit money into a lunch account
- Purchase an agenda and PE Uniform
- Optional purchases:
  - ASB card $15.00 - required to play a sport
  - Yearbook $25.00
  - Picture Packets
WEB Day

“Where Everyone Belongs”

- Wednesday, September 9th
- 7th graders only
- 8th grade mentors
Support Services

- Valley View values the learning of all students
- Transition meetings with each elementary to discuss needs for all students, including ELL, 504, and IEP services
- Care Team
- Counselors
7th Grade @ Valley View

- Divided into four quarters and two semesters
- Periods 1-6
  - Required Classes
  - Elective Classes – quarter each for non-music elective classes, music is a year-long elective class
- Advisory Period – Viking Period
- A lunch – 7th grade lunch
- Locks provided by students
7th grade Required Courses

- Language Arts
- Math
- Washington State History
- Life Science
- Foundations of Citizenship & Focus on Academic Success (one semester)
- Life Fitness: PE/Health (one semester) *Uniform Required*
Viking Period

- Time to work on homework
- Time to get organized
- Test preparation and study time
- Time to Read – All students need to read a minimum of 20 minutes per day
- Allows students to obtain extra help and time with teachers
Honors and Advanced Math Classes

• Open registration for Honors
• Math placement test

More honors and math placement information toward end of presentation
7th grade Elective Quarter Classes

- Three-Dimensional Art
- Exploring Visual Art
- Family and Consumer Science-Home Ec.
- Industrial Science-Shop
- Team Sports
- Racquet Sports

*Elective classes are dependent on teacher availability and student interest*
Cadet Band  
(Full Year)

• Learn and improve basic technique on your instrument  
• Beginners are welcome! No experience necessary  
• Work on rehearsal technique and concert etiquette  
• This is a performing group with some evening concerts
Choir
(Full Year)

• For students who love to sing
• No experience necessary
• Variety of musical styles
• Students will learn to match pitch, read music and sing harmony
• This is a performing group with evening concerts
How can you help your student be successful?

• Make attendance a priority
• Read at home – students need to read a minimum of 20 minutes a day
• Provide consistent time and space for homework
Attendance

• Students who miss more than 10% of school days are more likely to not be successful in high school
• Communicate with the office and counselors
• Make-up work
• We want to see you every day!
Monitor Social Media: Links to help

Do you have a contract with your student? Check out the list of agreements for having a phone on this site:

Do you know what sites are most used by teens?
https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/16-apps-and-websites-kids-are-heading-to-after-facebook

Other sites to checkout:
https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/apps-to-watch-out-for
https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/apps-stirring-up-trouble-in-schools
Valley View Counseling

• Counselor (A-K): Julie Ray

• Counselor (L-Z): Brian Johnson
Why see your counselor?

- Need to discuss your schedule
  - No preference changes
- Help with organization and keeping up with work
- Make a plan for keeping up with work
- Concerned about a friend or family member
- Are being harassed or bullied
- Need food, supplies, or help w/fees because of financial need
Registration Forms

- Important to fill out completely
- Work hard to give students their preference, but will need alternative choices
- No changes, unless improper placement
- Information will be sent via e-mail
Athletics

**Season One:** (September-October)
- Girls Softball
- Cross Country
- Football

**Season Two:** (November-January)
- Volleyball
- Boys Basketball

**Season Three:** (February-March)
- Wrestling
- Girls Basketball

**Season Four:** (Mid April-May)
- Track
Athletic Forms/Rank One

• Forms are filled out online [http://www.rankonesport.com](http://www.rankonesport.com)
• Must have a physical
• Helpful instructions can be found on the Valley View Website, under the athletics tab found in “quick links”
• Questions-please contact Mrs. Walker 360-563-4225
Clubs and Activities

- Student interest driven
- Drama; Tennis Club; Golf Club; Game club; Ping Pong Club; Yearbook; Impact Club; Debate Club; Book Club; Habitat Restoration Club; Dungeons and Dragons Club
- Dances
- Spirit Days
- Assemblies
Thank you

• Contact administration and/or counselors with any questions
Honors and Advanced Math
Students who are successful in honors:

• Demonstrate a high level of interest, academic engagement, and an innate curiosity to learn in specific courses of interest
• Are highly self-motivated, take responsibility for their own learning, attend class regularly, complete quality assignments on time, and recognize that effort is important for success
• Successfully complete complex tasks that require extra time, thought, and perseverance
• Examine and learn from errors, demonstrate a willingness to try different approaches, problem solve, make revisions to work throughout the learning process, seek help, and access available resources
• Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led)
Honors Registration Process

• Students request consideration to be enrolled in honors classes
• School teams will review relevant data from student requests to ensure student success
• Students do not need to request all honors courses, just those they have high interest/ aptitude in
• Testing is not required, except for math
7th grade Accelerated Math

- Math placement is determined by:
  - SSD MS Placement Test
  - other math assessments
  - 6th grade classroom based assessments
- An acceleration course
  - prepare the student for MS Algebra the following year
  - based upon vital 7th and half of the 8th grade Washington State Learning Standards

Course pace is particularly rigorous to accommodate all necessary concepts and students are expected to be self-motivated.
Based upon recommendation by The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) and the Washington State Learning Standards, students should NOT skip any math level.

- Placement in Algebra is determined by:
  1. SSD MS Placement Test
  2. other math assessments
  3. 6th grade classroom based assessments

- This course will cover the core content as outlined by the Washington State Learning Standards for Math for the 2nd half of 8th grade and HS Algebra

Course pace is accelerated and contains advanced rigorous academic content.
This course will automatically be placed on the high school transcript as a math credit
Thank you