



PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

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VALEDICTORIAN & SALUTATORIAN

Lyric Westlund, *Valedictorian*



Pine Valley Central School is proud to announce this year's Valedictorian is Lyric Westlund and the Salutatorian is Kaylee Astry.

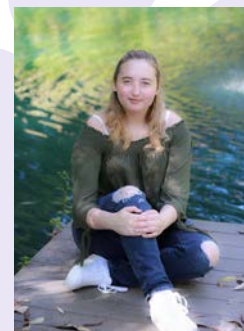
Lyric is the daughter of Ben and Heather Westlund of Perrysburg. Her extracurricular involvement includes the National Honor Society, Soccer, Basketball, Softball, Band, Chorus, Drama Club and Student Council. Lyric has taken on many leadership roles within school clubs including President of Chorus, Treasurer of Student Council, and is the Vice-President of her class. Lyric has

been recognized for her many academic achievements such as multiple PVTA awards, Scholar Athlete awards, and she is consistently on the Honor Roll. Additionally, Lyric has received the President's Award for Academic Excellence and the Rochester Institute of Technology Computing Medal Award.

Outside of school, Lyric plays in a travel volleyball league, works part-time at the beach in the summer, and she enjoys being outdoors. Lyric's community involvement includes volunteering at the community hall, assistant gymnastics coaching, various marching band events, and concession stand work.

Lyric will graduate with an Advanced Regents diploma with Honors designation and Mastery in Math and Science. Lyric is currently contemplating her college offers but plans to attend a four-year university to study Biomedical Sciences.

Kaylee Astry, *Salutatorian*



It is also with great pleasure that we announce Kaylee Astry as this year's Salutatorian.

Kaylee is the daughter of Jennifer and Ryan Astry of Forestville. Kaylee has helped develop as well as highly involved in the Mural Club and in the Art & Awareness Club. Kaylee is also a member of the National Honor Society.

Kaylee's awards include multiple PVTA Academic awards, consistent honor roll placement, the Citizenship award, and she was chosen for the Well's College 21st Century Leadership award.

Outside of school, Kaylee enjoys getting creative with her artistic passions, writing poetry and hanging out with her friends. Kaylee's community service includes helping the art teacher with various projects, serving lunches in South Dayton's Food Assistance Program, and she helped at the South Dayton Legion's children's winter fest.

Kaylee will graduate with an Advanced Regents diploma. Kaylee plans to attend SUNY Fredonia to study English and minor in Creative Writing.

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Recipient Announced for the 2021 Jachym Scholarship

A new era of Jachym Scholars begins this year due to the expiration of the original Amelia G. Jachym Memorial Scholarship started and funded by John and Audrey Jachym back in 1982. The previous recipients banded together to continue the legacy of the Jachym scholarship to support a senior in the Pine Valley class of 2021 who has shown outstanding character, citizenship and leadership. This scholarship is presented by the previous recipients and proud supporters of the Amelia G. Jachym Memorial Scholarship which was awarded from 1982-2020.

We are honored to announce that the recipient of the 2021 Jachym Scholarship is Madisyn Herman. Madisyn is the daughter of Deanna and Seth Howard of Cherry Creek and Brian Herman of South Dayton.

Madisyn's extracurricular involvement includes the Student Council, National Honor Society, high school band, FFA, and yearbook committee.

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She has been a member of the soccer, basketball and softball teams and has been named a Scholar Athlete in addition to many other athletic awards and recognitions. She has received multiple academic awards throughout middle and high school, school volunteer awards and the Independent Health 2021 Community All Star award.

Madisyn's community service involvement exceeds the 232 hours logged at school, which includes countless activities with the Leon Fire Department and the Villanova Grange, participation in local parades with the PV Band, classroom assistance in the PV Elementary summer enrichment program, and many service activities with the FFA.

Madisyn graduated fifth in her class, earning an Advanced Regent's Diploma with Mastery in Math. Her future plan is to attend the Alfred State College and she will major in health sciences. The previous recipients and sponsors of the Amelia G. Jachym Memorial scholarship, as well as Pine Valley faculty and staff are excited for Madisyn's future and we all wish her the best of luck in the next phase of her life.



Pine Valley Jr./Sr. High School

Honor Roll

5th Grade

Liam Bradigan
Lucy Brehm
Isaac Kelley
Sadie Kruszka
Saphera Lindquist
Addison Lyndsley
Landon Reger
Zane Rogers
Delaney Smith
Ava West
Kieran Zollinger

6th Grade

Matthew Abbey
Caleb Blasdel
Karley Ebel
Lily Hohl
JaKobe Howard
Dominick Lulas
Madilynn Robertson
Danica Sillemann
Breanna Snyder

7th Grade

Alaina Banach
Madalynn Hill
Sadie Hosmer
Cyrus Jackson
Kaitlyn King
James Maltbie
Amelia Morey
Camryn Slade
Addison Smith

8th Grade

Preston Danner
Madison Ebel
Alexis Giles
Trent Ivett
Sarah Kruszka
Olivia Lawton
Landyn Lewellyn
Destiny Lindquist
Elizabeth Roland
Sara Sunick
Danielle West
Julianna Yasurek

9th Grade

Arryanna Bardo
Molly Fritsch
James Gleason
William Jones
Zachary Lanphere
Maive Leverentz
Lucas Smith
Nora Smith
Brody Swanson
Alyssa West
Muriel Zollinger

10th Grade

Dale Bauer
Kyle Chase
Joshua Fish
Haleigha Hardy
Kaitlin Hayes
Sophia Jones
Allyson Morey
Kristal Ramirez
Luisa Smith
Molly Sunick
Darwin Westlund
Brandon Yoris

11th Grade

Brendon Butcher
Mattison Cadle
Sydney Dahl
Jade Giambone
Ariana Gozdzak
Christopher King
Margaret King
Wayne Libby
Matthew Rugg
Savannah Steves
Alexis Tunstall
Rylyn Tunstall
Cassidy Vincent
Owen Ward

12th Grade

Sierra Brown
Sarah Crouse
Evan Frontuto
Cameron Hayes
Madisyn Herman
Rebecca Jones
Madilyn Mitchell
Hannah O'Neil
Haley Pillard
Emily Rasmussen
Hailey Rivera
Lyric Westlund

Merit Roll

5th Grade

Dominick Austin
Alexis Colburn
Kaden Helman
Ashley Irwin
Romin O'Neil
Annabell Seabolt
Brookelynn
Sterling
Amelia Thomas

6th Grade

Carter Ellis
James Greene
Caden Herman
Jareth Horvath
Cameron Howard
Sandra Ivett
Bella Lilley
Josiah Roland
Anthony Sheldon
Trent Sunick

7th Grade

Jacob Banach
Brooke Dustin-McCoy
Jarrett Meyers
Jada Sterling

8th Grade

Haley Campos
Carley Ellis
Hailey Errington
Noah Frontuto
Paige Hohl
Caleb Kenna
Madison Mosher
Kendra Schultz
Sofia Sheldon

9th Grade

Jeremy Adams
Samuel Jacchino
Ryan Jackson
Savana Jackson
Jessina Miller
Dakota Smeal

10th Grade

Trishten Brisley
George Kruszka III
Fredrick Roland
Zachary Waterman
Anthoni Wittmayer

11th Grade

Abigail Ellis
Madalyn Fisher
Donavon Guglielmi
Sam Hunt
Zenobia Peck
Jenna Robbins

12th Grade

Madison Meabon
Dominick Taber



Student Celebration & Recognition Ceremony

2020-2021

Perfect Attendance

Emily Sheldon- grade 12

Merit Roll Students

Students maintained status on the Honor or Merit Roll for the first three quarters and have a cumulative GPA between 85 and 89.99%.

7th: Madalynn Hill, Cyrus Jackson, Camryn Slade, Addison Smith.

8th: Noah Frontuto.

9th: Jessina Miller, Dylan Naples, Nora Smith, Brody Swanson.

10th: Luisa Smith.

11th: Matthew Rugg, Melody Sunick.

12th: Sage Haskins, Cameron Hayes, Emily Rasmussen, Morgan Sandy.

Honor Roll Students

Students maintained status on the Honor or Merit Roll for the first three quarters and have a cumulative GPA 90% or above.

6th: Caleb Blasdell, Anthony Sheldon.

7th: Alaina Banach, Jacob Banach, Chloe Guenther, Kaitlyn King, James Maltbie, Jarrett Meyers, Amelia Morey.

8th: Matthew Burdic, Preston Danner, Madison Ebel, Alexis Giles, Paige Hohl, Trent Ivett, Sarah Kruszka, Olivia Lawton, Landyn Lewellyn, Destiny Lindquist, Elizabeth Roland, Kendra Schultz, Sara Sunick, Danielle West, Julianna Yasurek.

9th: Arryanna Bardo, James Gleason, William Jones, Zachary Lanphere, Maive Leverentz, Alyssa West, Muriel Zollinger.

10th: Dale Bauer, Kyle Chase, Joshua Fish, Haleigha Hardy, Kaitlin Hayes, Sophia Jones, Allyson Morey, Molly Sunick, Brandon Yoris.

11th: Brendon Butcher, Mattison Cadle, Sydney Dahl, Abigail Ellis, Madalyn Fisher, Jade Giambrone, Donavon Guglielmi, Christopher King, Margaret King, Chloe Lachut, Zenobia Peck, Jenna Robbins, Savannah Steves, Alexis Tunstall, Rylyn Tunstall, Cassidy Vincent, Owen Ward.

12th: Kaylee Astry, Sierra Brown, Sarah Crouse, Evan Frontuto, Madisyn Herman, Rebecca Jones, Madison Meabon, Madilyn Mitchell, Hannah O'Neil, Haley Pillard, Hailey Rivera, Kirkland Smuda, Lyric Westlund.

Academic Distinction

Highest GPA in each grade level.

Grade 7 - Kaitlyn King

Grade 8 - Trent Ivett

Grade 9 - Arryanna Bardo

Grade 10 - Joshua Fish

Grade 11 - Margaret King

PVTA Academic Students of the Year

Students chosen for each award based on achievement, advancements or perseverance.

PVTA English Awards

Grade 7 - Camryn Slade

Grade 8 - Julianna Yasurek

Grade 9 - Muriel Zollinger

Grade 10 - Joshua Fish

Grade 11 - Jade Giambrone

PVTA Social Studies Awards

Grade 7 - Kaitlyn King

Grade 8 - Trent Ivett

Grade 9 - Jon Sheldon

Grade 10 - Trishten Brisley

Grade 11 - Margaret King

PVTA Math Awards

Grade 7 - Katie King, Jacob Banach

Grade 8 - Sophia Sheldon

Grade 9 - Alyssa West

Grade 10 - Joshua Fish

Grade 11 - Rylyn Tunstall

PVTA Science Awards

Grade 7 - Kaitlyn King

Grade 8 - Julianna Yasurek

Grade 9 - William Jones & Trent Ivett

Grade 11 - Savannah Steves

Special Areas

Agriculture Awards - Kyle Chase and Kristal Ramirez

Art Awards - Kaitlyn King and Hailey Rivera

Computer Awards - Madison Mosher and Thomas Switala

Physical Education Awards - Cameron Hayes and Morgan Sandy

FACS Award - Danielle West

Chef's Award - Rylyn Tunstall

Instrumental Music Awards - Margaret King and Jesse Daniels

Spanish Language Awards - Haleigha Hardy and Sophia Jones

Technology, Design & Engineering Awards - Dominick Taber and Christopher King

Cherry Creek Lodge 384, F & AM Math Award

Highest Geometry Average - Muriel Zollinger

Scholar Athletes

Student athletes with a 90+ average & Varsity Sport participation.

