



# Valley Newsletter

September 2018

## Welcome Back—Mr. Anderson

Welcome back staff and students! It's another new year and we're off and running. Our teachers have been diligent about preparing their classrooms and curriculum for another year, and we look forward to working with our returning and new students during the 2018-19 school year.

We have a couple of new faces in the district. Please welcome our new staff to the district:

- \* Deputy West – School Resource Officer
- \* Mrs. Tarchione – 4th grade teacher
- \* Mrs. Lewis – Intervention Specialist teacher
- \* Mrs. Lopez – Paraprofessional

### Valley Schools Recognized

The State Department of Education has published the top performing schools for the 2017-18 school year and our school was recognized as a top performer. Idaho Ed News reported that state education leaders recognized 44 Idaho high schools for posting achievement in the 90th percentile in one of several key academic indicators such as standardized tests, graduation rates, participation in advanced opportunities, and growth in English language proficiency. Valley High School made this list in the areas of graduation rate & growth in English language proficiency. I'd like to thank the entire staff. It takes the coordinated effort of all district employees to make this happen. Your hard work is appreciated.

Valley School District is a Title I school that qualifies for federal funding to improve academic achievement. Our district chooses to offer a Response to Intervention program (RTI) to help our students reach grade-level, or higher, achievement. Response to Intervention (RTI) is a multi-tier approach to the early identification and support of students with learning needs. The RTI process begins with high-quality instruction and universal screening of all children in the general education classroom. Struggling learners are provided with interventions and support to accelerate their rate of learning. These services may be provided by a variety of personnel, including general education teachers, special educators, and paraprofessionals. The staff at Valley School District is committed to this program, as well as others, to help all children. If you are interested in learning more about RTI or Title I programming, and would like to join our Title I Committee, please contact the district office at (208) 829-5333. Our Title I Committee meets in the fall and spring and values input from the community.

## SCHOOL BOARD

ZONE 1: Elizabeth Jones  
ZONE 2: Dusty Standlee  
ZONE 3: Jim Ritchie Jr.  
ZONE 4: Mark Okelberry  
ZONE 5: Kattie Carlquist

## CONTACT NUMBERS

Superintendent: 829-5333  
High School: 829-5353  
Middle School: 829-5961  
Elementary: 829-5961  
Food Service: 829-4107  
Special Service: 829-5961  
Technology Services: 829-4165  
District Fax: 829-5548

## ON THE WEB

[valleyvikings.org](http://valleyvikings.org)

## Deputy Matt West-School Resource Officer

Hello everyone, my name is Sergeant Matt West. I am the new School Resource Officer here at Valley School. I have been employed with the Jerome County Sheriff's Office for over 13 years. I am originally from Jerome and graduated from Jerome High School. I also served in the United States Army for five years. I have lived in Hazelton for about nine years. After being a patrol supervisor for many years, I decided it was time for a change. Sheriff Oppedyk and I thought it was extremely important to have a law enforcement presence at Valley School. We have many goals we want to achieve this school year. Our number one priority is to keep the students and staff safe. The Jerome County Sheriff's Office and the Valley School District intend to do this through education and enhanced security measures. I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome. I am excited to be part of the team and I am looking forward to the challenges that lie ahead.



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## Txt Wire - Mr. Hardy

Valley School District uses Txt Wire to send out messages to parent and students for important information. All numbers were cleared from the system and those interested will need to sign up again to continue to receive notices. We will send out messages periodically, primarily emergency messages such as school closures or bus delays but also other important school announcements. If you are interested in receiving these text messages, please follow these directions: 1. Open up text/messages, 2. To: **91011** (phone may place a - in the number which is fine) , 3. In the message type: **Valley**, 4. Click send.

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## Lumen Logins and Monday Tutoring Days - Mr. Hardy

Parent and student logins for Lumen have been reset. If parents want to be able to log in to Lumen and check student attendance, grades, etc., they need to stop by the school and ask for their login.

We will have Monday tutoring days from 9:00am to Noon on September 10th & 17th. Parents must provide transportation to and from the school on those Mondays.

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## College and Career Readiness—Mrs. Elorrieta

During the upcoming school year, Valley will offer a series of parent-student “College and Career Advising” FAQ nights to address issues related to preparing for life after high school. Topics will include Career Readiness Skills, Paying for College, Applying for Scholarships, Career and Technical Education options, completing FAFSA, Entering the Workforce, and more! Advising is available to all families to address ways to help students, particularly those in grades 8-12, begin to prepare now for the future. Meetings will be held the third Monday of every month (as long as there is interest) from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Mrs. Elorrieta’s room #126. Also on these nights from 7:00 – 8:00 pm, parents and students will be able to research college options or receive individualized help in completing college applications, scholarship essays, FAFSA, resumes, or job applications. Different topics will be addressed each month so come once or every month.

The first meeting will be held on Monday, September 17, 2018. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Toni Elorrieta or Ms. Risa Moffitt at the school 208-829-5353 or email [elorrieta@valley262.org](mailto:elorrieta@valley262.org) or [moffitt@valley262.org](mailto:moffitt@valley262.org).

