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CVMS News



Our next PTO Meeting : 6:30 PM, 1/17/2013, you are welcome to join us.

Blue on 2day : Tuesday 1/8/2013

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Franco's Corner

Happy Friday to All of You.

A Busy but Great Week!

During the holidays it is a natural inclination to put our lives in perspective and reflect about what is truly important. This Holiday season is no exception and perhaps, given the tragedies of the last few weeks, we have reflected even further. I wish to express to all of you again that school safety is and always will be our number one priority. We will continue to have conversations with the kids about school safety and we will continue to practice what we would do in the event of an emergency.

The kids this week have been awesome! Today was our mini-incentive day and students with no missing work in six of their classes were treated to hot chocolate and hot cider. Mr. Sanders and the band students treated staff and students to a medley of holiday music during passing times. And a few staff visited some classrooms singing various renditions of "Jingle Bells." There were also some fabulous holiday sweaters walking around the entire day. It was a fun day!

On behalf of the staff here at CV we want to wish all of you a safe and happy holiday with friends and family. See you next year!

Chehalem Valley Middle School Improvement Plan

If you want to learn more about our school improvement goals and steps we will use to meet these goals, please click on the link to our School Improvement Plan.

<http://www.newberg.k12.or.us/chehalemvalley/chehalem-valley->

Visitor Check-In

If you are visiting the school for any reason please check-in at the main office. If you are visiting a student or a classroom you will need to sign-in and retrieve a visitor's badge.

Calendar

Dec 23- Jan 7
Winter Break



Jan 8 back to school

Jan 8 Blue on 2Day! Wear blue!!!

Jan 9 Late Start

Jan 16 Late Start

Jan 17 PTO @ 6:30pm

Jan 21 No School (MLK Day)

Jan 23 Late Start

Jan 25 Dance

Jan 30 Late Start

Jan 31 End of Semester

Positive Behavior Referrals

For the month of December the following students

received PBR's: Macy Rickert, Matthew Larson, Lilly Womack, Matheson Goodbaudy, Maria Cazares, Viviana Campuzano, Juan Campuzano, Alex Everden, Dillon Mason, Charlie McLean, Steven Shalberg, Travis Bell, Dominik Guess, Samantha Brandt, Matt Derania, Caleb

Rhea, Geronimo Lopez, Jayden Yoder, Astrid Morales, Cristian Cisneros, Trevor Sherrard, Samantha Brandt, Kalani Lee, Terrah Kelley, Hailey Seaman, Allyvia Jones, Jayden Yoder, Grayson Hirte, Luke Kassebaum, Madison Hergert, Natalie Peterson, and Ann Nelson. Great job to each of you!

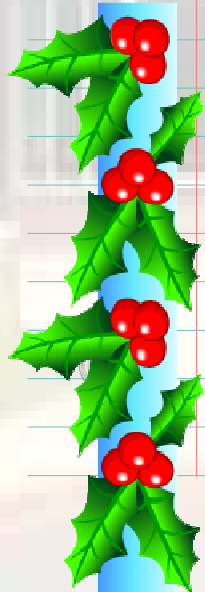


Photo Opportunities!!

Happy Holidays from the 'Festive Sweater Bunch'







District Dodge Ball Champions!
Our staff at CVMS played in a district dodge ball tournament and won the day!
Congratulations team 'Gang Green', you guys rock!!



Students who sold 12 or more magazines for our magazine school fundraiser, were treated to a 'Chill Ride'!!





FAQ's about standards/ proficiency based grading

As all of you know we are transitioning to standards/proficiency based grading. To gain further information, I encourage all of you to read the material on the attached link if you haven't yet. The link includes FAQs about our new grading, a rationale, and a summary of our plan. If you have further questions please do not hesitate to call the office. I would be happy to sit down with any one of you or to speak with you on the phone if you have questions.

