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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE- JAMIE ONGMAN

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Wow, it's the end of the first semester, it goes fast! IVHS has had a very productive first half of the year highlighted by exceeding our attendance goal of 94%. We hope to continue this trend in the second half of the 2015-2016 school year, and then end the year at a cumulative minimum student attendance of 94%. The following are a few things that are coming or have concluded:

**Finals Week:** The week of February 1st through the 4th is finals week. The schedule looks a little different on Wednesday (Feb. 3rd) and Thursday (Feb.4th). On Wednesday students will be completing finals in periods 1,3,5,and 7 and then finishing on Thursday in periods 2,4 and 6. Additionally, at the end of the day on Thursday students will be receive their second semester schedules in their crew teachers classrooms. In order for a quick and seamless transition into the second semester we will be adding students that need schedule changes to a calendar that the counseling department will reference. These course changes are for those students that are in "need" of a class change, not students that are in "want". Please ask your student at the end of finals week for their schedule, if there's an issue or if you have questions please contact Ms. Underwood or Mrs. Thornhill in the counseling office.

**School Accreditation:** This year Illinois Valley High School is up for Accreditation renewal. This is a certification from the state that happens every five years which allows our students access to postsecondary colleges and universities. Part of the accreditation process is a survey that is completed by our parents. We will be sending these surveys home with your student the first of the second semester, additionally we will also be emailing a link to take the survey electronically to the emails that you provide on your student's enrollment packet. Either way, please be looking for the survey as your feedback is valuable to our accreditation process. If you would rather take the survey here at the school, we will have options for parents and community members to take the survey and enter a basketball game free with completion of the survey. Thanks in advance for your help!!!

**Attendance and Tardy Policy:** In an effort encourage and support student attendance and punctuality IVHS has established a new attendance and tardy policy. This policy is in accordance to state law around attendance as well as the district. The policy is as follows:


Unexcused Tardies

- 3rd, 5th, and 7th Tardies.....Lunch Detention
- 9th and 11th Tardies.....In School Suspension
- 13th + Tardies.....Parent and student meeting with Administration for additional consequences.

Additional Consequences may be extra lunch detention, In School Suspension, Out of School Suspension, revocation of ability to park on campus, or behavior contract.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact:  
Tanner Smith, Vice Principal at Illinois Valley High School (541) 592-2116.

*We appreciate your assistance in the encouragement of your student's attendance as well as being on time to class!!*

  
Jamie Ongman, Principal

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**Our Mission:**

*Is to provide a safe and stimulating learning community for all students.*



**Our Vision:**

*Is to empower individuals to reach their greatest potential as productive citizens and lifelong learners.*

# COUGAR NEWS.....



## ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH JANUARY



ADRIANA FLORES

9TH GRADE

JOSHUA DEJESUS

10TH GRADE



JOSE DIAS  
MARTINEZ

11TH GRADE

AVERY NEVILLE

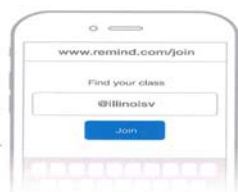
12TH GRADE



2016 Winter Ball  
"Frozen"  
Saturday,  
February 20th  
8:30 - 11:30 P.M.  
Tickets on sale now!!!  
Single - \$15  
Couple - \$22



J. Ongman would like for you to join Illinois Valley High School on Remind for class updates.



1. GO TO THIS LINK ON YOUR PHONE OR COMPUTER  
**remind.com/join**

2. ENTER THIS CLASS CODE TO JOIN  
**@illinoisv**

Don't have a smart phone or computer? Sign up by sending a text message to 81010 with the message @illinoisv.

**What is Remind and what makes Remind safe?**

**Remind is a free communication platform built for teachers.**

**Remind allows teachers to safely and efficiently communicate with students & parents about important classroom information and school activities. Participants sign up as a student or parent and choose to receive messages by text, email, or in our app.**

**We know that privacy and security are important issues when dealing with teacher-to-student and teacher-to-parent communication. We have worked hand in hand with administrators and teachers to design key product features based on those concerns.**

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

## IMMEDIATE UPDATE:

### Oregon Immunization Partners

Senate Bill 895 made a change to school immunization law this year: old religious exemptions signed prior to March 2014 are no longer valid. Options for parents of children with old religious exemptions include:

1. Provide documentation of immunization, or
2. Complete the new process for a nonmedical exemption by getting education from a health care practitioner or from the online video available at [www.healthoregon.org/vaccineexemption](http://www.healthoregon.org/vaccineexemption)

This is a great opportunity for clinics to discuss vaccines with parents who claimed an exemption for their child years ago.