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## Birthday Calendar

Please support the Valley Community Birthday Calendar fundraiser. Proceeds benefit three great organizations: Booster Club, FCCLA, and SOS. Add your listings (birthdays, anniversaries, and memorials) for 25¢ each, plus purchase a calendar featuring a picture of the graduating class of 2019. Calendars are \$8.00 each. To add your family names and purchase the community calendar, please contact Lana Black at 825-5663 / 420-5390 or Toni Elorrieta at (208) 731-6570. A sample of the listing is included. Thank you for your support.



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## Mrs. Tina Tarchione - 4th Grade Elementary Teacher

I grew up in California and began my teaching career in 1997 when I taught fifth grade. Over the next five years, I taught in three different grades at three different schools and then worked part time tutoring former students. In 2005, my family & I moved from California to Twin Falls, Idaho. During that time, I substitute taught, worked at the Southern Idaho Learning Center, worked in Title 1, and taught kindergarten as well as second grade at Bickel Elementary School in Twin Falls. I have been married for 26 years and have four children.

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## Lion’s Club Vision Screening—Mrs. Richardson

Valley School, in conjunction with the state and local Lion’s Clubs, will provide free vision screening for students in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Screenings will be completed on Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. If you have a child who is in another grade whom you would like to have screened, please contact the school nurse, Gail Richardson (208) 829-5961 prior to the screening dates. Please look for an informational letter, along with an option-to-withhold-screening form, which will be sent home with your child the week before the screening.



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## Fall Dr. Ed. Class 2018—Mrs. Lamun

If you haven't signed up and are still interested ... You maybe still have time to get your permit and join us. But you have to be ready by Wed. Sept. 5th at 6:30 a.m. The fall dr. ed. class will begin at 6:30 a.m. on Wed. Sept. 5. Class will be held from 6:30-7:30 each Tues.-Friday. Monday classes will be held from 8-11 a.m. A parent must attend the first 20 min. of class on the first day. Class will run approx. through Oct. 28. Drives will be scheduled in addition to the class hours. The cost is \$200. You may pay in full or on a payment plan in the high school office. You must pay \$100 to reserve your space in the class and must be paid in full by the end of class. First signed and paid will have the first priority. If we do not get at least 12 we will cancel the class. Your money will be refunded if the class is canceled. You must be 14 ½ before Fri. Aug. 31 to be eligible to take the fall class and to purchase a permit. (People with questions about this may contact me.) Students MUST have purchased their permit BEFORE class on the 6th. You must purchase the permit at the Jerome County Sheriff Office. The cost is \$21.50. Please get a copy of the Idaho Driver's Manual when you get your permit. This is needed for class and I don't provide them. If you do not have your permit by the first day of class you may not be in the class. No Exceptions! Sign up in the high school office and get the necessary info. and paperwork before going to get your permit. Information is also located on the district website. If you have any questions please see or call Mrs. Lamun (208) 431-7973.

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## Booster Club—Michelle Johnson

Another year of parking cars at the Jerome County fair is completed. Thanks so much to all who volunteered their time to make this fundraiser a huge success! It couldn't be done without you... Black Oil, Rob & Jana Sellers, Road Works Ahead, Brian & Jennifer Hardy, Ryon Jarvis, Risa Moffitt, Mason Moffitt, Brian Ayers, Kevin Black, Madyn Black, Austin & Dani Williams, Katie Johnson, Bern & Marcia Mussmann, Justin Johnson, Brenda Johnson, Denise Krieger, Katie Clark, Jenny Lukes, Becki Fenton, Bruce & Ruby Stoker, Sean & Katie Christensen, Troy & Becky Lewis, Jamie Kohtz, Bill Lickley, Holly Hall, Natalie Henry, Ken & Shannon Hodges, Kattie Carlquist, Mike & Rae Waite, Christi Lamun, Jackie Murphy, John & Toni Elorrieta, Heidi Hurtado, Susana Chaires, Hilary Stubbs, Katherine Bernt, Sonia Stone, Bret & Lisa Mangum, Lindsey Christopherson, Monica Lopez, Judy Juarez, Jessica Bean, Dean & Eden Dimond, Maria Gutierrez, Vianey Gutierrez, Trenton Stoker, Brandon Stoker, Shannon & Michelle Taylor and Gary & Michelle Johnson.

We are now beginning a new year and would appreciate your support as a Booster Club member. The cost for membership is \$20 per family. Please support the Valley Viking Booster Club and our students by joining this year. You may turn in membership fee to Michelle Johnson or you may drop it off at the school office during regular school hours. You can also mail it to Valley Booster Club; 2811 Hwy 25, Hazelton, ID 83335. Please make checks payable to the Valley Booster Club. Thank you for your support, and GO VIKINGS!!!

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## Music Notes—Mr. Eiler

You should see how nice the music room looks now! It looks amazing and it's not even finished yet. A huge thank you to administration, maintenance and the community volunteers who have worked all summer on this. I invite anyone who wants to come see the room to visit.

I have a few phone numbers from parents but I would like more to set up a Remind account. This is for communication about music events only. The app is free for your smart phone. I will be setting up the account during Labor Day weekend and I urge you to send your phone number so that we can better communicate with each other.

Students in the POTV Band have been given a class syllabus with a calendar of events. If you haven't seen yours, ask your student. Thank you for allowing me to teach music here at Valley. What a great place to be!