

GRIFFIN GAZETTE

Boquet Valley's Weekly Newsletter



A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, JOSH MEYER:

Coming off of an excellent homecoming week and weekend, I would like to thank Paul Buehler and the rest of the staff and students for the planning that went into the events. I would also like to thank the community members who donated or volunteered last week to make our first homecoming a memorable one.

We have begun exploring a significant capital project to meet our long-term needs. The facilities committee is gathering information on three options:

Option 1: Massive Capital Project to Lake View Campus

Option 2: Massive Capital Project to Mountain View Campus

Option 3: Construct a new facility in a central location

More details will be shared as they become available.

Have a great weekend!



Homecoming Bonfire at Dudley

A message from Mountain View Principal, Mark Bessen

This week a number of our juniors took part in the PSAT's. This is the first of the exams students will take as they plan for college and post-secondary jobs and training opportunities.

Some of our students had an opportunity to attend a Youth Empowerment Summit at SUNY Plattsburgh. This was a great way for students to engage with likeminded peers from our region.

Our Seniors have been rehearsing for the upcoming Senior Play which will be held for the first time at the Mountain View Campus, November 7th - 9th. We will keep you updated via our website and Griffin Gazette!

The students and staff at the Mountain View Campus did a wonderful job as we engaged in a fire drill, hold in place and lockdown drill this week. Everyone knew what to do and both drills were completed to standard, enhancing safety and the knowledge of what to do in case of an emergency.

Lake View will be hosting all K-5 students for the Fall Festival, October 31st. Please look in next week's Griffin Gazette for more information regarding the events!

A message from our Lake View Principal, Mr. Parker

We continued from last week being Fire Safety Week, this week our school safety focus included our first lock down drill and continued our fire drills. I am happy to report that the drills were all very effective and teachers should be commended, it was clear that they have had their students well prepared. Our School Resource Officer, Deputy Rice has assisted in supporting our administrators with safety advice and is developing great relationships with our students. On this same idea we sent several of our students to the Youth Empowerment Summit at Plattsburgh State to grow our students knowledge and leadership skills.

A message from our Director of Student Support Services – Mrs. Collazo

Last week was spirit week and Early Bridges, joined in the festivities. This week was a short week but a busy one. The young Griffins are learning about fall through many classroom activities and books.

On a side note, we now have a Classroom Dojo, where announcements can be sent directly to the parent. If you would like to learn more about it please speak to your child's classroom teacher. We would also like to send parents a quick reminder. Our young Griffins go outside for recess every day. Please make sure they are wearing weather appropriate clothing as the days are getting colder. We want to wish you a great weekend.



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JP & Shane worked hard and were able to see what was in the Prize Box in Mrs. Rascoe & Mrs. Oliver's room!

STEM Challenge #1

MAKE AN ITEM USING MATERIALS FROM NATURE



Create an object using materials found outside!*

All entries due November 8th.

Open to BVCS students, staff, and community members.

*You may use tape, glue, nails, string, etc. to assemble your creation.

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SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION WEEK

October 21-25, 2019

The New York State School Boards Association recognizes October 21-25 as School Board Recognition Week. This is a time to promote awareness and understanding of the important work performed by school board members. Boquet Valley Central School is joining all public school districts across the state to celebrate School Board Recognition Week to honor local board members for their commitment to our communities and its children.

“It takes strong schools to build a strong community, and these men and women devote countless hours to making sure our schools are helping every child learn at a higher level,” Joshua Meyer, Superintendent said. “They make the tough decisions every month and spend many hours studying education issues and regulations in order to provide the kind of accountability our communities expect. School board members give the Boquet Valley citizens a voice in education decision making, their contribution is a year-round commitment,” Meyer said.

Superintendent Meyer said the key work of school boards is to raise student achievement by:

- Creating a shared vision for the future of education
- Setting the direction of the school district to achieve the highest student performance
- Providing accountability for student achievement results
- Developing a budget that aligns district resources to improve achievement
- Supporting a healthy school district culture in which to work and to learn

The members serving our district are as follows: President Philip Mero, Vice President Alan Jones, Karin DeMuro, Dina Garvey, Sarah Kullman, Heather Reynolds and Suzanne Russell.

Please join me in extending a special thank you to our Board Members for their support and dedication to our students, communities, faculty and staff.

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