8th: Sarah Kruszka, Kendra Schultz, Danielle West.

10th: Joshua Fish, Haleigha Hardy, Kaitlin Hayes, Sophia Jones, Molly Sunick, Brandon Yoris.

11th: Brendon Butcher, Mattison Cadle, Sydney Dahl, Abigail Ellis, Donavon Guglielmi, Christopher King, Margaret King, Chloe Lachut, Zenobia Peck, Jenna Robbins, Savannah Steves, Alexis Tunstall, Rylyn Tunstall, Cassidy Vincent, Owen Ward.

12th: Sierra Brown, Evan Frontuto, Madisyn Herman, Madison Meabon, Hannah O'Neil, Lyric Westlund.

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Student Celebration & Recognition Ceremony

2020-2021 *continued*

President's Education Award for Educational Excellence

Award for 8th and 12th grade students who maintained 90+ average in current and previous years.

8th Grade

Madison Ebel
Trent Ivett
Sarah Kruszka
Destiny Lindquist
Sara Sunick
Danielle West
Julianna Yasurek

12th grade

Kaylee Astry
Sarah Crouse
Madisyn Herman
Madilyn Mitchell
Haley Pillard
Hailey Rivera
Kirkland Smuda
Lyric Westlund

Daughters of the American Revolution Awards

The Jamestown Chapter of the D.A.R. presents the Exceptional History award to local students who show exceptional knowledge concerning the history of our great nation. The Good Citizen Award is presented to a student who possesses the qualities which the D.A.R. recognizes as good citizenship: dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

Exceptional History Award -
Kirkland Smuda

Good Citizen Award - Madisyn Herman

NYS Attorney General's Triple C Awards

The Attorney General recognizes local students for their Triple "C" Awards program each year. This award is given to students in honor of their enduring courage, commitment and character.

Jacob Banach & Sydney Dahl

Jamestown Business College Junior Academic Progress Awards

Each year Jamestown Business College recognizes students from area high schools who strive for academic progress and demonstrate good citizenship and strong work ethic. Winners of this award are submitted to JBC by their high school counselors, teachers and administration. This award allows recipients to earn an associate degree at JBC tuition free.

Jenna Robbins & Trista Farnham

Rochester Institute of Technology Awards

RIT asks area high schools to nominate students for two awards they sponsor. The Computing Award recognizes student accomplishments, their involvement in the school and community and their computing abilities. The Creativity & Innovation Award recognizes the student's outstanding achievement in innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship in and out of school.

Computing Medal Award 2020 -
Lyric Westlund

Computing Medal Award 2021 -
Brendan Butcher

Creativity & Innovation Award 2020 -
Madilyn Mitchell & Hailey Rivera

Creativity & Innovation Award 2021 -
Christopher King

St. Bonaventure Scholarships

Awards for students based on qualities that reflect the core values of the university, including academic excellence, community, integrity, wisdom, leadership, social responsibility, compassion and an appreciation for diversity. Scholarships are valued between \$72,000 and \$80,000 over four years.

Bonnie Scholar Award - Mattison Cadle and Alexis Tunstall

Reilly Scholar Award - Kordell Oakes, Melody Sunick and Rylyn Tunstall

Elmira College Key Scholarships

Elmira College asks area high schools to nominate two students for their Elmira College Key Award. The award is given to Junior students in the top 10% of their class in recognition of their scholastic achievement, leadership, citizenship and participation in extra-curricular activities. Should they choose to attend Elmira, they will be granted a scholarship worth \$20,000 a year for 4 years.

2020 - Madisyn Herman & Sarah Crouse

2021 - Jade Giambrone & Cassidy Vincent

Wells College 21st Century

Leadership Award

Wells College in Aurora, New York offers scholarships to area juniors who have stood out in the crowd as fearless spirits and exemplary leaders. Award winners are granted a \$10,000 scholarship each year for up to four years if they study at Wells College after high school graduation.

2020 - Kaylee Astry & Morgan Sandy

2021 - Mattison Cadle & Margaret King

Wilkes University's Colonel Emerging Leader Awards

Wilkes University's Colonel Emerging Leader Awards are pre-scholarships granted to high school juniors who demonstrate academic and leadership potential. Should our award winners attend Wilkes University after graduation, they would qualify for \$40,000 towards their four-year education.

Brendon Butcher
Christopher King
Zenobia Peck
Owen Ward

Principal's Award

8th Grade - Olivia Lawton

11th Grade - Brendon Butcher

Outstanding Citizenship Award

Sarah Kruszka

PAWS Character Award

Noah Frontuto

Counselor's Growth Mindset Award

Jenna Robbins and Kristal Ramirez

Leadership Award

Haleigha Hardy

The Inquisitive Learner

Joshua Fish

Perseverance Award

Savannah Steves

Panther Award

Owen Ward



Commencement Awards

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Alumni, Class of '74:

Awarded to the senior selected by their class as the "most congenial."

Recipient: Madisyn Herman

Alumni, Class of '80:

Awarded to a senior in the top 25% of the class and who participates in class functions. Given in memory of Robert Butcher a former teacher & class advisor at PVCS.

Recipient: Kylie Bremiller

Alumni, Class of '84:

Award presented to a college-bound senior in the top third of the class with an exceptional attendance record.

Recipient: Rebecca Jones

Amber Riggs Memorial Award:

Award given to a graduate in memory of Amber's dedication to and pride for Pine Valley Central School. To honor her memory, recipients are chosen based on their devotion to academic and athletic achievement.

Recipients: Cameron Hayes & Lyric Westlund

Amelia G. Jachym Scholarship:

Scholarship given to a senior who is in the upper 20% of the class and having outstanding character, citizenship and leadership. Sponsored by Mrs. Jachym and the late John Jachym in memory of his mother, Amelia, and the award is continued this year by past recipients.

Recipient: Madisyn Herman

Cattaraugus County Bank Award:

Scholarship awarded to a college-bound senior who will be pursuing a career in the business field.

Recipient: Rebecca Jones

Chad Brown Memorial Scholarship:

Scholarship presented to a senior with an 85 + average and outstanding athletic ability & character. Given in memory of Chad by his parents, Dan and Terry Brown.

Recipient: Cameron Hayes

Cherry Creek Firemen Auxiliary:

Scholarship for seniors living in the Cherry Creek Fire District and who have assisted the fire department in various ways.

Recipients: Jenna Jacchino & Dominick Taber

David Dunning Memorial Awards:

Awards sponsored by the PVTA to two college-bound seniors. In memory of David Dunning, teacher, coach, and friend of Pine Valley 1954-1976.

Recipients: Cameron Hayes & Hannah O'Neil

Alternate: Hailey Rivera

Far West Council of School

Superintendents Scholarship:

Scholarships awarded on the basis of service, leadership, work ethic and character.

Recipient: Hailey Rivera

FFA Scholarship:

Scholarships to seniors who have excelled in the Ag/Tech curriculum.

Recipients: Kylie Bremiller, Autumn Gregory, Madisyn Herman, Madison Meabon, Haley Pillard, Hunter Stewart

Independent Health and Business First's Community All Star:

This award celebrates a student who has made a positive difference in the lives of people here at school and in the community.

Recipient: Madisyn Herman

Iva K. Westley Estate Science Award:

Awarded to a college-bound senior who excels in science and is pursuing a degree in the science field.

Recipient: Madilyn Mitchell

Jamestown Business College- College Access Awards:

Scholarships awarded to students from area high schools who strive for academic progress, demonstrate good citizenship and strong work ethic.

Recipients: Sage Haskins and Emily Rasmussen

Jamestown Community College USA Scholarships:

Scholarships awarded to seniors in the top 20% of their class who will attend JCC in the fall.

Recipients: Sarah Crouse and Madison Meabon

Jean Estus Memorial Scholarship:

Based upon student applications, this scholarship is awarded to a college-bound student with above an 85 average who also maintained employment during high school. Given in memory of Jean Estus.

Recipient: Madisyn Herman

Jesse & Herman Warner Memorial Award:

Award given to the salutatorian of the class.

Recipient: Kaylee Astry

Larry Wells Memorial Scholarship:

Award given in memory of Laurence Wells, II, alumnus 1996, who believed in working hard, being responsible and always being kind. Sponsored by Friends of Laurence Wells.

Recipient: Hailey Rivera

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Class of 2021 Graduates

Graduate	Diploma	College Or Future Plans
Kaylee R. Astry	Advanced Regents Diploma	SUNY Fredonia, English
Kylie Christine Bremiller	Advanced Regents Diploma	Edinboro University & Army Reserves, Criminal Justice
Sierra Makaylyn Brown	Regents Diploma	Jamestown Community College, Nursing
Christopher J. Burdic	Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential	Workforce, Landscaping
Sarah Ruth Crouse	Advanced Regents Diploma	Jamestown Community College, Undecided
Sarah Jean Dunlap	Regents Diploma	Jamestown Community College, Health Technology
Jaycee M. Flagg	High School Diploma	Jamestown Business College, Medical Administration
Bradley M. Flagg	Regents Diploma	EMT Program & Jamestown Community College, Mechanics
Evan Knight Frontuto	Advanced Regents Diploma	University at Buffalo, Biological Science & Pathology
Sage A. Haskins	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Jamestown Business College, Digital Marketing
Cameron L. Hayes	Advanced Regents Diploma	SUNY Fredonia, Social Studies Education & Coaching
Madisyn Jean Herman	Advanced Regents Diploma with Mastery in Math	Alfred State, Health Sciences
David K. Hunt	Regents Diploma	Workforce
Jenna E. Jacchino	Regents Diploma	SUNY Fredonia, Art
Rebecca R. Jones	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Alfred State, Baking Production and Management
Jacob Timothy Kotar	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Workforce, Mechanics
Makenzie J. Lawton	Regents Diploma	Jamestown Community College, Mechanical Technology- Machine Tool
Devyn I. Logan	Regents Diploma	Workforce, Automotive Technology
Madison Grace Meabon	Advanced Regents Diploma	Jamestown Community College, Pre-veterinary Studies
Madilyn Mitchell	Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors Distinction and Mastery in Science	SUNY Fredonia, Science
Hannah Arie O'Neil	Advanced Regents Diploma	SUNY Fredonia, Childhood Education
Haley Jean Pillard	Advanced Regents Diploma	SUNY Fredonia, Childhood Education
Andrea Rose Post	Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential	Workforce, Pet Grooming
Emily A. Rasmussen	High School Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Jamestown Community College, Nursing
Richard E. Rasmussen		U. S. Army
Hailey E. Rivera	Advanced Regents Diploma with Mastery in Math	SUNY Fredonia, Theatre Arts & Musical Theatre
Nathan Tyler Rogers	Regents Diploma	Workforce, Manufacturing
David Rumsey	Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential	Career Exploration
Morgan M. Sandy	Advanced Regents Diploma	SUNY Fredonia, Early Education
Olivia Scinta	Regents Diploma	Workforce
Emily Rose Sheldon	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Workforce, Veterinary Assistant
Damien J. Smith	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Workforce, Excavation
Loren Paul Smith	Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential	Career Exploration
Kirkland Stephen Smuda	Advanced Regents Diploma with Mastery in Science	University at Buffalo, Physics
Hunter Robert Charles Stewart	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Workforce, Heavy Equipment



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Graduate	Diploma	College Or Future Plans
Lily R. Swift	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Workforce, Veterinary Assistant
Dominick A. Taber	Regents Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement	Workforce, Carpentry
Lyric Verona Westlund	Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors Distinction and Mastery in Math & Science	Northeastern University, Biochemistry
Ty A. Wilkins	Regents Diploma	Jamestown Community College, Undecided

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Lyn Hann Memorial Music Award:

Vocal and instrumental awards go to students with an exceptional attitude and musicianship. Award sponsored by Heather Kerr, Bryan Hann and Warren Hann in memory of their mother, Mrs. Lyn Hann.

