

Illinois Valley High School
Site Council (December/November)
12/11/2025 - 8:30 AM

1. Welcome - Present: Sheri Larson, Erin Rodman, Crystal Welch, Carrie Catterall
 - a. Absent: Erik Lathen, Jordan Anderson, Amy Schell-Lapora
 - b. Last month's minutes were reviewed and approved.
2. Review of the previous month
 - a. December/November theme - November was gratitude ~ students gave heartfelt shout outs to their teachers and received a crème pie. December's theme is Snow much fun. The students are playing reindeer games.
 - b. 3R/climate and culture update-
 - i. Positive Notes - going very well. There were 20 notes in 20 days competition. We will have another one after the holidays.
 - ii. Numbers update – As of December 11, 3023 positive notes have been sent out.
 - iii. RED – There is a huge increase in RED notes. Students are very sincere about writing RED notes to staff
 - c. Activities update -
 - i. OSAA sports- November ended football, boys' and girls' soccer & volleyball.
 - ii. Advisory and Friendsgiving – The day before Thanksgiving break, we had Friendsgiving in advisory. Students told what they were thankful for and had pumpkin pie.
 - iii. Spelling BEE – Paige Paul placed 2nd and Morgan Clark place 3rd district wide. We are very proud of them for representing IVHS so well!!
 - d. Academic update
 - i. Incompletes - We have had a slight uptick in incompletes. Students will have a couple weeks after break to pull their grades up.
 - ii. Conferences – Theme was something to “TACO” bout. We had an excellent turn out this year. We served taco's (big hit) Thursday night.
 - iii. Attendance Initiatives – For the month of November we had a competition for attendance. Class vs Class...sophomores won. They were release early for lunch for a week. For December is the next competition. If the class has a 90% or better attendance, the staff is wearing a wig for the week. It's called the big wig contest.
 - e. Community Pow Wow – The pow wow was a hit. They had several 100 people show up.
3. What is on the Horizon
 - a. Winter break approaching - School is out December 19 ~ and students will return January 5.
 - b. Valley Holiday Gathering – Staff from IVHS, LBMS, and EV will have a holiday gathering December 18 at the Stoney Front.
 - c. Sports and activities-

- i. Sports – The winter sports are boys' and girls' basketball and boys and girls wrestling
 - ii. Last day before break – This will be an activity day where we have classes 1-7 In the morning. Then an assembly and student activities in the afternoon. There will be a gingerbread house competition, Mr. Lathen tells a funny staff "Twas the Night Before Christmas", cookie decoration, and movies.
 - iii. Advisory-The gingerbread contest is through Advisory.
 - d. Scheduling 2nd semester update – Mrs. Hipps will change her prep to 4th period; Scott will change to 7th. Hopefully this will even out class sized.
 - e. Learning walks and its Reflection - Jaime Szijarto put this together. Teachers went to other classrooms to see how other teachers handle their classes. Teachers enjoyed it and got lots of ideas
 - f. Accreditation Survey - We are in the middle of preparing our information to turn in.
 - i. Thoughts? -
 - ii. SIP –Discusses the School Improvement Plan and explained what it is.
 - g. New Positions - Night Custodian ~ We hired Dylon Hall as the night custodian. He will work M-Th from 4:00 PM to 10:30 PM. He is replacing Mike Mier
 - h. School Board Appreciation-. In January we will do something for the school board. A sign or?
4. Council recommendations- A question was asked about how to sign up to attend Booster Club and Senior Parent Grad Night Parth group.