Want more information about how Senate Bill 895 affects clinics? Click here: <http://public.health.oregon.gov/PreventionWellness/VaccinesImmunization/GettingImmunized/Documents/SchSB895FAQprov.pdf>

The notice of temporary administrative rulemaking can be found here: <http://public.health.oregon.gov/PreventionWellness/VaccinesImmunization/RulesLaws/Documents/Law333-050NoticetoIntrstParties.pdf>

Please contact either IVHS at (541) 592-2116 or our school district at (541) 862-3111; if you have questions or concerns.



## COMMUNICATIONS: SYNERVOICE—AUTOMATED VOICE MESSAGING & ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATIONS

We will use **Synervoice** to send out important messages about school closures and school events. When you get a call from the school using **Synervoice**, it is important that you say "Hello" as this triggers the message. If you have voicemail, it will leave a message. If you have email registered with the school, we will often send emails as well.

At this time, our Attendance Clerk, Tani Becker, personally follows up on absences on a daily basis. If your student missed all or part of school, please call the school by the next morning to clear your student's absences. The number is 541-592-2116; ask for the attendance office. You may also send Ms. Becker an email to verify or excuse an absence or tardy: [tani.becker@threerivers.k12.or.us](mailto:tani.becker@threerivers.k12.or.us). *It is very important for you and your student to have these absences cleared. Students will receive a disciplinary referral for un-cleared absences.*

## COUGAR CHATTER

- **Ms. Goodwin will be starting a Running Club after our Holiday break... Please see her in counseling for more information.**
- **Oregon Battle of the Books is gearing up and preparing for our regional competition in the Spring. Keep Reading.**
- **Some students have fines / unreturned books that need to be cleared up. You will not receive a diploma at your graduation, unless you have cleared these issues. See Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Stehelin to find out if you owe for anything. We are able to receive payments by phone or in person, using your debit or credit MasterCard, VISA, Discover, or American Express.**
- **Pre-Order your Yearbook now for a special price of \$45.00. See Office or Ms. Muniz for details.**

## IVHS STUDENT-BASED HEALTH CENTER NEWS

### SPORTS PHYSICAL INFORMATION:

ALL SPORTS PHYSICALS WILL COST \$25. THIS PRICE IS GOOD ALL THE TIME, AND AVAILABLE AT ALL SISKIYOU COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER SITES. THIS INCLUDES THE SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS, THE CLINICS IN CAVE JUNCTION AND GRANTS PASS, AND SISKIYOU'S WALK-IN CLINIC IN GRANTS PASS.

PHYSICALS NEED TO BE COMPLETED OR UPDATED IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SPORTS. CALL OR STOP BY THE HEALTH CENTER TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT!



# SPORTS CALENDAR

**Bruce Reece, Athletic Director**  
**Heather Merrill, Athletic Secretary**

For additional dates, times, and locations please  
 click on the following link:

[Illinois Valley High School Events Calendar](#)

Illinois Valley Multiple Activities Schedule  
 (as of 01-29-2016)



