

DELAWARE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
"Where Dreams Become Reality"

THANK YOU, SERVICE MEMBERS: Under the supervision of **social studies teacher, Mr. Morley** and the **social studies department** did an outstanding job coordinating this year's veterans' program. Over **twenty veterans** were celebrated by students and staff during an assembly held on Friday, November 10, 2023. All of this great nation's Armed Forces were highlighted and praised for the current and past sacrifices made for all of us.



Congratulations & Thank You Veterans

MUSIC NEWS: The **DVMS Band, Chorus, and Orchestra** continue to work in preparation for their upcoming concerts. The **7th & 8th Grade Concert** will be held on **December 12th** with a snow date of December 13th. The **6th Grade Concert** will be held on **December 19th** with a snow date of December 20th. The **free concerts** will occur in the **DVHS Auditorium at 6:30PM**. Also, the **DVMS Chorus** sang a few songs for the grandparents during **Grandparents Day** & the **DV Marching Band** concluded another successful season of field show presentations and cheering on the Warrior football team.

COOKING UP SOME FUN: French 1 students put their chef hats on to explore some French cuisine. Students cooked a Moroccan couscous and chicken dish, a traditional crème brûlée, and chocolate soufflé. All the dishes were delicious, and the students did an excellent job.



Lucas Eira

THIS WAS BEAUTIFULLY DONE: Over the weekend of November 17th, the **DVMS Drama** Production provided audiences with three outstanding performances of *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* Whether a member of the **stage and pit music crews** or an actress or actor, these students all showcased their skills and electrified the audience. Congratulations to **Ms. Tallo, director**, and **pit band leader Mrs. Reece** for a wonderful production.



DVMS Performs *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*

CONTRIBUTING TO THE CAUSE: Delaware Valley Middle School students and staff participated in the annual Thanksgiving food drive. We were able to provide local families with some support hoping to make their Thanksgiving holiday a bit more enjoyable.

MEETING OUR PARENTS: Parent/teacher conferences were held in the afternoon and early evening of November 21st, 2023. During the afternoon session, parents and teachers met virtually to discuss how each child is doing in class and to address any potential concerns. During the evening sessions, parents came to the school to meet directly with teachers for discussions.

THE GRANDEST DAY OF ALL: Grandparents Day has returned to DVMS! November 23, 2022, marked the **14th** year for this incredible event. After a two-year hiatus, the morning could not have been filled with greater joy. **170 grandparents** came to celebrate with **97 students**. The cafeteria was nicely decorated with table centerpieces created by **Mrs. Gandolfo and her art students**. Guests were greeted by our **student ambassadors**, and upon entering the cafeteria were serenaded by **piano players** and songs from our **chorus**. A light breakfast was provided by the **food service staff** and the **Warrior Café**. Portraits of grandparents and students were taken. The printed copies will be distributed to students (one for the grandparents and one for the students) as a reminder of how special the morning was. This was an outstanding job by everyone involved and remains one of the best days of the year!



AWESOME!!!!



SWEET!!!



WHAT A MORNING!



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!!!!

NEW MEMBERS JOIN THE SOCIETY: The **National Junior Honor Society** held their induction ceremony on the evening of November 29, 2023. This highly prestigious organization added **35** new members to the group. **Guest speaker, Delaware Valley Middle School District Assistant Principal Nathan Kryptavich**, shared with families and friends the many significant contributions of leadership that have been demonstrated throughout our school and within our community. Club advisor **Mrs. Gandolfo** continues to be one of our school's greatest contributors toward co-curricular activities and student-run events.



Brooke Nielson

Nathan Kryptavich



DVMS NJHS CEREMONY

CONGRATULATIONS NJHS 2022-23 INDUCTED MEMBERS

**Theo Balu
Corey Cook
Regan Donnelly
Lucy Gonet
Aila Jones
Anthony Lordi
Adeline Murphy
Colin O'Connor
Joni Prinzing**

**Clare Barcia
Emily Davis
Grace Eby
Addison Hamilton
Adele Kahmar
Gabriella Mady
Kaitlin Murphy
Leif-Erik Orby
Amaya Ruiz
Colin Zellmer**

**Gabriella Buzalski
Angelo Cosentino
Helaina Fitzpatrick
Angela Golobrodskiy
Gianna Lake
Dean Mieczkowski
Gianna Nielson
Sawyer Outwater
Christian Sell**

**Olivia Castro
Eva DeLauro
Colton Eckert
William Jenkins
Roger Lake
Tess Marotta
Brooke Nielson
Addison Pousley
Camryn Yakupcin
Katelyn Travis**

NEW TEACHER HIGHLIGHTS



Casey Wilson, Special Education Teacher

What made you decide to become a teacher?

As a child, I had always dreamed of becoming a teacher. Even though I initially followed a different path of study, it was not long before I was drawn back to the field of education.

What do you love most about teaching?

I love working with students and guiding them through new learning experiences. It is so rewarding to witness the "lightbulb moments" when students "get it" and celebrate both big and small accomplishments with them. Most of all, I love getting to know the individual personalities, interests, and strengths of all of my students.

What do you enjoy doing in your leisure time?

In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my family, reading, or watching classic movies. I also enjoy spending time antiquing and in the outdoors gardening, hiking, or by the water.

Who is your best role model and why?

The biggest role model in my life has been my mother. She taught me about kindness, compassion, and the importance of family. She always supported me and helped me understand that I could achieve anything I set my heart on through perseverance and hard work.

Please add any additional information you would like to share with our community. I am a volunteer and facilitator at GAIT Therapeutic Riding Center.

NOVEMBER TEACHER OF THE MONTH



Mrs. Gilhooley, Science Teacher

NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH NOMINEES

Benjamin Almedia
Emily Covart
Aubrie Meyers
Mikhei Rosario
Beau Tannenbaum

Malakai Anthony
Eva DiGiovanna
Gianna Neilson
Kayla Snyder

Angelo Cosentino
Gina MacKeigan
Brianna Rebman
Codie Ross

Patty Chen
Cole Mann
Adam Pol
Liam Quill

NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Jason Leslie, Zoe Bocaletti, Hunter Cayot, Camryn Yakupcin, Silas St. John

DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

December 12 Grades 7 & 8 Band, Chorus, Orchestra Concert, HS Auditorium 6:30PM
(Snow Date, December 8)
December 19 Grade 6 Band, Chorus, Orchestra Concert, HS Auditorium 6:30PM
(Snow Date, December 20)
December 25 – January 1 Schools Closed, “Winter Recess”
January 2 Act 80 Day/No School for Students

****Please be reminded that school will resume on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023****

The holiday season is upon us! As we move into December, let us hope for continued nice weather so we may get as many school days in as possible before our long winter break. While still in school, please make every effort to achieve your best academically. Continue working hard and plan to attend after school tutoring as necessary. Good luck to all of our coaches and club advisors as we begin the winter season. Parents, please encourage your children to get involved.

I would like to extend a very happy and healthy holiday season to all! Enjoy the time off with your family and friends! It is very well-deserved!

Sincerely,

Pete Ioppolo, Ed. D.
Principal