Instrumental Recipient: Lyric Westlund

Vocal Recipient: Morgan Sandy

Major & Mrs. Albert W. Sheldon Scholarship:

Awarded to seniors who demonstrate leadership and dedication to becoming better citizens.

Recipient: Hailey Rivera & Lyric Westlund

Music Award in Memory of Donald Gould:

Award given by his family to a student involved in the music department. In memory of Donald, an alumni of Pine Valley class of 1954, who loved music, played in the high school band and marching band, Alumni band, the community band and the Drum and Bugle Corp.

Recipient: Hailey Rivera

Pine Valley Alumni Band Music Award:

In memory of Larry Waite, this award given to a senior band member who has displayed excellent musicianship and has contributed to the overall spirit of the band and music department. Student must also demonstrate good citizenship both in school and the community. Sponsored by the PV Alumni Band.

Recipients: Hailey Rivera & Kirkland Smuda

PVCS CSEA Employees Scholarship:

Given by members of the CSEA union of Pine Valley to a college-bound senior.

Recipients: Madisyn Herman & Lyric Westlund

Pine Valley Central School Employees Scholarships:

Scholarship given by the PVCS Employees.

Recipients: Madisyn Herman & Haley Pillard

Pine Valley Teachers Association (PVTa) Academic Awards:

English Recipient: Madilyn Mitchell

Mathematics Recipient: Madisyn Herman

Science Recipient: Lyric Westlund

Fine Arts Recipient: Hailey Rivera

Most Improved Recipient: Jenna Jacchino

Richard R. Walker Memorial Award:

Scholarship to a college-bound senior maintaining average academic standing through hard work and perseverance.

Recipient: Sierra Brown

Ronald Brown Memorial Award:

Given to a graduate in recognition of an exceptional attendance record throughout high school.

Recipient: Hailey Rivera

South Dayton American Legion Post 1593:

Award for students with outstanding community involvement and whom have a positive, gracious attitude toward others.

Recipients: Madisyn Herman & Kirkland Smuda

South Dayton United Methodist Church:

Scholarship for college-bound seniors to encourage Christian growth.

Recipient: Evan Frontuto

Sticek Baseball/Softball Award:

Given to a graduating senior with at least an 85% GPA who has played two or more years of high school baseball or softball and who plans to continue the sport in college

Recipient: Madisyn Herman & Lyric Westlund

Villanova Cheese Factory Ag/Tech Award:

Award for outstanding performance in the Ag/Tech field.

Recipient: Madisyn Herman

CONGRATULATIONS!



JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING OFFICE NEWS

Mr. Shane Gallivan & Miss Smith, School Counselors • Mrs. Stacy Chase, Secretary

College Exploration

We are strongly encouraging Juniors and their families to start (or continue) the college exploration process. Many colleges are currently or will soon hold Open House events. It is as easy as a google search! Just search for the college you would like to see, and then choose their Admissions page. It is a great idea for Sophomores and Juniors to start these college searches as soon as possible.

We need to let our students and families know that you can no longer wait until senior year to start college and career planning. The college application and FAFSA application timelines have been moved up in the last few years, so we want to help you out with our tips!

Junior Year	Senior Year
In the Fall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start talking with your school counselor! Make sure your schedule is challenging and in line with your future goals Attend the WNY College Consortium at PV in September. Meet college admissions reps from the WNY area Take the PSAT in October Attend college open house events to start your college exploration Start developing your high school student activity résumé. We have templates to help guide you! Keep involved in extracurriculars and take on leadership roles Do your best academically 	In the Fall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with your school counselor to ensure your coursework is still in line with your future goals Stay focused on your academics and do your best- senior year is not for slacking and taking it easy! Stay involved in extracurricular activities and take on leadership roles Take another SAT or ACT if you need to improve your scores Finish up college applications. Competitive colleges have fall deadlines! Start the FAFSA on October 1. Submit it before the end of the month for best financial aid opportunities Order your graduation cap and gown!
Winter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with your school counselor to plan for senior year and discuss your future Continue researching colleges Register and take an SAT or ACT Look into summer programs at college campuses 	Winter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue doing your best academically Enjoy your extra curriculars for this last year of high school Finish up any college applications, if necessary Class rank will be calculated after the first semester Some colleges will have acceptance deadlines in the Winter so be ready to make decisions regarding your college choice
Spring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend the National College Fair with us in March (if available) Narrow down your college choices with more research Think about a summer job or internship Start asking teachers for letters or recommendation (which you will need for your college applications coming up). Be sure to have your résumé ready to give to them (this will help them write you an awesome letter) Start planning and researching the financial aid process. The FAFSA is a major piece of your college application process. Register to take an SAT or ACT. You may get a better score the 2nd time 	Spring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are almost there-but don't stop pushing yourself! Finish your academic year strong and do your best. Your academic transcript isn't complete yet! Make your college choice and attend their accepted student events! Attend graduation!! YAY!
Summer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue investigating colleges and start looking at their application processes. You should start applying in August! Apply to a variety of college choices- "safe" schools, "reach" schools, and "realistic" schools- to keep your options wide-open 	Summer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enjoy your new path as a high school graduate! Get a summer job to start building up your spending money.

- www.collegeboard.org - PSAT, SAT, and AP information and registration.
- www.actstudent.org - ACT information and registration.
- www.khanacademy.org/sat - Official SAT Practice website (after students take the PSAT, this site becomes more custom fit to their needs).
- www.asvabprogram.com - information about the ASVAB exam (a great career exploration tool).
- www.fafsa.ed.gov - the official Federal Student Aid website.
- www.hesc.ny.gov - Higher Education Services Corporation- information about how to prepare for college and gives information about how to pay for college.
- <https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator> - statistics, research and evaluations of colleges and universities by the Department of Education.
- www.wnycollegeconnection.com - a good database of WNY colleges. Search degrees and careers to match up with colleges.
- www.bls.gov/ooh - Occupational Outlook Handbook- a guide to career information about specific occupations and their outlook.



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Mr. Shane Gallivan & Miss Smith, School Counselors • Mrs. Stacy Chase, Secretary

Scheduling and Elective Fair

The counseling department worked with the high school principal and our teachers to create the 2021-2022 curriculum guide which includes core class offerings, elective classes and other course policies. After the approval of the guide in December of 2020, the counseling department in cooperation with the teachers, orchestrated an elective fair for all students in January of 2021. This elective fair consisted of video presentations for each elective that would be offered for the following school year. The students were given a survey to identify the classes that they were most interested in. From there, scheduling for the 2021-2022 year was able to begin. Mr. Gallivan and Miss. Smith began working with the 8th to 11th grade students on developing scheduling options and informing each student of the opportunities they have based on their grade and graduation pathways. During the scheduling process, Regents, BOCES, advanced/traditional pathways, college course opportunities, and alternative placements such as PTECH are all discussed, based on what grade the student is in.

College and Career Fair

The counseling department is working towards creating the opportunity for students to gather more information on college and career opportunities that suit their interests. Like many other events, COVID-19 has posed some challenges for creating a traditional college and career fair. Much like how the school year has been approached, the counselors will be using the resource of technology to reach the students to provide them with access to content. Using Zoom, prerecorded videos, and recorded demonstrations will allow for students to receive an abundance of information despite having limited access to in-person discussion panels.

Career and Technical Education Program Exploration

In January, Sophomore students were presented with informational videos about the Career and Technical Education Programs at the LoGuidice Educational Center in Fredonia. Students were able to learn more about how classes are organized, how credits at BOCES are earned, what college articulation agreements are available and what kinds of work-based learning they could be involved in.

The next step is for students to meet with Mr. Gallivan to discuss their high school graduation plan and the courses they wish to take next year. If a CTE program is within their goals, we will send home a letter and an agreement form for both parents and students to review together. When this form is returned, we will start the registration process. If you have questions about this program, please call our office.

SAT School Day

Pine Valley again participated in a new initiative to allow our students to take the SAT during the school day. Juniors and Seniors signed up to take the exam in school on March 3rd. Offering this exam in our school during a normal school day has many benefits, including less stress on the student because they are taking the exam in a familiar setting. It also takes the worry out of going to an unfamiliar school and the exam does not infringe upon any weekend activities or family time. We are very excited to offer this convenient opportunity to our students! Watch the summer newsletter and school calendar for information about next year's SAT School day!

Mental Health Awareness Week

The week of March 22nd kicked off Mental Health Awareness week at Pine Valley. To honor this, we had a theme week, picking apparel that went along with a topic about acceptance and being confident with ourselves. Our monthly department newsletter also focused on mental health, also we distributed a copy to each student. Each day, an announcement was made in the High School about a mental health diagnosis and was provided to the students about each diagnosis as well as famous men and women who live and cope with these diagnoses. Our goal is to normalize mental health challenges and promote acceptance as many people are coping with their prognosis and are flourishing.

Class of 2021 Top Scholars

We are pleased to announce our students in the top 20% of the graduating class of 2021! If you see these students, please share your congratulations!

1. Lyric Westlund
2. Kaylee Astry
3. Madilyn Mitchell
4. Hailey Rivera
5. Madisyn Herman
6. Kirkland Smuda
7. Haley Pillard
8. Sarah Crouse
9. Madison Meabon



JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Kourtney Almeida, Jr./Sr. High School Principal

Greetings Panthers!

As I sit here and write this, I cannot believe that we are about to enter the fourth quarter! This year has certainly had its challenges, but our students, faculty, staff, and community have continued to show grit and grace. Each quarter has offered a little bit more of a "normal" feel. While we are still six feet away with the classrooms, our students have had the opportunity to be on the stage, fields, and courts!

As we enter the fourth quarter, we continue to have high expectations for our students. We are working daily to ensure we are providing the best education possible under the circumstances. It has looked a lot different this year, but our students, faculty, staff, and families have been doing an amazing job!

Kourtney Almeida, Jr./Sr. High School Principal

The Hello Girls

The Cast and Crew of The Hello Girls wants to extend a huge thank you to the community for coming out in support of this year's musical! Despite the strange year it has been and a few little hiccups along the way, it was a huge success both in-person and digitally streaming. The show could not go on without every single person who helped play apart from the cast and crew all the way to you, the viewers! Your support through buying tickets, ads, and chicken dinners goes right back into the Drama Club to help us put on more shows.



This year was not an easy one and the production team wants to congratulate every single student involved in this year's show for their hard work, dedication, perseverance, and undying spirit. You continue to amaze us all every day!

Without further ado, Pine Valley Drama Club would like to announce our shows for the 2021-2022 school year. The junior shows this year will be All Together Now in November 2021. It is a Broadway Review featuring fun and popular songs from shows that everyone knows and loves! The high school show will be Little Shop of Horrors, coming Spring 2022. Little Shop is quirky and hilarious with a sci-fi twist featuring a giant man-eating plant and lots of fun music. Stay tuned for more updates on both shows and we hope to see you all in the audience!



Kids Check out this Healthy Recipe!!! Chicken Creole



This Creole-inspired dish uses chili sauce and cayenne pepper to spice it up. Tomatoes, green pepper, celery, onions and garlic spices also surround the chicken with delicious color. This main dish can be cooked on the stovetop or with an electric skillet.

