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# CVMS News



Our next PTO Meeting : 6:30 PM, 2/21/2013, you are welcome to join us.

Blue on 2day : Tuesday 3/4/2013

## Franco's Corner

Happy Friday to All of You!

### End of the 1st Semester Grade Reports

By now you should have received your child's 1st semester grade report. We mailed the reports out on Wednesday. On the reports you will see your child's 2nd quarter grade and then their 1st semester grade. Remember, the 1st semester grade is an average of the 1st and 2nd quarters.

### 5th Grade Parent Night

February 19th from 7-8 PM in our library is 5th grade parent night. We encourage parents of incoming 5th grade students to attend. We will share a variety of informational items at this session including electives, forecasting, expectations and providing a glimpse of how we do business here at CV.

### Exclusion Day

February 20th is immunization exclusion day meaning that students not up to date with their immunizations will not be able to attend school. Please make sure that if you fall within this category that you take your student(s) into the doctor to receive their shots.

### Donated IMACS

On behalf of the Chehalem Valley Middle School I would like to thank Pacific University and specifically Ted Krupicka for donating twenty IMAC computers to us. These computers were sorely needed for our Math Intervention classes. Thank you!

Have a great weekend!

## 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, or go to our School Improvement Plan @

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

### School Visitors

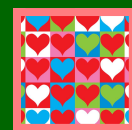
It is very important that you check into the office anytime you enter the school building. If you do not please be prepared to answer questions from staff regarding your reason for being in the building. Staff have been instructed to be hyper vigilant in regards to anyone on campus without a visitor's badge.

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## Calendar

Feb 13 Late Start

Feb 14 Valentines Day



Feb 18 Presidents Day - No School

Feb 20 Late Start Shot Exclusion Day

Feb 21 PTO 6:30p

Feb 27 Late Start

### Student Supplies

Being that we have hit the mid way point of the school year, I would encourage you to check your student's supplies to make sure that they have enough. Also, if you are interested in donating any reams of paper to please bring them into the office. Paper is something we can never have enough of.

Thank you!

## Positive Behavior Referrals

For the month of January the following students received PBR's: Tiffany Harold, Corey Self, Travis Bell, Jayden Goodbaudy, Joey Gardner, Phillip Stahl, Magie Wogenrich, Tess Watson, Abigail Steele, James Hyland, Lauren Krebs, Kiera Sedivic, Blake

Balmaseda, Catherine O'Brien, Alden Laplante, Hunter Shalberg, Kyle Poweroy, Dylan Brown, Mackenzie Looney, Neydi Salgado, Branko Frketich, Blake Meade, Germanimo Garcia-Lopez, Steven Shalberg, and Riley Schultz. Fabulous job!

Winter



# Winter Formal



## 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>

## National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

We have been selected as one of the Oregon test schools for NAEP. NAEP is a national exam in the areas of reading and math given to a randomly selected group of sixty-three 8th grade students. The data collected through this exam will be used as part of Oregon's data to see where Oregon ranks nationally. Individuals' test results will not be revealed and we will not be rated as a school on how we perform.

## 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>



## 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

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.



## CVMS Volunteer Opportunities

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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](mailto:stephaniec@c-ware.com). We have the following immediate volunteer needs:

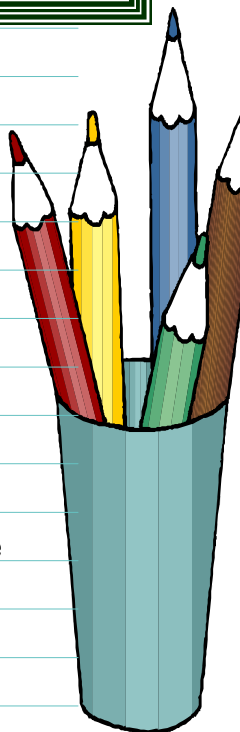
Homework club help 2:30-3:30 PM (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)

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](mailto:browerc@newberg.k12.or.us)

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

### Science Technology Engineering and Math

As many of you know, this year our Science department is in the midst of transitioning to a STEM focused program. We had a remodel to our Science classrooms over the summer and over winter break we received our new furniture. Just last week we received new computers for our Science rooms. This is very exciting! The goal of a STEM focused Science department is to provide our students with a more hands-on, virtual learning environment centered upon discovery, problem solving, and analysis. Our Science teachers are working to create more of these type of learning opportunities for our kids with the help of these computers, vernier probe ware and lego robotics. This is only the beginning!

### State Testing

We have one month before we begin state testing. Students this year will be allotted only two opportunities to test as opposed to three. Because of this change we are making sure we wait as long as we can before our first round of testing. Every year we test all students in Reading, Math and 8th grade Science and these assessments are one measure that we use as a guide for placement into Grade Level, Advanced, and/or Intervention classes. The results can also be construed as a barometer of grade level progress towards high school graduation. It is very important that the kids do the very best job that they possibly can on these assessments.

### Working Hard is Important to Us!

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.



Anti-bullying winning design! Congratulations to Geoffrey Carstensen!!

