

DELAWARE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL "Where Dreams Become Reality"

CAREER DAY AT DVMS: On Wednesday, October 11, 2023, the Delaware Valley Middle School conducted our **annual Career Day for 8th grade students**. Multiple presenters from various fields of business and industry spoke to students in grade 8 about their experiences and the requirements necessary to attain jobs in each field of employment. Our guests were treated to a **continental breakfast** prepared by our **Parent Teacher Association** in the library before their speaking engagements. After breakfast, speakers were escorted to their specific classroom by their assigned teacher who monitored the students while the speakers lectured.



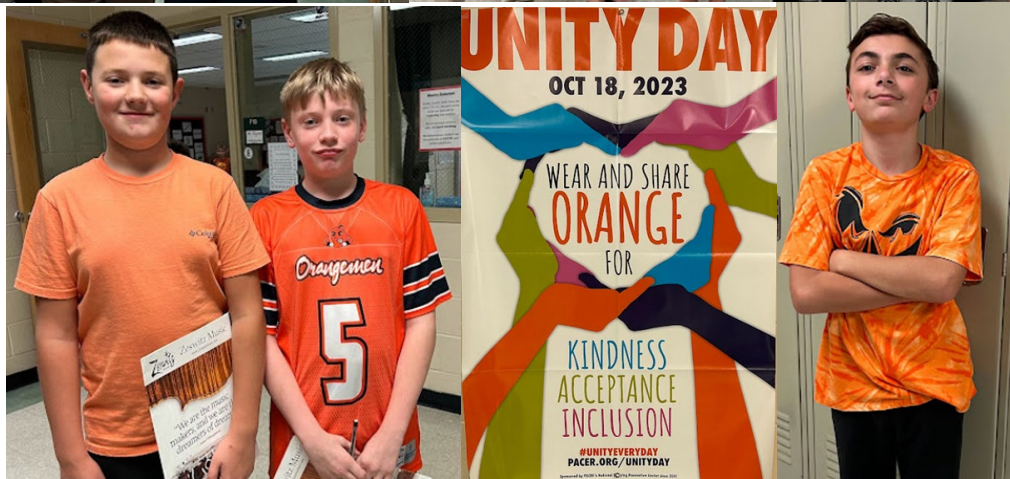
DVMS CAREER DAY SPEAKERS

GETTING A HEAD START: What more fun can it be than working with truly curious students? On Thursday, October 19, **Mrs. Miller, the German teacher at DVMS and DDMS**, got the opportunity to work with the **Gifted Program at DDES**. The students in the program had chosen German as their project and had been using **DuoLingo** and **German films** to further their learning. The time together was spent talking about likes, dislikes, favorite color, a little geography, and of course food from Germany - and all this in the German language. Each student received an authentic German bag filled with little German-themed presents.



FUTURE GERMAN STUDENTS

BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH: Together against bullying. UNITED for **kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.** That is the message for **Unity Day!** On Wednesday October 18th, DVMS came together and wore **orange** to show our support for anti-bullying and accepting one another. We participated in this national initiative to bring to our school the message that together we can do more, be more and are able to be respectful of differences and be inclusive of all. **#1DV**



POSTERIZED: DVMS also participated in the **#1DV Anti Bullying Poster Contest.** Our winners were: in **3rd place Taryn Kaylor and Caitlyn Feeley,** **2nd place Kendall Eckert** and in **1st place, Lola Tompkins.** Congratulations to our winners.



Taryn Kaylor, Caitlyn Feeley, Kendall Eckert, Lola Tompkins

BE DRUG FREE: DVMS JRSASA kicked off **Red Ribbon Week**, October 23-October 31 with faculty and staff **wearing red** as a symbol to raise awareness of the destruction caused by drugs. We ended the week with everyone receiving red pencils for drug prevention awareness. JRSASA club members decorated DVMS with Red Ribbons as a symbol of intolerance to drugs as we joined the National Red Ribbon campaign to help create a drug free America. Announcements were read all week regarding healthy choices and the importance of being aware and informed. Students, faculty, and staff participated in spirit filled days chosen by JRSASA student members to celebrate this year's theme, *Be Kind to Your Mind, Live Drug Free*.



THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT: Grade 6 **math teacher, Lindsay Gonzalez**, ran a Travel Field Hockey program through DV-Ace. A group of 6th grade girls joined the team, and they did amazing! **Scarlett Coleman** won a dribble knockout competition and an MVP award for one session. **Olivia Pitrelli** also won an MVP award for one session. The girls who joined were **Kelsey Hunt, Cassidy Lentoni, Olivia Tejada, Olivia Pitrelli** and **Scarlett Coleman**. The girls learned fundamental field hockey skills and got to put them to the test against Wallenpaupack's field hockey team. The team picked up many wins against the Wallenpaupack teams and improved each day! Way to go DVMS Field Hockey Warriors!



HAPPY HALLOWEEN: On Thursday, October 26, students attended a **Halloween Costume Dance**. This event was extremely fun with approximately **300 students** in attendance. There were so many outstanding and creative costumes. Our **PTA** supplied some delicious holiday treats, the **DJ** kept the students moving on the floor to a great selection of music! Thank you to the parents of the PTA for coordinating the snacks, and **Mrs. Gandolfo**, Student Class Advisor, and the **student council representatives** for making this happen. Additionally, many **middle school teachers** stayed to chaperone and participated in the fun!



HALLOWEEN SPIRIT AT DVMS

OCTOBER NEW STAFF MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

**Mrs. Moraski, Special Education Teacher
(No Photo)**

What made you decide to become a teacher?

I became a teacher because when I was a child I struggled academically, because of a troubled home life. I wanted to be there to help students that require more support so that they can become UNSTOPPABLE in life.

What do you love most about teaching?

I love my student's individuality.

What do you enjoy doing in your leisure time?

I love sitting by the lake, reading, and rehabbing old furniture.

Who is your best role model and why?

My role model is my youngest son, he has been through many adversities in his short life, but he perseveres daily with lots of love and a smile.

OCTOBER TEACHER OF THE MONTH



Ms. Ripa, Math Teacher

OCTOBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH NOMINEES

**Claire Barcia
Olivia Castro
Isabella Waldron
Abigail Livingston
Colin O'Connor**

**Zoe Bocaletti
Patty Chen
Colin Zellmer
Ayla Martine**

**Andrew Brigante
Kayla Snyder
Trent Kaylor
Gianna Nelson**

**Kyle Brown
Patrick Tamplin
Roger Lake
Adam Pol**

OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Josh Anderson, Jack Kahmar, Allyson Masone, Sydney Dutkus, Liam Reeve

NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

On Tuesday, November 21 and Wednesday, November 22 school will be dismissed at the times listed below. Teacher conferences are scheduled for Tuesday afternoon and early evening. Wednesday afternoon school will be dismissing for Fall Recess at 11:15. School **breakfast and lunches will NOT be served on Tuesday or Wednesday.**

November 7	Quarter 1 Report Cards Go Home
November 10	Veterans Day Assembly
November 17-19	DVMS Drama Production, <i>Beauty & the Beast Jr</i> , Friday & Saturday 7:00PM, Sunday 2:00PM All performances are in the Delaware Valley High School Auditorium
November 21	½ Day for Students, Dismissal 11:15AM, Activity/Late bus departs 12:45PM DVMS Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:30 – 3:30, 4:30 – 7:30PM Zoom Links will be provided by teachers on Schoology, afternoon session only
November 22	½ Day for Students, Dismissal 11:15AM, Activity/Late bus departs 1:15PM
November 23-27	School Closed, Thanksgiving Recess, Happy Thanksgiving
November 29	National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 6:30 DVHS Auditorium

The first quarter is complete, and we are already moving through the first few weeks of quarter 2. The end of a marking period always provides for the opportunity to individually reflect on how well you have done and what improvements can be made. Our administrative and teaching staff will do the same. It is a time to celebrate successes and to rethink strategies that may have proven less successful than anticipated. If you have any concerns or questions, please reach out to your child's teachers for academic assistance or his/her guidance counselors and our social worker if in need of any assistance.

November is a fantastic month with highlights including our Veterans Day and Grandparents Day celebrations. Additionally, will be recognizing our National Junior Honor Society members. Do not forget, the drama students will be kicking off a weekend of performances beginning on Friday evening, November 17th, the weekend before Thanksgiving break. This year's play is *Beauty & the Beast Jr*.

Most importantly, please plan to take some time over the Thanksgiving holiday to enjoy and genuinely appreciate your time with family and friends. This is the beginning of the hectic holiday season so, recharging yourself is also highly recommended. Thanks for all that is being done to make Delaware Valley Middle School a remarkable place to learn and place to be! Have a wonderful month!

Sincerely,

Pete Ioppolo, Ed. D.
Principal