Day	Date	Activity	Time	Versus	Location	Location Detail
Mon	02/01/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Tue	02/02/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
<b>Tue</b>	<b>02/02/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Boys JV Game</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>Roque River</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	IVHS GYM
<del>Tue</del>	<del>02/02/2016</del>	<del>Basketball: Girls JV Game</del>	<del>4:00pm</del>	<del>Roque River</del>	<del>Illinois Valley High School</del>	<del>Illinois Valley High School</del>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>02/02/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Girls Varsity Game</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Roque River</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	Illinois Valley High School
<b>Tue</b>	<b>02/02/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Boys Varsity Game</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Roque River</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	Illinois Valley High School
Wed	02/03/2016	Speech/Debate: Varsity MEET	TBD	Away vs. Hidden Valley	Hidden Valley High School	
Wed	02/03/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity MEET	4:00pm	Away vs. Pleasant Hill, Glide, Illinois Valley	Pleasant Hill High School	
Thu	02/04/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Fri	02/05/2016	Equestrian: Varsity MEET	TBD	Away vs. TBA	Jackson County Fairgrounds	
Fri	02/05/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity Tournament	10:00am	Away vs. Cottage Grove	Cottage Grove High School	
Fri	02/05/2016	Basketball: Girls JV Game	3:00pm	Away vs. Cascade Christian	Cascade Christian High School	
Fri	02/05/2016	Basketball: Boys JV Game	4:30pm	Away vs. Cascade Christian	Cascade Christian High School	
Fri	02/05/2016	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game	6:00pm	Away vs. Cascade Christian	Cascade Christian High School	
Fri	02/05/2016	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game	7:30pm	Away vs. Cascade Christian	Cascade Christian High School	
Sat	02/06/2016	Equestrian: Varsity MEET	TBD	Away vs. TBA	Jackson County Fairgrounds	
Sat	02/06/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity Tournament	8:00am	Away vs. Cottage Grove	Cottage Grove High School	
Sat	02/06/2016	Basketball: Boys JV Game	12:00pm	Away vs. Sweet Home	Sweet Home High School	
Sat	02/06/2016	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game	12:00pm	Away vs. Sweet Home	Sweet Home High School	
Sat	02/06/2016	Basketball: Girls JV Game	2:00pm	Away vs. Sweet Home	Sweet Home High School	
Sat	02/06/2016	Basketball: Boys Varsity Game	2:00pm	Away vs. Sweet Home	Sweet Home High School	
Sun	02/07/2016	Equestrian: Varsity MEET	TBD	Away vs. TBA	Jackson County Fairgrounds	
Mon	02/08/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Tue	02/09/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Tue	02/09/2016	Basketball: Girls JV Game	4:00pm	Away vs. Lost River	Lost River High School	
Tue	02/09/2016	Basketball: Girls Varsity Game	5:00pm	Away vs. Lost River	Lost River High School	
Wed	02/10/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Thu	02/11/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
<b>Fri</b>	<b>02/12/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Girls JV Senior Night</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>
Fri	02/12/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity District Regionals	5:00pm	Away vs. Cascade Christian	Cascade Christian High School	
<b>Fri</b>	<b>02/12/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Girls Varsity Senior Night</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	Illinois Valley High School
<b>Fri</b>	<b>02/12/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Boys JV Senior Night</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	Lorna Byrne Middle School
<b>Fri</b>	<b>02/12/2016</b>	<b>Basketball: Boys Varsity Senior Night</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>Illinois Valley High School</b>	Illinois Valley High School
Sat	02/13/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity District Regionals	10:00am	Away vs. Cascade Christian	Cascade Christian High School	
Mon	02/15/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Tue	02/16/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Wed	02/17/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Thu	02/18/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Fri	02/19/2016	Speech/Debate: Varsity MEET	TBD	Away vs. University of Oregon	University of Oregon	
Fri	02/19/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Sat	02/20/2016	Speech/Debate: Varsity MEET	TBD	Away vs. University of Oregon	University of Oregon	
Mon	02/22/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Tue	02/23/2016	Wrestling	3:30pm-5:30pm			IVHS Wrestling Room
Fri	02/26/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity State	8:00am	Away vs. TBA	Memorial Coliseum	
Sat	02/27/2016	Wrestling: Boys Varsity State	8:00am	Away vs. TBA	Memorial Coliseum	



## Illinois Valley High School 21st Century Enrichment After School Programs

The following classes have been provided by a grant through the 21st Century Learning Center. Classes are open to I.V. *High School students, Lorna Byrne Middle School Students, Home Schooled students at the level of 9th-12th grades, and students enrolled in a registered GED program.* Parents and relatives of any of these eligible students are also welcome to participate