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 chicken breasts (whole, skinless, boneless)
- 1 can diced tomatoes (14 1/2 oz., with juice)
- 1 cup chili sauce
- 1 green pepper (chopped, large)
- 2 celery stalk (chopped)
- 1 onion (chopped)
- 2 garlic clove (minced)
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1 teaspoon parsley (dried)
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Directions

1. Heat pan over medium-high heat (350 degrees in an electric skillet). Add vegetable oil and chicken and cook until the chicken reaches an internal temperature of 165°F (3-5 minutes).
2. Reduce heat to medium (300 degrees in electric skillet).
3. Add tomatoes with juice, chili sauce, green pepper, celery, onion, garlic, basil, parsley, cayenne pepper, and salt.
4. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to low and simmer, covered for 10-15 minutes.
5. Serve over hot, cooked rice or whole wheat pasta.
6. Refrigerate leftovers within 2 hours

JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Kourtney Almeida, Jr./Sr. High School Principal

2021 CCAA West 2 All-Star Team

Player of the Year

Gavin Phillips – Gowanda (JR) .440 BA 3-0 1.40 ERA

1st Team

Pitcher

David Hunt – Pine Valley (SR) 2.07 ERA

Ashton Bushey – Randolph (SR) 4 – 1 2.66 ERA

Catcher

Kadin Ehmke (SO) .300 BA

Infield

Bryce Sercu – Pine Valley (JR) .324 BA

John Smuda – Gowanda (JR) .435 BA

John Ondus – Gowanda (SO) .500 BA

Dillon Schrader – Randolph (SO) .480 BA

Isaac Hind – Randolph (SR) .333 BA

Jonah Fox – Silver Creek (JR) .455 BA

Outfield

Cameron Hayes – Pine Valley (SR) .382 BA

Xander Hind – Randolph (SO) .556 BA

Hunter Prinzbach – Silver Creek (SR) .429 BA

2nd Team

Pitcher

Cade Neubauer – Silver Creek (JR) 2 – 2 3.63 ERA

Kyle Smallback – Randolph (SR) 1 – 0 2.28 ERA

Catcher

Blake Herman – Gowanda (8) .400 BA

Joe Villafranca – Silver Creek (SO) .280 BA

Luke Pagett – Randolph (JR) .375 BA

Infield

Maddox Browning – Gowanda (JR) .318 BA

Payton Slade – Randolph (SO) .292 BA

Ryan Laurito – Brocton (JR) .262 BA

Damion Franklin – Brocton (FR) .216 BA

Outfield

Donovan Guglielmi – Pine Valley (JR) .370 BA

Cole Herman – Gowanda (SO) .286 BA

Aiden Gatto – Brocton (FR) .221 BA

Aiden Piccolo – Silver Creek (FR) .409 BA

Honorable Mention

Pine Valley Randolph

Sam Hunt (JR) Wyatt Adams (SR)

Travis West (JR) Ethan Shields (SR)

George Kruszka (SO) Gowanda

Silver Creek Tyler Smith (SO)

Shawn Kelly (SO) Brocton

Kam Sakpal (SO) Connor Dispense (SR)

Nathan Laurito (8)

Step up to Pine Valley's Fitness Challenge

Spring is here! Now is the time to step up and accept a fitness challenge. We challenge each one of you to take this fitness challenge with a friend or a family member.

The goal in mind is to create and increase physical activities and healthy eating throughout the entire school and community. With this in mind, we are asking you to promote positive wellness by accepting this challenge to increase your daily steps and to keep track of your calorie intake.

For my own health and personal fitness, I downloaded the MyFitnessPal App on my iPhone. I really enjoy how the App provides you with a fun and easy way to log calories and keep a food journal. The MyFitnessPal App provides you with the tools that makes it simple to count calories and to keep track of the healthy foods that you love to eat. If you are not sure of what foods to eat; check out the food database where you can choose and select your favorite foods from. You can log meals quickly and see the daily calorie intake.

Go grab a partner that motivates you and kickstart your healthy eating and exercise program today! What are you waiting, for?

Here is link for the MYFitnessPal App for free

www.myfitnesspal.com/mobile/android

Free Android Calorie Counter, Android Calorie Tracker |

MyFitnessPal.com



Pine Valley/Gowanda Girls & Boys Varsity Soccer

All-Star Selections:

Lyric Westlund	1st Team All-League
Trista Farnham	1st Team All-League
Danielle West	All-League Honorable Mention

Boys' Varsity Basketball All-Stars

Kordell Oakes	1st Team All-Star
Bryce Sercu	2nd Team All-Star
Wayne Libby	Honorable Mention All-Star
Cameron Hayes	Honorable Mention All-Star

Volleyball All-Star Selections

Lyric Westlund	First Team All-Star
Morgan Sandy	Second Team All-Star
Kaitlyn Hayes	Second Team All-Star
Sierra Brown	Sportsmanship Certificate



ELEMENTARY NEWS

Mrs. Brandi Meacham, Elementary School Principal

Hello Panther families! I truly hope you have had the pleasure of watching some of the wonderful happenings of our school on Facebook, our website (www.pval.org), or twitter! Although many will say that the COVID-19 pandemic shutdown schools, hindered student learning, and caused social-emotional strife, Pine Valley schools stand as a testament to what a committed community can do! We didn't just survive this year; we successfully pushed forward with new grade levels assignments, a new ELA curriculum, new administration, new staff, new protocols, and so much more! Now, as summer approaches, we are afforded an opportunity to look back and smile realizing that we are an awesome example of what is possible during the most difficult of times! I'd like to extend a huge thank you to families who helped with remote learning, stakeholder groups, and the following of so many protocols! Many thank you's go out to our faculty and staff who worked through protocols to ensure a productive, safe and fun school year!



Fun came in so many ways this school year! We had multiple dress up days, whole-school Bingo games, classroom treats, virtual field trips, small group lunches, music and chorus lessons, special art projects, outdoor recess, a Careers on Wheels Fair, and so much more! Look at some of these moments captured in photos right here in this newsletter!

We completed our Universal Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten Round ups in May. It was wonderful to meet the families and students who will be coming to our school next year. We will be completing a Pre-kindergarten Round-up for our new 3-year-old preschool students this summer.

As summer approaches, we are working hard to get ready for our Summer Enrichment Program, the Extended School Year Program, and Summer School. The Capital Improvement Project will continue around us to prepare the building for next year as well. We encourage all students and families to stay active this summer, read 30 minutes every day, and find reasons to smile often!

We don't know all the details of what next year will bring as we continue working our way through this COVID-19 pandemic, but one thing is for sure: Pine Valley will prosper! We look forward to welcoming our new teachers, staff, and students to our school community in the next few months!

Have a safe and sunny summer Pine Valley families!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNSELING OFFICE NEWS

Mr. Shane Gallivan & Miss Smith, School Counselors

The high school counseling department has expanded into the elementary school. Alexis Smith is the counselor for the 5th grade students and Shane Gallivan has the 6th grade students. Part of the counselors' roles for these students is to assist them in developing life skills, prepare them for the transition to middle/high school, and begin the exploration process of college and careers.

When considering the development of life skills, topics such as stress management, time management, goal setting, interpersonal effectiveness, and self-awareness are important skills to teach. These skills are discussed in a group setting where students can engage in prompted scenarios that allow for them to create a dialog between themselves. This allows for the students to further explore why the skills are important, how to develop them, and how to implement them appropriately. The counselors challenge the students to think beyond stigmas and stereotypes to promote a diverse range of opportunities that they can explore.

Similarly, during the discussions of the life skill development, the counselors emphasize the relatability and importance of having these skills when transitioning to middle school, and then high school. Discussing this transition is done in an open format where students can ask questions, share experiences, and be informed of the various processes to help them feel more prepared. Skill lessons are focused to give students more opportunities to test their abilities and apply the skills to a variety of settings.

Furthermore, although the students have many years before college and career opportunities may come up, we understand that no one student's experience will be the exact same. That is why we encourage students to explore sooner rather than later. This allows for them to begin evaluating their interests, researching colleges and careers based on their interests, and receiving information on what opportunities they would have access to, through BOCES Career & Technical Education programs, alternative education pathways (i.e., PTECH), and collaborative college experiences that are offered through Pine Valley. This will further enhance their knowledge and experience of the careers they could someday be professionals in.

Our goal is to reach each student and help them discover opportunities they may have never known they could have, help them determine the steps to getting to their goals, and how to effectively execute the opportunity they behold. We take pride in being advocates for the students while they are learning to be advocates for themselves.



Students of the Month for January - June 2021

Each month students are recognized for being the Student of the Month in the classroom, art, music, library, physical education and on the bus. Students are nominated based on several criteria:

- Student consistently uses good manners.
- Student shows improvement or sincere effort in his/her studies.
- Student demonstrates positive peer and teacher interactions.
- Student completes tasks on time.
- Student has good attendance in school.



We congratulate the following Students of the Month for January thru June!!

January 2021 - K-6th Grade

Emma Buczek, Amelia Wightman, Mayson Woods, Isabelle Wilson, Jen VonLoh, Bentley Ellis, Timothy Doner, Giana Paul, Mohammed Kassem, Samara Irwin, Skyler Cooper, Mark Smallback, Victoria Erickson, Jaxson Emke, Wyatt VonLoh, Landon Reger, Zachary Barsky, Olivia Jackson, Sandy Ivett

January 2021 - Special Area

Library: Makayla Clark, Mayson Woods, Joey Kelley, Mohammed Kassem, Victoria Erickson, Lucy Brehm, Carter Ellis

Music: William Pekrul, Mayson Woods, Rachelynn Meacham, Lydia Jensen, Scarlett Horvath, Cole Wood, Caysie Troutman

Physical Education: Paislee Steward, Greyson Kwilos, Jasper Howard, Dakota Wilkey, Scarlett Horvath, Addison Lyndsley, Matthew DeGoliere

LIFT: Bella Lachut, Timothy Doner, Mohammed Kassem, Ayden Hohl, Addison Lyndsley, Karley Ebel

February 2021 - K-6th Grade

Carson Reynolds, Abigail Kelley, Braydon Rodgers, Greyson Kwilos, Miranda Ritter, Draven Sillemann, Tucker Racinowski, Daijah Thomas, Isabelle Phillips, Scarlett Horvath, Brenda Yoris Rivero, Addison Lyndsley, Alexis Colburn, Gabriella Hill, Breanna Snyder, Jareth Horvath

February 2021 - Special Area

Library: Ari Paff, Mitchell Flaig, Alicia Beuzenburg, Chloe Colburn, McKayla Ebel, Saphera Lindquist, James Greene

Music: Emma Buczek, Audrie Fray, Timothy Doner, Tucker Racinowski, Andrew Olsen, Zane Rogers, Robert Corson

Physical Education: Harrison Jones, Mia Kozaczka, Giana Paul, Samara Irwin, Jaxson Emke, Dominick Austin, Maya Quinn

LIFT: Greyson Kwilos, Summer-ann Comstock, Serenity Pilarski, Taylor Postle, Zane Rogers, James Greene

March 2021 - K-6th Grade

Mason Miller, Greyson Smith, Kaliyane Pilarski, Aria Colvin, Linley Wood, Myla Daniels, Ashley Strickland, Lillianah Pagan, Lilyan Sawatis, Evelyn Smith, Rosa Greene, Garrett Chase, Ayden Hohl, Lucy Brehm, Dominick Austin, Hunter Jackson, Lily Hohl, Cameron Howard

March 2021 - Special Area

Library: Masen Harvey, Devyn Gruka, Rowan Fagnan, Tucker Racinowski, Ayden Hohl, Liam Bradigan, Josiah Roland

Music: Amelia Wighman, Aria Colvin, Nolan Dustin, Dakota Wilkey, Blake Maynard, Kieran Zollinger, Trent Sunick

Physical Education: Emma Buczek, Caleb Sterling, Michael Douglas, Cole Lachut, Carlie Postle, Karleigh Egner, Zachary Cooper