<http://www.newberg.k12.or.us/chehalemvalley/graduation-starts-today>



Homework Club

Homework club will be every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school in the library from 2:30-3:30 PM with Mrs. White. Homework club is voluntary however at times we may mandate it for some students. Teachers, when available, also utilize the after school time to work with students. A late bus will be



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If you are interested in volunteering for CV please click on the attached link or contact our volunteer coordinator, Stephanie Carstensen, home 503-538-6102 or stephaniec@c-ware.com. We have the following immediate volunteer needs:

Homework club help 2:30-3:30 PM (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)

Read 180 Classes: Mrs. Brower is looking for parent volunteers to help within her classroom. Please contact Mrs. Brower if you are interested: browerc@newberg.k12.or.us

Weekly FAQ about proficiency grading:

This change supports our district mantra of "High School Graduation Starts Today!" Learning targets provide consistency, clarity, and truth about individual student progress. The learning targets for each subject area are the same across the middle schools. So, a student in a Pre-Algebra class in one school is held to the same standard as an Pre-Algebra student in another school.

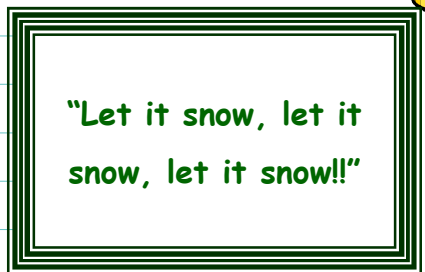
Students, parents, teachers, and community members know what is expected from students to demonstrate proficiency of each learning target in each subject area. Classroom assignments are linked to learning targets, which means students know what it is they need to learn. This removes the guessing game for students. The emphasis is on learning skills and understanding concepts. Learning Targets and Proficiency gives students, parents, and teachers more information to provide focused interventions/extensions for students to ensure academic success for each student.

available on these days to take students home around 3:30 PM. The bus has drop offs in Newberg and Dundee but does not venture out toward Ewing Young. If you want specifics of the bus route please call the bus barn @ 503-538-8365.

Student/Parent Handbook

In case you were wondering, our student/parent handbook is located on our website at:

<http://www.newberg.k12.or.us/chehalemvalley/chehalem-valley-parent-handbook>



Facebook

You can now "Like us" on Facebook. <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Chehalem-Valley-Middle-School/432691263436339>

Join our Chehalem Valley facebook page for updated information on the happenings at our school.



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www.newberg.k12.or.us/
chehalemvalley](http://www.newberg.k12.or.us/chehalemvalley)

Working Hard is Important to Us!

Given that we have just started the 2nd quarter it is important to note that we are also starting over in regards to student accountability for missing work. We address lack of work completion as a behavior with minor incident reports (MIRs) and behavior referrals. Please check out the link regarding our MIR (Minor Incident Report) policy regarding homework completion.

[http://www.newberg.k12.or.us/sites/default/files/
fileattachments/mir_policy_for_parents_2012-13_1.pdf](http://www.newberg.k12.or.us/sites/default/files/fileattachments/mir_policy_for_parents_2012-13_1.pdf)

Absences

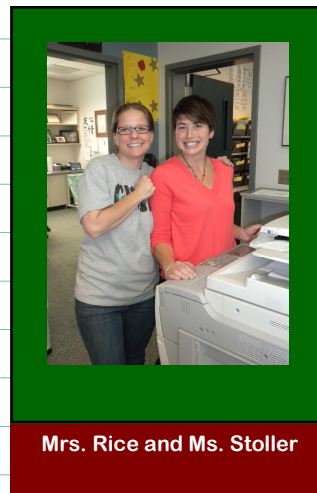
Every year we see more absences for trips and personal vacations. Although I understand that vacations do happen during the year, we ask that if at all possible you look to schedule extended vacations during our regular school breaks. Students can always make up work, however it is difficult to replace the loss of instruction.

Please be cognizant that we are extremely vigilant in regards to attendance. The following is the list of reasons the

state provides as excusable absences:

- Student illness
- Illness of an immediate family member
- Emergency
- Doctor/Dental Appointment
- Death of an immediate family member
- Court summons
- Satisfactory arrangements, made in advance with the school for other reasons

*Absences for reasons not noted on this list will be marked unexcused.



Mrs. Rice and Ms. Stoller