**All after school classes begin at 3:30 PM and end at 5:30 PM**

**Meal is provided for all after school classes.**

### **Before School Homework Help**

**Mondays—Thursday 7:00—7:30 AM**

### **Tuesdays**

- ◆ Homework Help

### **Mondays**

- ◆ Yoga for Athletes
- ◆ Vocational Welding
  - ◆ Wood Shop
  - ◆ Board Games
  - ◆ Sewing

### **Wednesdays**

- ◆ Health Cooking
  - ◆ Vocational Welding
  - ◆ *Wood Shop*
  - ◆ *Art*

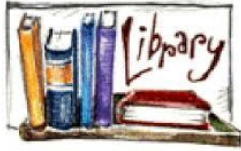
### **Thursdays**

- ◆ Homework Help
- ◆ Battle of the Books
- ◆ SAT/College Prep
- ◆ Cooking w/Laura—*Home Cooked Whole Foods*

All classes are held at **Illinois Valley High School**, 625 E. River Street, Cave Junction, OR 97523

Coordinator: **Sara Creek**, (sara.creek@threerivers.k12.or.us),

For more information, send an email or call, 541-592-2116.



# LIBRARY BOOKS FOR ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL



Reading is the most important skill a child can learn. It is vital to every child's success and it is the door opener to the 21<sup>st</sup> century for all children. No matter how advanced technology becomes, reading will continue to be the key that helps kids master all others.

When kids get older they are easily distracted. Reading often takes a backseat to other pursuits and interests. However, the more a child reads, the more confident and skilled they become. Motivating a child to keep reading and to understand and think critically and creatively about what they have read are the end goals.

So, head to the library, the bookstore, the Goodwill, or any place where books are sold. Get more involved in reading, reading to each other and reading aloud. Together we can make a difference in kid's lives that will last a lifetime. We invite and encourage all the members of our community to READ! READ! READ!

With these thoughts in mind, our local Grants Pass bookstore, **Oregon Books & Games**, is a jewel.

- They will contribute **5%** of all purchases to **Illinois Valley High School**, if the customer requests **IVHS** to be the recipient of the contribution.
- The customer must request **IVHS** at the time of payment in order for our library to receive the gift certificate.
- In return, the library will use the money to purchase new books.
- As an added convenience, people may order online at [www.oregonbooks.com](http://www.oregonbooks.com) and pick up their purchases in the store.
- Don't forget to designate **IVHS** when paying. The bookstore does not have the ability to accept payments online but will accept credit card payments over the phone; remember to mention **IVHS**. They will mail your purchase for a fee if you are unable to pick up at the store.

**Oregon Books & Games** is a full-service community bookstore that has served our area for more than twenty years. They feature a full range of books for young children, teens and adults. Book choices include mystery and adventure novels, fantasy, romance, graphic novels, and the latest bestsellers from more than 100 publishers.

For more information, please contact the **IVHS Librarian, Trudy Stehelin**, or, you may contact Oregon Books Games directly at:

150 NE "E" Street  
Grants Pass, OR  
541-476-3132  
[www.oregonbooks.com](http://www.oregonbooks.com)



# FOOD DELIVERY

## During School Hours



It is always our goal to help students learn, succeed, and thrive, and, as parents/guardians, you know that healthy eating is one tool that is beneficial.

We encourage our students to eat during the regularly scheduled breakfast and lunch times. We do understand that there may be times when this does not work as planned. As a supplemental time, the school schedule provides a morning break, and, for most of the week, an afternoon break, which allows students to grab a quick snack or drink, should they choose to.

If you need to bring food/drink to the school for your student, please understand that there is a guideline in place that will not allow class time to be disrupted.

### The process of how food and/or drinks are delivered to students during regular class time hours will be as follows:

- ⇒ **ANY** food or drink brought to the school for a student will be delivered at a break time (morning or afternoon), or at the beginning of lunch.
- ⇒ Food/drinks left for student athletes, or, students going on a school-sponsored field trip, will be able to pick up **BETWEEN** classes, or, on their way out to the bus.
- ⇒ **NO** food or drink will be delivered to a student during **ANY** class time periods.
- ⇒ **Please pay close attention to the daily lunch time when delivering your student food. Allow enough time for him/her to eat what you have brought, without being tardy to the next class.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

# Cell Phone Policy



## During School Hours

We encourage ALL parents/guardians and students to adhere to the Three Rivers School District/ Illinois Valley High School policy regarding the use of cell phones during school hours.