LIFT: Aria Colvin, Bryson Fagnan, Evelyn Smith, Ashlynn Sillemann, Ava West, Sandy Ivett

April 2021 - K-6th Grade

Gracelynn Johnston, Masen Harvey, Caleb Sterling, Maddox Slade, Brantley Johnston, Milena DiPietro, Nolan Dustin, Serenity Pilarski, Madison Johnson, Tucker Racinowski, Emma Miller, Gabe Lilley, Jaxson Emke, Delaney Smith, Isaac Kelley, Caysie Troutman, Tianna Bova, Zachary Cooper

April 2021 - Special Area

Library: Paislee Steward, Miranda Ritter, Will Thomas, Mitchell Corson, Chad Schunk, Lucy Brehm, Breanna Snyder

Music: Brooke Sillemann, Grace Kelley, Jayci Bailey, Adam Riley, Victoria Erickson, Amelia Thomas, Zachary Barsky

Physical Education: Wyatt Gurka, Mitchell Flaig, Rachelynn Meacham, Evelyn Smith, McKayla Ebel, Diondrae Diaz, Tianna Bova

LIFT: Rowan Luce, Kynleigh Gastol, Dakota Wilkey, Isaac Hardy, Sadie Kruszka, Cameron Howard

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Students of the Month for January - June 2021

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May 2021 - K-6th Grade

Sephiria Reukauf, Jason Bailey, Grace Kelley, Allison Steubing, Emma Connors, Sam Fish, Summer-ann Comstock, Bryson Fagnan, Kendal Herman, Lydia Moffit, Skyler Cooper, Colby Colvin, Adrienne Bombard, Elliana Bellis, Karleigh Egner, Ashley Irwin, Josiah Roland, Gabriella Hill, JaKobe Howard

May 2021 - Special Area

Library: Masen Harvey, Avalee Wickmark, Summer-ann Comstock, Lilyan Sawatis, Elliana Bellis, Amelia Thomas, Caysie Troutman

Music: Greyson Smith, Rylie Blair, Rowan Fagnan, Lakelyn Brisley, Ayden Hohl, Addison Lyndsley, Karley Ebel

Physical Education: Molly Robertson, Aria Colvin, Sam Fish, Annabelle Lillie, Chad Schunk, Sadie Kruszka, James Green

LIFT: Bristol Reynolds, Jasper Howard, Jena Lawton, McKayla Ebel, Karleigh Egner, Tianna Bova

June 2021 - K-6th Grade

Mason Daniles, Makayla Clark, Molly Robertson, Karter Waite, Morgan Johnson, Avalee Wickmark, Rowan Fagnan, Layne Woleben, Dakota Wilkey, Tucker Racinowski, Ruby Rosario, Jonathen Strickland, Zachary Weidmann, Zackry Conklin, Annabell Seabolt, Amelia Thomas, Maya Quinn, James Greene, Sandra Ivett

June 2021 - Special Area

Library: Easton Scott, Layla Dustin, Nolan Dustin, Mohammed Kassem, Garrett Chase, Kieran Zollinger, Jareth Horvath

Music: Isabella Utley, Devyn Gruka, Layne Woleben, Draven Sillemann, Sandee Hosmer, Landon Reger, Toby Stockman

Physical Education: William Pekrul, Carter Stephens, Nolan Dustin, Wyatt Ellis, Taylor Postle, Kayden Schunk, Carlie Ward

LIFT: Kaliyane Pilarsk, Lauryn Sawatis, Annabelle Lillie, Ruby Rosario, Amelia Thomas, Hunter Jackson

Perfect Attendance & Excellence in Attendance

Grades K-5

Perfect Attendance: Isaac Kelley, Joseph Kelley, Brett Killock

Excellence in Attendance: Megan Abbey, Jason Bailey, Rylie Blair, Liam Bradigan, Garrett Chase, Colby Colvin, Autumn Dybka, Jeremiah Egner, Karleigh Egner, Bryson Fagnan, Rowan Fagnan, Rosa Greene, Harrison Jones, Abigail Kelley, Grace Kelley, Joshua Lawton, Jena Lawton, Gabriel Lilley, Flynn Moynihan-Kerr, Tucker Racinowski, Sapheria Reukauf, Lilyan Sawatis, Ashlynn Sillemann, Greyson Smith, Evelyn Smith, Toby Stockman



Sixth Grade Recognition - June 2020

Presenting the Class of 2027

Awards Presented

Perfect Attendance: Matthew Abbey

Excellence in Attendance: Autumn Bailey, James Green, Toby Stockman, Carlie Ward

President's Award for Academic Excellence:

Matthew Abbey, Karley Ebel, Lily Hohl, JaKobe Howard, Cameron Rinehart, Madilynn Robertson, Danica Sillemann, Adam Spencer, Trent Sunick, Caysie Troutman

President's Award for Academic Achievement:

Caden Herman, Jareth Horvath, Cameron Howard, Sandra Ivett, Hunter Jackson, Bella Lilley, Dominick Lulas, Maya Quinn, Josiah Roland, Brayden Simmons, Carlie Ward

Academic Distinction:

ELA – Karley Ebel

Math – Karley Ebel & Madilynn Robertson

Science – Karley Ebel

Social Studies – Madilynn Robertson

Kerry Brooks Memorial Award: Tianna Bova

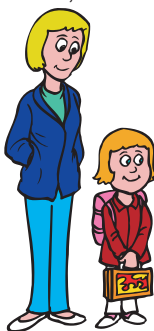
Citizenship: JaKobe Howard, Josiah Roland, Trent Sunick

Attorney General's Triple "C" Award: Matthew Abbey, Breanna Snyder, Caysie Troutman

New York State Comptroller's Achievement Award: Caden Herman, Madilynn Robertson, Carlie Ward

The 5-Minute Rule... Being At The Bus Stop

Each year in the "Back to School" edition of the newsletter, we remind students and parents of the requirement that students must be at their bus stop five (5) minutes prior to the regular pick-up time. **Thank you to most of our families who follow this rule.** However, we have some students and parents who have the misconception that the bus is supposed to wait for the students at the stops. The Department of Transportation and State Education regulations both require that students be at the bus stops 5 minutes before the regular pick-up times. **(Note: these are state regulations not just school requirements.)** The five minutes compensates for any variance in the bus run and allows the bus to stay on schedule. When the bus comes to a stop, the students can expeditiously board the bus and it can be on its way to the remaining stops.



Each time the bus must wait for a student, not only is it holding up traffic, it delays the bus and affects the arrival times at all the remaining stops. Even as little as 30 seconds influences a bus schedule. An average bus can transport 65 students. If 30 of those students take an extra 30 seconds to load the bus, it makes the bus 15 minutes late getting to school. We will not blow the horn as this is unlawful for other than to avert danger or to indicate the bus is about to back up.

If a student doesn't ride the bus for one reason or another and the bus does not need to stop for that student, it causes the bus to be early to the remaining stops -- another reason to be at the stop 5 minutes early. If there are no students waiting at a designated stop, the driver is to assume there is nobody getting on at that stop and is **not required to stop at all**. That is the driver's decision. (Those students will have missed the bus because they were not at the stop on time.)

There may be occasions when a sub driver not familiar with a specific run misses a stop because there were no students out waiting for the bus. When students are at their bus stops, it is much easier for a sub driver to recognize the stops as he/she can see the students waiting.

Our district goes well above what is required. We transport to and from the home of residence instead of pick-up points. (Except where it is not feasible to take a bus due to inadequate road conditions or having no turn-around points.) This prevents students from having to walk (depending on grade level) from 1 to 3 miles to a designated pick-up point. It allows students to stay in their home until 5 minutes prior to the bus arrival time which is especially nice during inclement weather.

Thank you for helping us to transport all our students in a safe and timely manner. Your adherence to the "5-Minute Rule" is sincerely appreciated. If you have suggestions regarding student transportation, please call me at 988-3254.

Students are to be waiting for the bus not the other way around. School buses are not required to wait for the students.

An opinion piece by Karley Ebel

In response to an article in the Dunkirk Observer that was written by Stephen Kershner, a Philosophy Professor at SUNY Fredonia.

On Wednesday March 31, 2021, a man by the name of Stephen Kershner argues that students should only be taught the History of Art instead of the actual subject. He also says that Gym is not "necessary" for students. He proposes that there is a three-step program into what should be taught. He says that it should be, "practically useful," "important to understand the world," and "necessary to preserve freedom of the American way of life." I find this preposterous in many ways.

First, students have Gym to release energy that they either have or have stored throughout the day. Kershner says that, "Gym is neither central to understanding the world, nor necessary to preserve American freedom. It does not require thirteen years of academics to figure out how to exercise." Gym is not a subject to be taught, per say, but students need to active to pay attention in classes. I say this because if students are not active, their energy goes to talking in classes instead of learning.

Also, saying that only the history if art should be taught instead of the actual subject is ridiculous. School is about training your brain to its full potential, and there are two sides of your brain. The left side and the right side. The left is the intellectual side of the brain, what most believe it to be. The right side of the brain is the creative side. Art is helping you grow your brain and saying that schools should not teach it is crazy.

Students should have a choice and say in which subjects' schools should take away. He can of course have his own opinion but saying that students should only learn things like mathematics, history, and English is bizarre. These are the reasons I believe Stephen Kershner's ideal of the three-step ideal of school subjects is ridiculous.

March Madness

Students in Mrs. Maltbie's class practiced their fiction and non-fiction reading skills with a March Madness Reading Challenge. Every day, students read passages and answered a text-based question about each passage. Students were then chosen to "shoot" for a team and work their way to the final championship game. As a culminating activity, the students were able to go to the gym and have their own "March Madness Shoot-Out." Congratulations to Landyn Lewellyn who was the March Madness MVP and to Matthew Burdic who was the March Madness Champion.



Elementary Physical Education News

By: Laura Osinski

Although this past year has been challenging for many reasons, we continue to be impressed with how well our students have shown flexibility and resilience through this pandemic. In the fall months, PE classes were able to get outside most days. We were able to provide our students with many creative activities including obstacles and a variety of hands-free activities in line with COVID guidelines. In the winter months we still enjoyed the outdoors building forts and even snow shoeing!

The past couple months we have enjoyed cooperative games, pound activities and even learned how to roller blade (3rd -6th grades). While rollerblading students learned how to properly fall, get up and turn, some even attempted tricks such as skating backwards! The improvements students have made through the years have been impressive and we continue to be amazed.

For the first time ever, students in 4th -6th grade utilized mountain bikes and scooters. Students learned rules of the road and bike safety including the basics of bike use and maintenance. Students also had the option of using stand up scooters if they preferred. Students in the K-3rd grades also had some sitting scooter fun, learning rules of the road in the gym with their scooter cars.

As always, we are incredibly thankful for our partnership with Erie 2 BOCES, they have provided us with free rentals of snowshoes, rollerblades and included all safety gear, pound sticks, heart rate monitors and mountain bikes. Thank you as well to, parents and students for being flexible as we work to provide fun experiences in the gym, while adhering to all COVID guidelines. We hope that as we enter the summer months you all continue to stay active and have a healthy summer!



2021 Pine Valley Lady Panther Modified Basketball Team

Coach Tim Nobles

The 2021 Modified Lady Panther Basketball Program completed its very shorten COVID effected season at the end of this past February. We were very excited to have the opportunity to play basketball this year, but difficult circumstances made the season a challenge.

Among the many challenges were a lack of participants (we only had a total of seven players), a lack of gym space and a lack of practice time. But despite these difficulties our seven players made strides. They learned the basics of Lady Panther Basketball such as: jump-stops, strong-side drives, cross-over dribbles, picks/screens and proper man to man defense. They also learned about enthusiasm for the game and teamwork.

