



Cougar Nation News

November 2023

Dear IV Families,

Fall is off to an amazing start. Illinois Valley High School continues to demonstrate excellence across academic, artistic, and athletic endeavors.

In Academics IVHS students participated in both the SAT and PSAT examinations. Our Mathletes team went on its first field trip to Southern Oregon University, and representatives from Oregon State University came to visit our school.

In the Arts the IVHS Fall concert was an amazing success, and the IV Marching Band performed during halftime at the football game vs Glide. Under the guidance of new band and music teacher Emily Warren, IV also has 6 students who have qualified for both local and regional honor bands!

Cougar Athletics is continuing its march toward greatness. Cross Country will again be sending runners on to state. Please check ParentSquare and social media for more information and departure times. Under new head coach Jonathan Reece, Cougar Football has also secured a playoff spot, and we will share more information once the regular season concludes.

To continue our goal of creating more connections in the community IVHS hosted a Blood Drive in October, as well as hosting the monthly meeting of the IV Schools and Community Partners Meeting. Our advisory classes continue to work on developing both community and interpersonal skills, because at IV we value Ourselves, Our Community, and A Better Future!

Please come visit us during conferences on Wednesday and Thursday night from 4:30pm to 7:30pm, and on Friday morning from 8:00am to 12:00pm!

Best regards,
Justin Wright, Principal





Fun times @ I.V High!



ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

JUSTIN WRIGHT, PRINCIPAL * ERICA BUTLER, ASST. PRINCIPAL/AD * SHERI LARSON, OFFICE MGR.

Dear Parent or Guardian of Student Athletes:

I wish to inform you of a sports financial assistance program called Every Kid Sports in which any student receiving Medicare, WIC or SNAP will qualify. If you have a student that will be involved in an upcoming sport you can apply online and the program will pay \$45 of the \$55 fee, you pay only \$10. You must **apply as soon as possible after November 1, 2023**. The process seems to **work best on a computer** rather than a phone for some reason. This is not a guaranteed payment, the sooner you apply the better your chances of being approved, because they have a limited amount of funds.

To apply go to: everykidsports.org

Click "The Pass" go down a ways and choose "apply!" and fill out the application, it only takes about five minutes to apply.

Below is some information you may need for the application:

- How did you hear about The Pass? – School District
- The dates your sport starts and ends:
 - Basketball - November 13, 2023 – February 9, 2024
 - Wrestling - November 13, 2023 – February 25, 2024
 - Cheer - November 13, 2023 – March 4, 2024
- Hours of participation per week: 18
- Organization hosting your sport: Illinois Valley High School
- Schools website: <http://iv.3riverssd.org>
- Contact person: Joan McCaslin
joan.mccaslin@threerivers.k12.or.us 541-592-2116
- Cost of sport registration: \$55
- Grant amount requested: \$45

You will need to attach and submit your Medicare, WIC or SNAP information to your Every Kid Sports application. Funds are not available for previous sports participation. Once approved, typically within 8 – 11 days, ChekSpend will email you a digital debit card number, you **must call me** with that number and I will credit you your grant amount. If you don't receive it, check your spam or trash.

Every Kid Sports has a help site: <https://help.everykidsports.org/>

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Apply for over 250 scholarships through one application!

No matter your plans after high school - trade school, community college, apprenticeship, university - there are scholarships for you!

The Redwood Local Scholarship Application opens November 1st!



\$6,600

Average award for IVHS students in 2023

Application Process



1. Local Application

The main application will ask for demographic and financial information, personal essays, an activities chart, and letters of recommendation to match you to most scholarships.

Due: Friday, February 9 at 5:00 pm

2. Additional Essays

Some scholarships have additional essays or application requirements. You will be prompted to fill these out when you submit the main application.

Due: Friday, March 1 at 5:00 pm



Scan code to access application!

Don't wait, request letters of recommendation and start your application today!



www.redwoodforeducation.org

If you have any questions, reach out to us or contact your school's career center.

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Grants Pass, OR 97526

Mailing address:

PO Box 1598
Grants Pass, OR 97528

Phone: 541-476-2196

Email: scholarships@redwoodforeducation.org



SKULL DONATIONS NEEDED



IVHS ART PROGRAM

THE IVHS ART PROGRAM IS LOOKING FOR ANIMAL SKULLS FOR OUR DRAWING/PAINTING CLASSES. THESE SKULLS WILL BE USED AS ARTISTIC REFERENCES FOR STUDENTS.

Are you pursuing a trade, vocational, or technical career after high school?

Apply for up to 10 different scholarships through one application!

The Redwood Trade Scholarship Application opens November 1st!



Trade Application Process

The trade application will ask for demographic and financial information, one personal statement, and letters of recommendation to match you to scholarships.

Due: Friday, February 9 at 5:00 pm

Over
\$40,000
in scholarships

What qualifies as a trade?

A trade is a career that requires specialized skills, typically gained through vocational school or apprenticeships rather than 4-year degrees. Examples of trades can include, but are not limited to: electrician, carpenter, plumber, automotive tech, welding and fabrication, dental assistant, medical assistant, pharmacy tech, massage therapist, cosmetologist, veterinary tech, firefighter, tattoo artist, culinary artist, etc.



Scan code to access application!

Apply early for a chance to win \$1,000!
Early Bird Deadline: January 26 at 5:00 pm



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