Students are allowed to carry their cell phones on their person while on school campus. While in class, however, students are asked to keep their phones in either their backpack or locker. Certain circumstances **MAY** allow the use of cell phones in the classroom with permission.

Students are **NOT** allowed to use their cell phones while in the office.

If you need to contact your student during school hours, please contact the school, we will get a message for him/her to call you as soon as the current class is done. If it is an urgent situation, or an emergency, we will get your student to the office at that time.

**The following is a brief guide for basic cell phone usage. Please refer to the student handbook for detailed information, or, contact the office.**

### Cell phones CAN be used:

- Before/After school
- During lunch time and morning/afternoon break
- Special classroom assignments **ONLY** where permission is granted.

### Cell phones CANNOT be used:

- **DURING CLASS TIME** (Including but not limited to texting, social media, internet surfing, photographing/recording).
- **IN THE OFFICE** (Students may use the office phone to call a parent for emergency purposes only).

# THE ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

## ON-LINE RESOURCES

### YEAR-ROUND ON-LINE STUDY RESOURCES AVAILABLE



**ON-LINE SUPPORT TO HELP YOUR STUDENT KEEP THE SKILLS LEARNED, IN SHAPE. LIKE EXERCISING YOUR MUSCLES ON A DAILY OR WEEKLY BASIS, SO TOO DOES THE BRAIN NEED ITS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. THE FOLLOWING WEB SITES ARE PROVIDED TO ASSIST WITH THE "SUMMER BRAIN EXERCISE" ROUTINE.**

#### My student doesn't understand their homework . . . now what?

We have all been in the situation where our students don't understand the homework and we are trying to dust off the files in our head to remember how to do that math problem or remember what happened in this historic battle. It can be frustrating for both the student and the parent to get through the homework. In today's world full of technology students have numerous resources available to help them re-learn the concepts. The following are just three of the many sites available.

**Khan Academy** – [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org) This website has over 4,000 videos on subjects from geometry to chemistry to computer science. This is a great tool that actually reteaches the material step by step. Many times hearing the concept explained by someone else makes that light bulb turn on and the student understands. Interactive practice is also available to solidify the concepts.

**Sophia** – [www.sophia.org](http://www.sophia.org) Video clips are also available at Sophia, but there is also much more. Over 28,000 tutorials including slideshows and screencasts are available anytime. The site also tailors the information according to the student's learning style, which is determined through a short quiz.

**Quizlet** – [www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com) This is a great study tool. There are thousands of flash cards & quizzes on the site developed by students and teachers from around the world in nearly every subject you can think of. Students can use an already created tool or create one of their own to challenge themselves and others in their class. This is a great vocabulary tool.

We hope you will find these resources helpful. If you would like more information or other ideas how to help your child at home please do not hesitate to contact the office.

**ODYSSEYWARE** is an on-line academic website which provides innovative, 21st century learning opportunities for our students.

*Three Rivers School District/Illinois Valley High School* uses this program for students outside of the regular classroom setting, and for students that need to do make up classes (Credit Retrieval) to be eligible for graduation.

**ODYSSEYWARE (OW)** is web-based, If you have internet access, your student can access his/her assignments, which allows them the ability to complete the courses as fast as he/she needs to, whether they are in the classroom or at home.

To access the **ODYSSEYWARE** web site AFTER he/she is registered, your student will need to go to <https://3rivers.owschools.com>. From there, they will be able to login and access the courses that they are enrolled in.

### Can you qualify for Oregon's new community college grant program?



YES

**Oregon Promise**

New Oregon program could help you with tuition or costs. Apply between Nov. 1, 2015 and March 1, 2016. [www.OregonPromise.org](http://www.OregonPromise.org)

Students that don't qualify are encouraged to visit [www.OregonStudentAid.gov](http://www.OregonStudentAid.gov) to explore other financial aid options.



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