Because of our minimal numbers, we were only able to complete two games.

Our first game was a 14 to 28 with a loss to Gowanda. In that game, Pine Valley led at half time by a 14 to 12 score. However, our teams lack of conditioning created a situation where we

basically "ran out of gas" in the second half. To any of our fans who watched our live stream games, our second and last game against Silver Creek showed much improvement. Although we lost by a close score of 24 to 32, our players showed a greater understanding as well as better skill and more determination.

This year's participants in Modified Lady Panther Basketball included: 8th graders Madison Mosher and Julianna Yasarek and our 7th graders were Katie King, Amelia Morey, Jocelyn Anello and Kuepper Duke. All the girls began our shorten season at various levels of skill and understanding. All showed great improvement in just three short weeks.

In a blink of an eye, our basketball season started and ended. At this writing, we are hoping that soon we will return to a more "normal" school year and sports season. When that happens, we hope to offer our players opportunities during the school year and during the upcoming summer to play basketball and continue to develop their skills. To our players who are reading this, remember that to learn the game and play it properly, one must move forward. Take what you've learned and add to it, don't ever be satisfied with where you are and always want to be more, to be better. That is how you achieve success because lessons in basketball success are also lessons in life.

2021 Pine Valley Lady Panther JV Basketball

Tim Nobles



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Would've, Could've Might've. In this COVID shorten season, the Pine Valley Lady Panther JV Basketball team only lost one game. That was our second game of the season against Panama. We might have won that game if we had made some easy lay-ups and played a better more aggressive defense. We might have won, but we didn't. We certainly could have won that game. Afterall, we only lost by four points and we had only eight team practices before this game. We could have beaten Panama, but we didn't. After the game and during the rest of the season, we felt confident that if we had played Panama again, we could beat them. But we didn't play them a second time. If we had played them again, we could have won, but we didn't.

You say, "Gee Wiz Coach Nobles, your team was undefeated in league play and your team had 10 wins with only 1 loss, your team may have the best record of any boys' or girls' team in any sport this year at Pine Valley. Why are you focusing on this one loss?" The reason is simple, its MENTALITY (the characteristic attitude of the mind or way of thinking of a person or a group). To be successful in sports, in the classroom, at one's job or at anything, one must have the correct mentality. That is what we are striving for with our athletes in our Lady Panther Basketball Program. We can't just achieve success; it is not just handed to us. We must decide what we (seriously) want, then we must come up with a plan to get what we want, and finally we must work hard to fulfill that plan. All the components add up to a winning mentality.

Now our young ladies learned from that loss to Panama. They won their last 9 games. Our team did not like the idea of losing, being so close to a win and not getting it. They all knew that if everyone had played just a little better, if everyone had made one less mistake or did one more positive, the outcome might have been different. Ultimately, this mentality propelled them to achieve success by winning the remaining 9 games of their season. This is the mentality we are working to develop in our Lady Panther Basketball Program. This is the mentality that we hope will carry over to help our young ladies succeed beyond Pine Valley. Success is something our players earned and achieved after hard work, resulting in a truly earned feeling of accomplishment (which is one of the greatest feelings). Our young ladies who

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worked very hard and who made good strides during the season included: (Sophomores) Haleigha Hardy, Kaitlin Hayes, Ashley Campbell, (Freshmen) Vivien Libby, Tianna McIntosh, Jessina Miller, Alyssa West (8th graders) Danica Farnham, Paige Hohl and Sarah Kruska. Basketball managers Madison Mosher and Julianna Yasarek also were part of our team and contributed in many ways. Teresa Nobles also added to our success as assistant coach. Basketball is truly a team sport and all our players, managers and coaches played a part in our success.

It is our belief that these young ladies have the ability and mentality to do great things in the next few years. The game of basketball is meant to be "fun" (after all, it is a game). But our young ladies have developed a different definition of fun. To them, fun is not joking around or gossiping, only coming to practice when they feel like it, nor is it doing things half heartily. Fun to them is getting tips and steals, making a great pass, drawing a charge, getting a rebound and finishing a shot. They understand that although basketball is just a game, the object of any game is to win. They understand that if they work hard and improve their skills, if they focus on knowing the game, they have a chance to achieve success. Knowing they might win, knowing they could win, will eventually lead to a belief that they should win. With that MENTALITY, almost anything is possible.

2021 Pine Valley Lady Panthers Varsity Basketball

Coach Eric Spanbauer



The Pine Valley Lady Panthers Varsity Basketball team finished the 2021 season with an 8-5 overall record. We were a team recovering from losing 6 seniors last year but made great strides throughout the season. This year's team was composed of two Seniors: Madisyn Herman, and Lyric Westlund, both of which were captains and great role models for their teammates. Our seven Juniors this year include: Maggie King, Sidney Dahl, Trista Farnham, Mattison Cadle, Cassidy Vincent, Alexis Tunstall and

Rylyn Tunstall. Our sole underclassmen for most of the season was 8th grader: Danielle West. Called up for Playoffs were Haleigha Hardy (10), Ashley Campbell (10), Kaitlin Hayes (10) and Alyssa West (9).

The year started off extremely fast given we only had six days to practice in the gym before our first game. We worked hard to improve skills and we learned to play as a team. Throughout our struggles the team put forth great effort and stayed unified.

As league play started, we knew it was going to be a very competitive season. We experienced many close games, including two tough losses to North Collins and Franklinville, both by a point plummeting our record to 3-4. This was when we made a significant turnaround by beating the Ellicottville Eagles ending their bid for an undefeated record in league play. The Lady Panthers finished the season strong winning 4 in a row entering the playoffs. We went into playoffs as the 3rd seed and won our first home playoff game in five years against North Collins. The Pine Valley Lady Panthers moved on to the Section VI semi-finals, where they faced a very talented Panama Panthers. Pine Valley improved after being blown out by Panama earlier in the year, the girls played well as a team but eventually fell to Panama.

As a coaching staff we were extremely proud of how the girls adjusted to our new procedures dealing with Covid-19 throughout the season. We would like to thank several people for helping make the year successful. Managers: Maddie Mosher, Julianna Yasarek and Hunter Colvin. Bookkeeper: Stephanie West. Shot-clock operators: Dawn Andrews, & Ben Westlund. Timer and Bus Driver: Dee Herman, and coaches Teresa Nobles, Tim Nobles and Karah Herman. Another huge shout out to Ryan Riley for having our gyms clean and ready for practices and games. The parents for patiently waiting to attend home games and being loud and proud of their student athletes. Finally, thank you for all the work and support that Athletic Director Chris Buczek and our Administrative team have provided to make this year's basketball season possible.

2021 Boys' Modified Basketball

Coach Tim Majka



The time crunch of a COVID shortened five game, three-week season put our young and inexperienced team (2 Eighth graders and 8 Seventh graders) behind the proverbial eight ball from day one. With only two returning players, we knew the short season

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may seem like a long one. However, to the credit of all our young Panthers, they came to practice every day eager to learn the game and willing to work. We ended up on the short end of the scoreboard in each of our games, but the boys competed hard to the end.

The victories this season at the modified level were measured by the improvement seen in each player from day one to our last game. Each player should be proud of how they worked, played, and conducted themselves all season. It was evident that all involved had fun and learned not only about the game of basketball, but also something about themselves.

I look forward to continuing the education of these young men in the game of basketball next season and to the addition of the boys from this year's sixth grade class. I would be remiss if I didn't mention the superb efforts and leadership of Sawyer Bradigan (8th grade) and Camryn Slade (7th grade). These two scored all the points we scored this season and were a positive force on and off the court.

2021 Boys' Varsity Basketball Team

Coach Robert Slisz



The 2021 Varsity Boys Basketball season was a fun ride. Between the sudden start, the COVID restrictions, and the up and down nature of the schedule, this was certainly a wild year.

The season began with 2 road games against tough opponents. Ellicottville had a strong year with a senior laden group and beat us game one. The boys responded in games 2 and 3 just barely losing to Catt-Little Valley and Franklinville. This propelled the team to 2 straight wins at home versus Forestville and Falconer, each by 26 points. The team went on a losing streak following those games, however, dropping their next 4 games to fall to 2-7. The game at North Collins was a wake-up call for the team. We had a team discussion about what we want our season to be, and how we want to play going forward. From that point on, the team was locked in, focused, and determined to change their season. They proceeded to end the regular season with a 4-game win streak, including a last second win in their rematch against North Collins. With 10 seconds to go and the score tied, Kordell Oakes inbounded the ball to Bryce Sercu, who passed it right back to Kordell for a foul and the game leading bucket. Then, on the foul shot, Kordell came down with his own rebound and scored again

to secure a 48-44 victory. This win proved instrumental, as it allowed us to have a coin toss for a home playoff game against North Collins once again.

We won the coin toss, but unfortunately, Covid protocols forced us to forfeit that playoff game, ending our season. While extremely disappointing, I was very proud at the growth I saw out of the individual player's skill sets as well as their mentality toward the sport this season. They went from a young group of players finding their way as athletes towards a much more focused and determined team unwilling to accept a loss of intensity at any moment. This drive will carry with them to other sports, next season, as well as their adult lives.

We had 4 all-stars this year. Kordell Oakes was a 1st team all-star, Bryce Sercu was a 2nd team all-star, and Wayne Libby and Cam Hayes were honorable mentions. Pine Valley had 3 double digit scorers, Kordell Oakes, Bryce Sercu, and Wayne Libby. Kordell Oakes had a 49.1 3-point percentage! Each improved their scorers as the year went along.

Travis West averaged 6.9 rebounds per game this season, while Cameron Hayes contributed 6.2 rebounds per game as well as averaging over a block per game. Their defensive presence was very important around the basket.

Donavon Gugliemi, Brendan Butcher, Evan Frontuto and Chris Moya game off the bench and contributed valuable minutes this season. Donavon added shooting to the offense, Evan became a defensive "pest" as well as came on later in the season as a scorer, while Brendan and Chris were key rotational pieces down low.

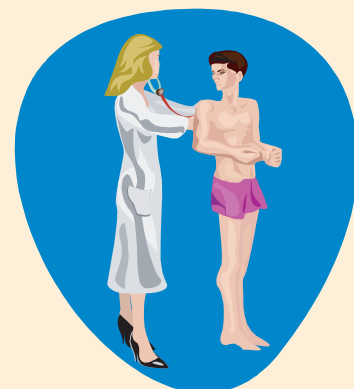
Chris King, Jesse Daniels, Owen Smith, and Devyn Logan provided a ton of energy all season this year when they entered the game as well as during practice. Their enthusiasm and energy is tough to replicate. Each improved immensely as the season went on also in all aspects of the game.

This team was a very young group with bright futures. Each athlete continued to improve as the season wore on both as a player and a person. They took on the challenge of participating in this hard year of athletics, battled through adversity and utilized the constructive criticism they received to keep progressing. I am very excited to see what this group of young men does after graduation for the 2021 seniors as well as next year for the 2021-2022 senior group!

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Fall Sports Physicals Mark Your Calendars!

Physicals for fall sports will be held on Thursday, August 12, from 8-10 am in the Jr./Sr. High School Health Office. (For all students who will be in grades 7-12 during the 2021-22 school year.)



2021 Lady Panther Modified Volleyball

Coach Karah Herman



What a year it has been, not only for me, but for everyone involved in athletics. I never imagined myself coaching volleyball, but here I am, first year volleyball coach and I was given a great group of girls to work with. This was a season that we will never forget. I could not be prouder of this team's hard work, dedication and their patience with me because I was learning this sport alongside of them. We finished our season 8-3 and ended on a 5-game winning streak.

My returning 8th graders include Olivia Lawton, Destiny Lindquist, Lizzie Roland, Sara Sunick and Madison Ebel. My first year 8th graders were Sarah Kruszka and Julianna Yasurek, who typically play soccer in the fall but took advantage of the different sport season due to COVID. And finally, my sole 7th grader was Kuepper Duke.

These girls came to practice every day focused and ready to work hard. We started off with the fundamentals of volleyball and as the season went on, we started to incorporate more complex scenarios and drills. We ran into a couple of hard losses, but the girls learned from their mistakes and always bounced back, pushing themselves to get better at every practice.

We had a lot of close sets and this group hates losing; but they were determined and worked hard to continuously come out with a win. I would like to thank the parents of these student athletes; I know it was hard for them to only attend home games and watch the away games on an electronic device.

I would like to give a shout out to Katie Hoth and Tara Hayes for helping me and answering my questions, our Athletic Director, Chris Buczek who a lot of help and the main reason was these girls had a coach this season. Thank you, Cathy Chase, our bus driver, Darlene Morrison and Dee Herman who were our site supervisors. Thank you, Robert Slisz who oversaw the scoreboard and Ryan Riley for always having the gym set up for us. Most importantly, a special thank you to Administration for allowing us to have a volleyball season and for making sure we were following the latest COVID restrictions. This season would not have been possible without everyone's help and support. Thanks again everyone!

2021 Lady Panther JV Volleyball

Coach Tara Hayes



What a crazy and fast ride this season has been! This season was a very nice opportunity for some of our students who normally play certain sports, like soccer and swimming, to have the opportunity to try volleyball. That being said, we had a very large task in front of us. We started the year with six players and ended with seven. One player moved back to JV, so we had enough players; two ladies returning from last year's team, two modified players, and three players who have never played volleyball before. Savannah moved back to play on the team because we needed a sixth player over break, thank you so much Savannah. I appreciate your love for this game and your positive attitude! Grace and Allyson

returned from last year's team and have made huge individual improvements this season, I am extremely proud of them both. Danica and Jessina came up from the modified team and are both forces to be recon with on the court. Haleigha, Sophia, and Luisa, I appreciate you stepping outside of your comfort zones and playing this season. Each player has improved very much and by the end of the season, I had so many referees and varsity players commend me on your efforts and improvement. This year has taught us many life lessons, the one I tried to teach and model the most was: we can't change others, but we can change how we react to others. I am beyond thankful to our Athletic Director, parents, Administration, and BOE for allowing our school to have this opportunity. Thank you to Sarah, Cameron, and Mr. Slisz for keeping the score table in order. A huge thank you to the site-supervisors Dee and Darlene, and to Ryan for always making sure the gym and building were ready and safe for the team. Finally, thank you to Coach Kaitlyn Hoth, I would never have made it through this season without you and your support.



2021 Spring Lady Panther Varsity Volleyball

Coach Kaitlyn Hoth



"Breathe, believe, and battle. My former coach, Troy Tanner, told us that before each match. Breathe – be in the moment. Believe – have faith that you can rise above it. Battle – you gotta be prepared to go for as long as it takes." – Kerri Walsh

I cannot believe it is already time to write this article. It was a fast moving, busy season, to say the least. I am grateful we were able to compete this Spring to make up for the time that was missed last fall. Unlike previous years, numbers were not a problem for this year's varsity volleyball team. Our team consisted of seven Seniors: Lyric Westlund, Morgan Sandy, Hannah O'Neil, Madison Meabon, Sierra Brown, Madisyn Herman, Kylie Bremiller; six Juniors: Chloe Lachut, Cassidy Vincent, Trista Farnham, Arianna Gozdzik, Mattison Cadle, Kelby Oakes; and one Sophomore, Kaitlin Hayes. Junior, Owen Ward was part of our team as a manager and he practiced with the girls every day, cheering them on at games. Senior, Sarah Crouse was also part of our team as our scorekeeper, thank you Sarah! Eighth grader, Danica Farnham also joined us for playoffs.

One word comes to my mind when I think of this year's Spring season: ADVERSITY. This season was unlike any other, whereas we normally have about two weeks of practice time before our first game, this year that time was cut in half. We knew we had to get to work immediately in the gym. The Panthers started off the season strong with two wins, one against Ellicottville and one against Salamanca. Following those 2 wins, the ladies struggled with consistency. Due to other activities, we had many practices without our entire team, another piece of adversity we had to overcome. In addition, we were forced to take a "pause" during our season, which left the final weeks of our season jam packed with 3-4 games every week. This was also new for the Panthers, in previous seasons we had time to improve our weaknesses during practices and after games. Despite all of this, the ladies persevered through the adversity and continued to work hard. I am beyond proud of the effort each one of them put in, even with all the obstacles we faced throughout the season.

The Panthers ended the regular season 7-7, which earned them the #7 seed for playoffs. A great deal of improvement was seen in all areas on the court. The Panthers became a more dominant

offensive force, improved their communication, and learned to use their energy as a force against their opponents. Unfortunately, the Panthers fell to Chautauqua Lake in the quarterfinals. The ladies put up a great defensive battle against the Thunderbirds.

Congratulations to Lyric Westlund who was chosen as a First-Team All-Star! Congratulations to Morgan Sandy and Kaitlin Hayes, who were chosen as Second-Team All-Stars! Thank you to all the parents and family members, scorekeeper Bobby Slisz, videographer Cameron Hayes, bus driver Deb Walker, Athletic Director, Chris Buczek. A heart felt thank you to Modified Coach, Karah Herman, Darlene Morrison, Dee Herman, Ryan Riley, the PV Administration, and all the support from the PV students and the community. A special thank you to JV Coach, Tara Hayes. Tara, you were always there when I need you! Whether I forgot a paper, needed advice during a game, or whatever it may be, you always had my back! I could not do this without you. Lastly, thank you to my team. I have said this before, and I will say it again, coaching is something I truly enjoy and will never give up despite my busy schedule. The moments I share with you all are ones I will never forget!

2021 Gowanda & Pine Valley Football

Coach Matt VanKoughnett



Pine Valley teamed up with Gowanda for an exciting spring football season. It was a season of learning as Coach Thompson implemented his new offense strategies, from which these athletes gained much knowledge and experience in such a short time. Unfortunately, the varsity record did not reflect the efforts and talent put forth by this team. This COVID season was not easy, but to the athletes who stuck it out and worked hard, I am proud of you! Fall is right around the corner and all the schemes they learned will still be fresh in their heads, and with that some great plays.

Modified was granted the opportunity to have the Great Coach Leous return to the field. Despite lack of size, the modified defense led up to a total of 16 point in the four games. We had three shut outs and our only loss was to Southwestern. The offense was able to put up 120 points in those same four games. There is a lot of young talent that will be returning in the fall and I look forward to a normal season with you guys next year.

Modified Softball 2021

Coach Karah Herman

What a year it has been not only for me, but everyone involved in athletics. I am so glad these girls got the season they deserved after missing out last year. I was given a great group of athletic softball players to work with, which is why we ended our season 9-1. I could not be any prouder of the hard work and effort these girls gave me every day. This was my first-year coaching softball, I was supposed to be the Varsity Assistant last year but unfortunately COVID-19 caused our season to only last a week. Because of that, this was everyone's first year playing softball for the school, while most of these girls have been playing together in little league. My 8th graders include Danielle West, Paige Hohl, Olivia Lawton, Destiny Lindquist, Lizzie Roland, Sarah Kruszka, Julianna Yasurek and Bell Kerr. While my 7th graders include Brooke Dustin-McCoy and Katie King. These girls came to practice every day focused and ready to work hard, while still laughing and having fun. We started off our season with two whole weeks to prepare for our first double-header. All season long these girls were aggressive at the plate and battling to get on base at every chance. We were a fast base stealing and run scoring team. We had a clean sweep of North Collins, Silver Creek, Randolph and Cattaraugus-Little Valley. We outscored our opponents 123 to 43. We split our double header with Gowanda, which was a hard game to play in the 40-degree wind and rain. We won our first game 6-2, but fell short in the second game, losing 2-7. Two weeks later these girls came alive on a nice warm Friday night at Silver Creek, when their bats were on fire and the teams had

a combined 3 home runs, 1 triple, 5 doubles, 23 singles, 17 RBI's with a total of 32 runs scored between the 2-5 inning games. These girls were also able to turn 3 double plays and only allotted 4 errors on the offensive side of the game. We finished out our season with a very competitive nail-bitter at home, but we came out on top of both games against Randolph,

winning the first game 3-1

and the second game 5-3. The strides these girls made throughout the season was tremendous and I cannot wait to continue to watch these girls grow and succeed on the field, they have a bright future playing softball. A huge shout out goes to Chris Buczek, our Athletic Director. Thank you to Chelsea Goodwin and Debbie Walker, our bus drivers for away games. Dee Herman our supervisor for our home games and Ryan Stefanik for taking care of our fields and making sure they were perfect and ready for game days. Most importantly, I would like to thank the Administration for everything that they do to make sure that these girls played softball, especially during this unprecedented time that we now have all lived through.

Thanks again everyone!

2021 JV Softball

Coach Szumagala

Even though the 2021 JV Softball season was shortened due to COVID, overall it was a success. Our respectable 6-4 record was a result of the hard work and dedication of every one of the players and their growth both in the physical and mental game. The roster for JV was fairly fluid this season, but there was a core of players that were with us the whole time. On the mound we had Haleigha Hardy and Alyssa West. Both girls improved in this area immensely and were regularly called upon to pitch entire games, sometimes knowing there was no one else who could. Haleigha's spin on her drop ball and consistency made her invaluable, while Alyssa's spin and control saved the day for many games.

The team started the year without a catcher and often borrowed Sydney Dahl from Varsity to help, but Kaitlyn Hayes quickly stepped up to fill that position. Kaitlyn did an amazing job blocking, completing throw downs and being a calm and collected

leader on the team. When our pitchers were not on the mound, they were usually occupying first base where they both did an excellent job. Molly Sunick did an amazing job at second base. At the beginning of the season, Danica Farnham was our short stop, but after only a couple games, she was moved up to Varsity. Then Danielle West joined our team and did an amazing job filling that demanding position. Third base was where you could find Jessina Miller. When she was there nobody wanted to even try going past her. In the outfield, we had a talented and speedy bunch. They all snagged pop flies, backed up the infield and put line drives quickly back in play. Because of their work, there were very few hits on other teams that made it far. Abby Green, Grace Pflueger, Abby Ellis, Zenobia Peck and Trinity Scinta all did an amazing job stopping those game changing plays. Not only could our girls put up a great defense, but they also were a commanding presence at the plate. All the girls learned how to calmly focus and whack the ball into the outfield or bunt and run when needed. Their baserunning was aggressive and this showed in the scores. Hard hitters like Alyssa West, Jessina Miller, Molly Sunick, and Danielle West not only could hit the ball to the fence, but they could do it consistently. By the end of the season, every girl was hitting the ball at nearly every at bat. It truly was a spectator's dream. As their coach this year, I could not be prouder of every one of these girls. Every girl contributed. Every girl grew. Every girl ended with confidence in their abilities. And every girl had fun, at least, I know I did.



Girls on the Run

By Coach Danielle Kelly and Coach Laura Osinski

We were so happy that we were able to participate in the Girls on the Run program this year amidst all the COVID-19 guidelines and regulations. Although there were some differences this year, the biggest being the length of the season, the girls were still able to gain all the valuable outcomes of the program. The Girls on the Run program is meant to inspire girls to recognize their inner strength and celebrate what makes them one of a kind. Through the program the girls' gain a better understanding of who they are, what is important to them and what they can accomplish. Through teamwork and building healthy relationships they gain an understanding of how they can have a positive impact on the world, while establishing a lifetime appreciation for health and fitness. The program culminates with the girls positively impacting their community through a service project and being physically and emotionally prepared to complete a celebratory non-competitive 5k event (3 miles). This year the 5k event was held at Delaware Park in Buffalo. The weather was beautiful and the girls did an amazing job! We are so proud of what these girls have accomplished not only during the 5k event but watching them grow through the season. Thank you to all parents and buddy runners who helped this season, we appreciate you!

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VFW Awards Pine Valley Students

The Commander, Joseph Westling of Pine Valley Memorial VFW Post 2522 hosted a luncheon to honor the winners of the Voice of Democracy, the Patriot's Pen and the Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher awards.



The 2020-2021 Voice of Democracy theme was, "Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned?" Winners from the Pine Valley Central School District are as follows:

1st place **Allyson Morey** - 10th Grade (she also took 1st place at county and at District 6 level).

2nd place **Cassidy Vincent** - 11th Grade

3rd place **Mattison Cadle** - 11th Grade

4th place **George Kruszka III** - 10th Grade

The 2020-2021 Patriot's Pen theme was, "What is Patriotism to Me?" **Danielle West** an 8th grader from Pine Valley was the first-place winner.

The Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher program was awarded to **Angela Bittinger**, a Social Studies Teacher in the Jr./Sr. High School at Pine Valley (she took 1st place at county and 2nd place at District 6 level).

We at Pine Valley would like to thank our Veterans for their sacrifices and their service to our country. Thank you!

Powersports-Motor Show

Matt VanKoughnett

At the beginning of the year I had a vision of creating a Powersports club because the community and students have a big interest. With the help of an amazing administration - Ms. Bryna Moritz Booth, Mrs. Kourtney Almedia and the School Board, we were able to get our club approved. After many fundraising discussions, the club landed on hosting a Motor Show. The club members reached out to Cockaigne about hosting the event (all the club officers work there) and Cockaigne was not only willing to host the event and donate the proceeds to us, but they were also gearing up to have powersport drag races and swap meets at the resort over the summer. It was the perfect fit!



The students immediately started making trophies and posters to send to the local businesses. All their hard work and preparation has paid off big time because the event went off without a hitch! We had 30 baskets donated by the community for our basket raffle. As far as who showed up for the Motor Show, we had 87 registrations for judging. Vehicles like antique snowmobiles or dirt bikes, three wheelers, cars, trucks, and even pulling garden tractors with V8's polished their paint and proudly displayed what they had. It was a wonder to see all the unique and beautiful equipment the area had to offer. The club invited the members from the Eden Chopper Class to help with the judging of all the classes, it was great to see them work together on that. Winners and classes are as follows:

Best Motorcycle- Eden Chopper Class- Raider Bike

Best Dirt Bike- Rich Smith- 91 YZ 250

Best Paint Job- Eden Chopper Class- SS Bike

Best Muscle Car- Dan Johnson -64 Nova

Best 4x4- Joe Rodney- 90 Mega Cab Army Truck

Best Three-Wheeler- Matt Miller- 85 350x

Best ATV- Damien Lewis- 04 KFX 400

Best Vintage Sled- Mark Radil- 67 Skidoo Olympic

Best Snowmobile- Justin Fuller- 95 Yamaha Vmax4

Best Rat Rod- Suzette- 54 Ford F100

Best Car- Greg Press- 85 London Roadster

Huge shout out to everyone who registered a vehicle...or three, we hope to see you again next year and bring some of your friends with you. As far as Cockaigne goes, you guys rock, thank you for having us. The resort was the perfect place to host the Motor Show and we look forward too many more events with you in the future. To all our friends, family and administration that supported us by coming and/or donated baskets, we thank you! To the club members, you guys crushed it and I'm proud of you all!

Mr. V.

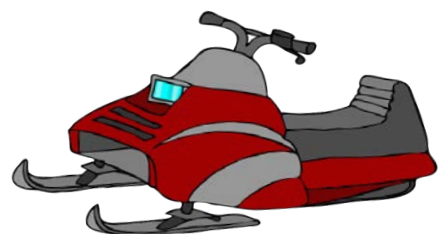
Club Officers

President- David Hunt

Vice President- Hunter Stewart

Treasurer – Brendon Butcher

Secretary- Wayne Libby



Pine Valley Central School District
Annual Health Information Update
School Year 2020-2021

TO BE COMPLETED BY **PARENT / GUARDIAN** AND RETURNED TO PVCS SCHOOL NURSE ASAP

Student's Name _____ Grade _____

Please complete the following checklist and give details below (attach any additional pertinent information).

Does the student currently or had in the past year, any of the following conditions?

	YES	NO		YES	NO
Allergies (seasonal, food, environmental, medication, insect)			Headaches/Migraines		
Behavioral issues			Heart Condition or treatment		
Contagious illness/infectious illness			Hepatitis		
Anemia (include Sick Cell)			High Blood Pressure		
Arthritis (rheumatoid conditions, scleroderma)			Learning Difficulties (ADD/ADHD/other)		
Asthma (give details below)			Mononucleosis or other viral illness		
Back / Neck Injury			Orthopedic (skeletal injury, treatment, surgery)		
Bladder / Kidney Disease			Psychiatric or psychological issues & treatment		
Bleeding / Clotting Disorder			1. anxiety, depression		
Cancer			2. psychosis		
Chickenpox			Surgery		
Convulsions or Seizures			Speech Evaluation and Therapy		
Diabetes or Hypoglycemia [low blood sugar]			Vision Impairment or correction		
Head Injury (Concussion/ loss of consciousness)			Weight related issues (eating disorder, obesity)		
Hearing Loss/Correction & Evaluation			Other		

Please give details and dates to all the above marked **YES**. _____

Is the student currently under any kind of **medical care or treatment**? ____ YES ____ NO

Explain _____

Is the student taking any **medication** on a regular basis (prescription or non-prescription)? ____ YES ____ NO

List the medication, dose, times and reasons for taking. _____

Contact the school nurse to decide for any meds to be given in school.

Has the student received the following immunizations or boosters since last reporting to school?

Please provide dates below & follow-up with written documentation from your physician

Meningitis: _____ Gardasil Series _____

Date of last Physical exam _____ Physician _____ Phone _____

Date of last Dental exam _____ Dentist _____ Phone _____

Health Insurance (Name of company) _____

Describe any **modifications or restrictions** that are needed to accommodate your child's health or safety.

Is there any other information that you would like the nurse to know? _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Your signature authorizes nurse to share health information with school staff on a "need to know" basis.

When you have a concern or new information related to your child's health or safety, please call or email Elementary School Nurse Mrs. Bukoskey at (716) 988-3291 ext: 3325 {kbukoskey@pval.org} or

Jr. /Sr. High School Nurse Mrs. Kenney at (716) 988-3276 ext: 4324{jkenney@pval.org}.





Physical Examination Requirements for the School Year 2021-2022.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN GRADES UPK, K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11

Education Law Article 19 and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require physical examinations of public school students: • Entering the school district for the first time, and in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 and at any grade level by school administration, in their discretion to promote the educational interests of the student (8 NYCRR § 136.3[b]); • to participate in strenuous physical activity, such as interscholastic athletics (8 NYCRR § 135.4(c)(7)(i)(e) and 136.3(a)(8)); • upon student's request for an employment certificate (Education Law §3217); and • when conducting an initial evaluation or reevaluation of a student suspected of having a disability or a student with a disability (8 NYCRR § 200.4[b]). We recommend that this examination be made by your family health care provider who knows your child best. If you have any questions about Physical Examinations, please contact the School Health Staff. Health examination forms are available in our main offices or from our website (www.pval.org): Elementary School → Nurse → Student Health Examination Form or Jr./Sr. High School → Nurse → District Health Office Forms → Student Health Examination Form

Immunizations Required for School Attendance

Vaccination Requirements Applicable to All Students. New York State Public Health Law, Section 2164 requires that schools will not permit a child to attend school unless the parent provides the school with a certificate of immunization or proof from a physician, nurse practitioner or physician's assistant that the child is in the process of receiving the required immunizations.

Children will not be permitted to attend school without the necessary immunizations.

Parents/guardians, a record of your child's immunizations from your health care provider, health department, or official copy of the immunization record from the child's previous school (a copy of the original immunization record from the healthcare provider – not a copy of the school health record) is acceptable. A NYSIIS/NYCIR record is also acceptable. The exact date each immunization was given must be included in the record. A chart detailing the required immunizations may be viewed at: www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370

The required immunizations can be obtained from your family health care provider or your county health department at:

Chautauqua County Health Department
716-753-4491

Cattaraugus County Health Department
716-701-3599

Bring the immunization record to the School Health Office. It will be copied and returned to you. If you have questions or concerns about immunizations, please contact the School Health Staff.

Medications at school:

The school nurse will give no medications during school hours without a written Medication Order from a Physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician's Assistant. Prescription and non-prescription (over the counter) medications require a written medication order from a licensed prescriber. Do not send Over-the-counter medications: Tylenol (Acetaminophen), Advil (Ibuprofen), cold medicine (tablets or liquid), allergy medicine, eye drops or other medications to school unless a written medication order is included. Prescription medications: inhalers, antibiotics, ADD or ADHD meds and other prescription medications will not be given without a written medication order. **Medications will not be sent on the bus. Parents must bring the medication to the Health Office.**

Medication administration forms (Provider and Parent Permission to Administer Medication at School/School Sponsored Events and Provider Attestation and Parent Permission for Independent Medication Carry and Use) are available in our Health Offices or from our website.

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A Farewell After Two Years Together

~Mrs. Christina Lyndsley 4th Grade

I just wanted to take this moment to say **Thank You** to my students, parents and families. This has been an interesting two years to say the least. We have overcome some challenging obstacles over these past months, but we did it together. The class of 2029 will always hold a very special place in my heart. When I was informed that I was changing grade levels after teaching third grade for twelve years, I panicked! However, I couldn't have asked for a better class to move up with. You have made the transition exciting and most certainly bearable! Each of you has made an impact on me and I'm honored to have gotten to know you so well over these past two years. Not only have you met the challenges of social-distancing, masks and staying in the room, but you managed zoom meetings, emails, texting homework, tech support phone calls, and isolation from the outside world. You have overcome obstacles we thought would be too challenging and you made it look easy. You gave up daily group work and flexible seating and traded it for staying at your seat working alone all day. You did it without grumbling... *much*... and eventually you did it with a smile. I appreciate the efforts each one of you put in. I am most certainly proud of your integrity. All my past students know that's my buzz word. If you only remember



one thing from my class, make it integrity. Be your best self even when no one is looking. We've shared many great memories in this room, but I know you're ready to shine brighter in 5th grade. You're ready! Now that you know how to make a flashlight, you will never be left in the dark. Remember to think about others and how you make them feel. And always help the next one in line. Best Wishes to you ALL!

Some of my best memories

include: Minecraft Zoos in third grade, thinking like a scientist in all our Mystery Science experiments (especially flashlight problem solving and selection from third grade), Revolutionary War studies, long division, Pop Its, reading on mats outside in the shade, Zoom games, writing stories, playing *That's Debatable*, our morning conversations, sweeping up ants, Flashback Four, Humphrey, Winn Dixie, Garrett's tractor, Zachary's stories about fishing, Megan's silly brother stories, Jon's gigantic long division problems, Gabe's quick mechanical mind and problem solving abilities, Victoria's laugh and bag of fidget items, Scarlett's horse adventures, Ashlynn's awesome trip after school, Connor's silly narrative story about Rosy the Pug, Adrienne's afternoon alarm, and McKayla's incredible insight about why we make the choices we do. You are **all** incredible and I'm so proud of you! Happy Summer!